

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Public Lands
(*Nevada Revised Statutes 218.5363*)

Date and Time of Meeting: Thursday, August 24, 2006
8 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Bristlecone Convention Center
Juniper and Sage Rooms
150 Sixth Street
Ely, Nevada

Note: Minutes of this meeting will be produced in summary format. Please provide the secretary with electronic or written copies of testimony and visual presentations if you wish to have complete versions included as exhibits with the minutes.

A G E N D A

- I. Opening Remarks and Introductions
- *II. Approval of the “Summary Minutes and Action Report” of the Meetings Held on April 28, 2006, in Battle Mountain, Nevada, and on May 26, 2006, in Mesquite, Nevada
- *III. Update of Public Lands Issues in Central and Eastern Nevada
 - A. Welcoming Remarks and Overview of Public Lands and Natural Resource Issues in White Pine County
Brent Eldridge, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, White Pine County
 - B. Review of Public Lands and Natural Resource Issues in Eureka County
Ken Benson, Member, Board of County Commissioners, Eureka County
Jim Baumann, Chairman, Eureka County Natural Resources Advisory Commission
 - C. Overview of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Planning Efforts and Activities in Eastern Nevada
Jeff Weeks, Assistant Field Manager, Ely Field Office, BLM, United States Department of the Interior
 - D. Update of U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Activities and Planning Efforts in Eastern Nevada
Patricia Irwin, District Ranger, Ely Ranger District, USFS, United States Department of Agriculture
- *IV. Overview of the Activities and Programs of the Eastern Nevada Landscape Coalition (ENLC)
John Hiatt, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, ENLC
- *V. Update on the Programs and Activities of the State Department of Agriculture (SDA)
Don Henderson, Director, SDA

- *VI. Overview of Various Weed-Related Legislative Proposals and Review of Possible Legislative Action on Noxious Weed Abatement Funding
 - Robert E. Wilson, Extension Educator, Nevada Cooperative Extension, Ely Office
 - Ken Thompson, Advisor to the Tonopah Conservation District
 - Dawn Rafferty, Noxious Weed Program Coordinator, SDA
 - Tina Mudd, Cooperative Weed Management Area and Weed Free Forage Program Coordinator, SDA
 - Tom Fransway, Vice Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Humboldt County
 - Brad Schultz, Extension Educator, Nevada Cooperative Extension, Winnemucca Office

- *VII. Discussion of Colorado River Commission (CRC) Land Issues, the Sale of Land Near Laughlin, and the Use of Money Generated from Land Sold by the CRC
 - James D. Salo, Manager, Regulatory and Government Affairs, CRC

- *VIII. Discussion Regarding the White Pine County Conservation, Recreation, and Development Act of 2006 (“White Pine County Lands Bill”)
 - A. Overview of the Development of the White Pine County Lands Bill and Prospects for Future County Lands Bills in Nevada
 - Kevin Kirkeby, Rural Coordinator, Office of U.S. Senator John Ensign

 - B. Discussion and Suggestions Concerning Administrative and Legislative Proposals for Off-Highway Vehicle Trails and Area Development
 - Karen Boeger, Concerned Citizen Representative(s), Various Sportsmen’s and Landowner Organizations

 - C. Discussion and Comments on the White Pine County Lands Bill From the Perspective of Nevada’s Natural Resource Agencies
 - Pamela B. Wilcox, Administrator, Division of State Lands, State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

IX. Public Comments

*X. WORK SESSION

Committee Discussion and Final Recommendations

Note: During this portion of the meeting, Committee members will discuss and take final action on certain recommendations proposed at this and other meetings held during the 2005-2006 legislative interim. These proposals are outlined in a document titled “[Work Session Document](#)” from which the members will be working when considering final recommendations. A copy of the Work Session Document may be obtained from Michael J. Stewart, Committee Staff Director, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, Carson City; telephone: (775) 684-6825 (toll-free from Las Vegas: 486-2626; toll-free from other areas of Nevada: 1-800-992-0973) or by connecting to the Web page for Nevada’s Legislative Committee on Public Lands at: <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/73rd/Interim/StatCom/Lands/>. The Work Session Document will be available for dissemination on or after Friday, August 18, 2006. Please note the Chairman may seek participation from certain audience members and interested persons during the discussion of the Work Session Document to obtain further background information and details concerning items in the document.

XI. Final Comments and Adjournment

*Denotes items on which the Committee may take action.

Note: We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please notify the Research Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, in writing, at the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701-4747, or call Gayle Nadeau at (775) 684-6825 as soon as possible.

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