MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Legislative Committee on Public Lands

(Nevada Revised Statutes 218.5363)

Date and Time of Meeting: Wednesday, December 17, 2003

9:30 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Winnemucca Convention Center

West Hall

50 West Winnemucca Boulevard

Winnemucca, 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.

AGENDA

- I. Opening Remarks and Introductions
- *II. Approval of the "Summary Minutes and Action Report" of the Meeting Held on October 20, 2003, in Ely, Nevada
- *III. Reports to Committee:
 - *A. Update of Public Lands Issues in Humboldt County and North Central Nevada:
 - 1. Review of Public Lands and Natural Resource Issues in Humboldt County Dan Cassinelli, Chairman, Humboldt County Board of Commissioners
 - 2. Update of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Planning Efforts in the Winnemucca Field District

Terry Reed, Field Manager, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM, United States Department of the Interior (DOI)

3. Overview of United States Forest Service (USFS) Activities in the Santa Rosa Ranger District

Jose Noriega, District Ranger, Santa Rosa Ranger District, USFS, United States Department of Agriculture

*B. Discussion of Possible Acquisition of Private Land in Clear Water Canyon Under the Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act of 1998

Dr. Robert Parlasca, Owner, Black Elk Ranch

Mike L. Baughman, Ph.D., President, Intertech Services Corporation

*C. Status Report on the Black Rock Desert-High Rock Canyon Emigrant Trails National Conservation Area and Associated Wilderness

Terry Reed, Field Manager, Winnemucca Field Office, BLM, DOI

- *D. Review of Northern Nevada Water Issues:
 - 1. General Overview of Water Issues and Role of the State Engineer
 Hugh Ricci, State Engineer, Division of Water Resources, State
 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (SDCNR)
 - 2. Overview of Activities and Planning Efforts of the Humboldt River Basin Water Authority (HRBWA)

Paul Miller, Chairman, HRBWA

Mike L. Baughman, Contract Executive Director, HRBWA

3. Update of United States Geological Survey (USGS) Studies of the Humboldt River Basin

Russ Plume, Hydrologist and Project Chief, Humboldt River Basin

Assessment, USGS

- *E. Update of Current Activities Regarding the Issuance of Stockwater Permits in Nevada and Review of Nevada Law Concerning Stockwater Permits Hugh Ricci, State Engineer, Division of Water Resources, SDCNR C. Joseph Guild III, Attorney at Law
- *F. General Review and Discussion of Mining Issues in Nevada: Economic Overview, Exploration, Permitting, Bonding, Reclamation, Federal Legislation, Abandoned Mine Lands, Millsite Issues, Water Usage, and Other Mining Topics

Russ Fields, President, Nevada Mining Association

Alan R. Coyner, Administrator, Division of Minerals, Nevada's Commission on Mineral Resources

Del Fortner, Deputy State Director for Minerals, Nevada, BLM
Dave Gaskin, Chief, Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation, Nevada's
Division of Environmental Protection, SDCNR

*G. Status Report on Wild Horses and Burros in Nevada Robert V. Abbey, State Director, BLM, Nevada Catherine Barcomb, Administrator, Nevada's Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses, SDCNR

- IV. Public Comments
- *V. Possible Work Session on Preceding Agenda Items
- *Denotes items on which the committee may take action.

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