AGRICULTURE

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Hickey Vice Chairman Price Mr. Chaney Mr. Fielding Mr. Getto Mr. Marvel Mr. Tanner

MEMBERS EXCUSED

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GUESTS PRESENT

Thomas W. Ballow, State Department of Agriculture Phillip C. Martinelli, State Department of Agriculture Dave Conover, Nevada Farm Bureau Dallas Byington, Nevada Cattlemen's Association

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hickey at 5 p.m.

<u>A.B. 406</u> - Places financial responsibility for removing noxious weeds on federal land on federal agency controlling the land.

Mr. Martinelli said the purpose of this bill was to eliminate the requirement that counties are responsible for removing noxious weeds on federal lands. Under A.B. 406, the federal agency having control of the land would assume the financial responsibility for weed control.

In response to questions by Mr. Tanner, Mr. Martinelli said that prior approval for such weed removal is obtained from the federal agencies and there has been no problem in collecting from them. Mr. Marvel asked if there was a similar program for the control of rodents. Mr. Martinelli said that no poison or chemicals were permitted on federal lands so there was no such program.

## <u>A.B. 407</u> - Extends authority of executive director of state department of agriculture to adopt procedures for collection of fees.

According to Mr. Martinelli, this is merely a housekeeping bill. Title 51 has been added to give the State Department of Agriculture authority to collect fees for certain services such as recheck of a scale. These services have been performed under 581.075 but adding Title 51 would remove all grey areas.

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A.B. 408 - Repeals special provision regarding publication of regulations of state department of agriculture.

Mr. Martinelli said this bill would remove the necessity to publish rules or regulations which were to be adopted by the department in the newspaper. The department felt they were covered under the Administrative Procedures Act, Sec. 233B, which did not require such publication.

Mr. Dallas Byington, representing the Nevada Cattlemen's Association, appeared in opposition to <u>A.B. 408</u>. He felt it was incumbent upon the Department of Agriculture to inform the farmers of changes which would affect their operations. Mr. Byington explained that many farmers and ranchers do not read the legal notices but those who do alert their neighbors regarding matters of consequence. He did not feel it was a burden upon the department to publish these notices.

Mr. Getto asked if a brief summary of any proposal could be published rather than the entire proposal. Mr. Byington said this would be agreeable as any notice published would not have to be verbatim. The Cattlemen's Association only opposes the total repeal of the section regarding advertising.

In answer to Mr. Getto's question, Mr. Martinelli explained the procedures necessary under the Administrative Procedures Act which requires the notice to be posted in a public place and sent to people who have requested the notices. Mr. Getto expressed the opinion that the public should be notified. Mr. Martinello told Mr. Price that he estimated \$150 had been spent for publishing such notices in the past year.

A.B. 409 - Increases beef promotion tax.

Mr. Byington urged the adoption of A.B. 409 which increases the beef promotion tax from .05¢ to .10¢. He referred to the referendum of 2 years ago in which the beef tax was passed by a 82% vote and said that another national referendum would be coming up in about 6 months. He told Mr. Getto that the tax was collected by the Department of Agriculture and once a year it is paid to the National Lifestock and Meat Board. It is then used out of the board's general fund for advertising, research, promotion and various items.

Chairman Hickey closed the hearing on the above bills and asked committee approval to introduce a bill which makes an appropriation for the construction of an agricultural research laboratory in Pahrump Valley. This laboratory would cost approximately \$120,000 and operational costs are already budgeted. The bill would be referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

Mr. Fielding moved that the committee introduce the bill. Seconded by Mr. Tanner and carried.



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Chairman Hickey requested committee approval to introduce an amendment to a bill dealing with the North Las Vegas charter and extending the transportation terminals.

Mr. Tanner moved that the committee introduce the amendment. Seconded by Mr. Getto and carried.

Chairman Hickey announced that the BLM would make a presentation at the next committee meeting on March 14, 1979, on the program for the Caliente Planning Unit. He further announced a meeting of the Council of State Governments, Western Office, on March 23 and 24 in Sacramento.

The itinerary for the committee's annual trip to Winnemucca and Elko on March 30 and 31 was discussed.

Mr. Tom Ballow discussed the problem of the Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, filing with the state water agency for water lands. The Federal Government is actually filing on water rights that ranchers have been using over the past century. The State Board of Agriculture is opposing these filings but it is a very cumbersome procedure as each filing must be opposed individually. A copy of these filings is attached as <u>Exhibit A</u>. Chairman Hickey asked Mr. Getto and Mr. Marvel to work with Mr. Ballow, Roland Westergard and whoever else necessary to ascertain what positive action could be taken in regard to this matter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Dunne Assembly Attache

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| ý10/79         | 36406         | Pershing  | Nev. State Div. of Parks<br>Dept. of Cons & Nat Res.            |                   | .067    | Rec & Dom                        |            | 18    | 30N              | 33È      |
| <i>`</i> 10/79 | 364 <b>07</b> | Humboldt  | Geoffrey V, Cecchi,<br>N. Keith Kellison, &<br>Richard J. Short | Underground       | 2.0     | Quasi-mun & Dom                  |            | 28    | 35N              | 37E      |
| 10/79          | 36408         | Humboldt  | Winnemucca-Humboldt<br>Airport Board                            | Underground       | 6.0     | Environmental '<br>Stabilization |            | 22    | 35N              | 37E      |
| 10/79          | 36409         | Humboldt  | Winnemucca-Humboldt<br>Airport Board                            | Underground       | 1.0     | Quasi-mun                        |            | 22    | 35N .            | 37E      |
| 10/79          | 36410         | Eureka    | Mt. Hope Mines, Inc.  | Underground       | 1.0     | Min, Mil, & Dom                  |            | 18 .  | ,22N             | 52E      |
| <b>⊥</b> ,79   | 36411         | Elko      | U.D. Dept. of IntBIM  | Underground       | .005    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    | ,          | 34    | 39N              | 53E      |
| 11/79          | 36412         | Eureka    | U.S. Dept. of IntBIM  | Unnamed Spring    | .005    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 12    | 29N              | 50E      |
| 11/79          | 36413         | Elko      | U.S. Dept. of IntBIM  | Mangnuson Spring  | .002    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 6     | <b>3</b> 6N .    | 56E      |
| 11/79          | 36414         | Elko      | U.S. Dept. of IntBLM  | Underground       | .006    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 7     | 29N              | 63B .    |
| 11/79          | 36415         | Elko      | U.S. Dept. of IntBIM  | Highland Spring   | 002     | Lvstk & Wldlf                    | <b>* :</b> | 25    | 36N              | 55E      |
| 11/79          | 36416         | Elko      | U.S. Dept. of IntBLM  | Unnamed Spring    | .001    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 36    | 42N              | 51E      |
| 11/79          | 36417         | Elko ·    | U.S. Dept. of IntBLM  | Unnamed Spring    | .03     | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 25    | 44N              | 61E      |
| '11/79         | 36418         | Elko      | U.S. Dept. of IntBLM  | Unnamed Spring    | .003    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 11    | 34N              | 54e      |
| . 79           | 36419         | Elko      | U.S. Dept. of IntBIM  | Underground       | .005    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 22    | 30N              | 565      |
| 11/79          | 36420         | Elko      | U.S. Dept. of IntBLM  | _Underground      | .002    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 3     | 39N              | 52E .    |
| 11/79          | 36421         | Eureka    | U.S. Dept. of IntBLM  | _Two Tank Spring  | .002    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    | , •        | 4     | 30N              | 50E      |
| 11/79          | 36422         | Elko      | U.S. Dept. of IntBIM  | Underground       | .012    | Lvstk & Wldlf                    |            | 8     | 30N              | .60E ··· |
| 11/79          | 36423         | Clark     | Mr. & Mrs. Elmer J.<br>Bichsel                                  | L.V. Valley Basin | .003094 | Quasi-mun                        |            | 15    | 225              | 60E      |
| 15/79          | 36424         | Humboldt. | Orville Floyd Lynch   | Underground       | .02     | Quasi-mun                        |            | 26    | 36N              | 37E .    |
| 15/79          | 36425         | Douglas   | William and Debbie<br>Warr <u>i</u> ner                         | Underground       | 2.7     | Irr                              | 80         | 23    | 12N .            | 19E      |
| 15/79          | 36426         | Clark     | Vera Grace Crowe  | Underground       | 2.7     | Irr & Dom                        | 150+       | 23    | <sup>*</sup> 245 | 636      |

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| ÷ | 1/15/79 | 36450         | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground                             | 1.28   | Irr & Dom                          |          | 31         | 3s          | 55E   |
| ; | 1/15/79 | 36451         | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground                             | 4.02   | Irr & Dom                          |          | 28         | 3s -        | 555 · |
| ļ | 1/15/79 | 36452         | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground                             | .3     | Irr & Dom                          |          | 33         | 3s          | 55E   |
|   | 1/15/79 | 36453         | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground .                           | 2.01   | Irr                                |          | 33         | 35          | 55E   |
|   | 1/15/79 | 36454         | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground .                           | 1.0    | Irr & Dom                          |          | 5          | 45          | '55E  |
|   | 1/15/79 | 36455         | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground                             | 2.39   | Irr ·                              |          | 5          | 4S          | 55E.  |
|   | 1/15/79 | 36456         | Lincoln    | Melvin Brown                | Underground                             | .2     | Irr &.Dom                          |          | S          | 45          | 55E   |
| 1 | 97 1/1  | 36457         | Lincoln .  | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground                             | .17    | Irr                                |          | 5          | 45          | 55E   |
|   | 1/15/79 | 36458 ·       | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground                             | 2.1    | Irr                                | <i>,</i> | 28         | 35 .        | 55E   |
| , | 1/15/79 | 36459         | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground                             | 2.01   | Irr                                |          | 33         | 35          | 55E,  |
| - | 1/15/79 | 36460         | Lincoln    | Nevada Farms, Inc.          | Underground                             | 2.1    | Irr & Dom                          |          | 33         | · 3S        | 55E   |
|   | 1/15/79 | 36461         | Ŋуө        | Lee Ward Bolman             | Upper Indian Sprgs.                     | . 1.0  | Min & Dom                          |          | 26         | 115 ·       | 46E   |
| • | 1/15/79 | 36462         | Nye        | Lee Ward Bolman             | Ray Spring                              | :5     | Min & Dom                          |          | 34         | 115         | 46E   |
|   | 1/15/79 | 36463         | <b>Nye</b> | Lee Ward Bolman             | Ward Spring                             | 2.0    | Min &Dom                           |          | 5          | 12S         | 4 CFI |
|   | 1/16/79 | 36464         | Elko       | City of Elko                | Sewage' Trmt.<br>Plnt. Efflu <b>ent</b> | 3.25   | Irr 330                            | to 450   | 21 .       | 34N         | 55E   |
|   | 1/: 69  | 36465         | Douglas    | Steve and Gloria<br>Cogorno | Underground                             | 1.0    | Dom-Quasi-mun                      |          | 27         | 14N .       | 20E   |
|   | 1/16/79 | 36466         | Churchill  | Monte W. Loyd               | Underground                             | 1.6    | Irr & Dom                          |          | 9          | 23N         | 40E   |
|   | 1/16/79 | 36467         | Churchill  | Monte W. Loyd               | Underground                             | 16.2   | Irr & Dom                          | 960      | 9          | 23N .       | 40E-  |
|   | 1/16/79 | 36468         | Churchill  | Monte W. Loyd               | Underground                             | 16.2   | Irr & Dom                          | 960 .    | 8          | 23N         | 40E   |
|   | 1/16/79 | 36469         | Churchill  | Monte W. Loyd               | Underground                             | 16.2   | Power                              |          | 9          | 23N .       | 10E   |
|   | 1/16/79 | 36470         | Clark      | George Riess                | Underground                             | 5.4    | Irr & Dom                          | 640      | 34         | 258         | 64E   |
| ļ | 1/16/79 | 36471         | Clark      | Martha Riess                | Underground                             | 5.4    | Irr & Dom                          | 640      | 34         | 255         | 64E   |
|   | 1/16/79 | 36472         | Humboldt   | U.S. Dept. Int.,BIM         | Unnamed Spring                          | .0007  | Aqua. Hab.,Fish,<br>Widlf. & Stock |          |            | • .         |       |

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|     | /16, 79 | 36473    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept. Int., BKM | Unnamed Spring                     | .0007  | λqua. Habitat, ]<br>Wldlf & Stock   | Fish,      | 23        | 40n                | 24E         |
|     | /1`/79  | 36474    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept. Int., BLM | Unnamed Spring                     | .01    | Àqua. Habitat, 1<br>Wldlf & Stock   | Fish,      | 23        | · 40N              | 24È         |
|     | /16/79  | 36475    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept, Int., BLM | Unnamed Spring                     | .004   | λqua. Habitat, I<br>Wldlf & Stock   | Fish,      | 23        | 40N                | 24E         |
|     | /16/79  | 36476    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept. Int., BLM | Unnamed Spring                     | .0009  | Aqua Habitat, F:<br>Wldlf & Stock   | ish,       | 13        | 40N                | 24B         |
|     | /16/79  | 36477    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept. Int., BIM | Unnamed Spring                     | .0004  | Aqua, Habitat, H<br>Wldlf & Stock   | Fish,      | <b>13</b> | 40N                | 24E         |
| ۲ ۲ | /1.,79  | 36478    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept. Int., BIM | _ Leonard Lake                     | •      | Stkwtr, Wldlf w<br>Fishery & Recrea |            | 18        | 43N                | .295        |
| HI  | /16/79  | 36479    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept, Int., BLM | Blue Lakes                         | •      | Fish, Rec, Stck<br>Wldlf Water      | wtr,       | 1         | 44 N               | 28E 1       |
| BIT | /16/79  | 36480    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept. Int., BIM | Mahogamy Creek +<br>Hdwtrs & Tribs | 1.48   | Fish, Stckwtr, N<br>Wtr, & Rec      | wldlf ·    | . 1       | 41N                | 26E         |
| A   | /16/79  | 36481    | Humboldt | U.S. Dept. Int., BLM | Lone Willow Sprg.                  | .0065  | Stck Wtr & Wldl                     | f Wtr      | 1         | 46N                | 41E         |
| 1   | /16/79  | 36482    | Lander   | U.S. Dept. Int., BLM | Gravel Pit Sprg.                   | .005   | Livestock & Wld                     | lf         | 34        | 28N                | 41E:        |
|     | /16/79  | 36483    | Nye      | U.S. Dept. Int., BLM | Wildcat Spring                     | .02    | Livestock & Wld                     | 1 <i>f</i> | 35        | 8N                 | 47E         |
| 1   | /16/79  | 36484    | Lander   | U.S. Dept. Int., BLM | Basin Spring                       | .01    | Livestock & Wld                     | lf         | 16        | 2713               | 41E .       |
|     | /16/79  | 36485    | Lander   | U.S. Dept. Int., BLM | Mill Spring                        | .02    | Livestock & Wld                     | lf         | 26        | 32N                | 42E         |
|     | /16/79  | 36486    | Nуе      | U.S. Dept. Int., BIM | North 6 Mile Sprg.                 | .01    | Stock wtr & Wld                     | 1£         | 35        | 10N                | 50E         |
|     | /16/79  | 36487    | Nye      | U.S. Dept. Int., BLM | Clover Spring                      | .01    | Livestock & Wld                     | 1£         | 20        | 10N .              | 49 <b>3</b> |
|     | ./17/79 | 36488    | Lincoln  | Lee A. Pearson       | Underground                        | 5.4    | Irr & Dom                           | 320        | 4         | 4.N                | 69E .       |
|     | /17/79  | 36489    | Lincoln  | Felica Ward Pearson  | Underground                        | 5.4    | Irr & Dom                           | 320        | 10        | 4N                 | 69E         |
|     | /17/79  | 36490    | Lander   | Altamira Farms       | Underground                        | 4.0    | Irr & Dom                           |            | 23        | 25N                | 42E         |
|     | ./17/79 | 36491    | Lander   | Harvey Pletcher      | Underground                        | 2.864  | Irr & Dom                           |            | 32        | 26N                | 43E         |
|     | /17/79  | 36492    | Elko     | Frank, Phyllis, and  | Underground                        | 1.5    | Irr                                 | 90         | 11 .      | 35N                | 58E         |

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