

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

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

Date and Time of Meeting: Friday, March 26, 2004
9 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Western Heritage Interpretive Center
Bartley Ranch Regional Park
6000 Bartley Ranch Road
Reno, 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 Meeting Held on January 22, 2004, in Caliente, Nevada
- *III. Reports to Committee:
 - *A. Update of Public Lands Issues in Washoe County and Western Nevada:
 - 1. Review of Public Lands and Natural Resource Issues in Washoe County
Jim Shaw, Chairman, Board of County Commissioners, Washoe County
 - 2. Update of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Planning Efforts in the Carson City Field District
Elayn Briggs, Acting Carson City Field Manager, BLM, United States Department of the Interior (DOI)
 - 3. Update of National Forest Issues on the Sierra Front
Representative, U.S. Forest Service (USFS), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)
 - *B. Overview of Programs and Activities of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA)
Lori Williams, General Manager, TMWA
John Erwin, Director of Resource Planning and Development, TMWA
Mark Foree, Director of Water Operations, TMWA
Steve Walker, Contract Lobbyist, TMWA
 - *C. Review of Activities and Programs of the Nevada Fire Safe Council
Elwood Miller, Professor of Forestry-Emeritus, University of Nevada, Reno (UNR)
Ed Smith, Natural Resource Management Specialist, UNR Cooperative Extension
 - *D. Overview of Activities and Programs of Nevada’s Division of State Lands
Pamela B. Wilcox, Administrator, Nevada’s Division of State Lands, State

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (SDCNR)

- *E. Status Report on the Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of 1998
Robert V. Abbey, State Director, BLM, Nevada
Pamela B. Wilcox, Administrator, Nevada's Division of State Lands,
SDCNR
- *F. Discussion of Certain Scientific Research and Findings Relating to Rangeland Health and the Potential Harvesting of Pinion Juniper in Nevada
Sherman Swanson, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Environmental and Resource Sciences, UNR
Barry Perryman, Rangeland Ecologist, Department of Animal Biotechnology, UNR
William Morrill, Science Coordinator, Eastern Nevada Landscape Coalition
- *G. Discussion of USFS Policies and Procedures Regarding the Monitoring and Use of Grazing Allotments
Representative, USFS, USDA
Al Steninger, Range and Ranch Management Consultant (*tentative*)
- *H. Review of Activities and Operations of the Washoe County Department of Water Resources
Steve Bradhurst, Director, Washoe County Department of Water Resources
- *I. Overview of the Programs and Activities of the Washoe County Regional Water Planning Commission
Susan Lynn, Chairman, Washoe County Regional Water Planning Commission
- *J. Overview of General Water Issues in Western Nevada
Hugh Ricci, State Engineer, Nevada's Division of Water Resources, SDCNR
- *K. Discussion of the Activities of the Legislative Committee on Public Lands in Washington, D.C., Occurring During Its Informational Tour Conducted on February 25-26, 2004
Senator Dean A. Rhoads, Chairman, Legislative Committee on Public Lands

IV. Public Comments

- *V. Possible Work Session on Preceding Agenda Items

VI. Adjournment

- *Denotes items on which the committee may take action.

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[Directions to the Western Heritage Interpretive Center, Bartley Ranch Regional Park, 6000 Bartley Ranch](#)

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