

### STATE OF NEVADA SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL

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# MEETING OF THE SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL Monday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013 8:30 a.m. The Legislative Building 401 S Carson Street, Room 4100, Carson City, Nevada 89701

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment will be taken at the beginning and end of the meeting, and may be taken at the discretion of the Chair on agenda items listed for possible action. Public comments may be limited to 3 minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair. Comment will not be restricted based on viewpoint. No action will be taken on any matters raised during the public comment period that are not already on the agenda. Persons making comment will be asked to begin by stating their name for the record.

# 3. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AGENDA - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

# 4. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

A. Approval of minutes from the meeting held October 10, 2013.

### 5. COUNCIL MEMBER ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Council members may make comments at this time and the Program Manager will bring forward any pertinent correspondence directed to the Council.

#### 6. DISCUSSION OF THE CONSERVATION CREDIT SYSTEM:

A. A brief update on the status of the Conservation Credit System RFP. – *Tim Rubald, Program Manager, Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team.* 

# 7. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE BLM/USFS SUB-REGIONAL DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (DEIS). \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

- A. Presentation and discussion of the Sub-regional DEIS, possibly resulting in Council direction to the SETT. *Joe Tague, Branch Chief Renewable Resources and Planning and Sub-Regional Program Lead, BLM State Office.*
- 8. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES, ALSO KNOWN AS 'DESIGN FEATURES', PERTAINING TO THE 'MINIMIZE' POLICY TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REVISED VERSION OF THE 2012 STATE PLAN AND STATE EIS ALTERNATIVE. \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*
  - A. Discussion and consideration of proposed Design Features to be included in the revised State Plan and EIS Alternative, as requested during the October 10, 2013 Council Meeting. Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team
- 9. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO SECTION 3.0 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE 2012 STATE PLAN. \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*
  - A. Discussion and consideration of revisions to the 2012 State Plan, as directed during the September 12, 2013 and October 10, 2013 Council Meetings. *Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team*
  - B. Possible consideration of processes and definitions regarding the concept of 'Maximum Allowable Disturbance' and cumulative impacts and determination of a process to determine the parameters of these issues. This will include discussion of the SETT's work with the Science Work Group. -- Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team

# 10. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS DRAFTED ON FLIP CHARTS DURING THIS MEETING - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

- A. With staff assistance, the Council will review items discussed, as well as items acted upon during this meeting, and determine which of those they wish to direct staff to do further work on, as well as which items the Council wishes to act on that may not have been acted upon during earlier discussion.
- B. Determination of whether the Council will meet on December 12, 2013 which is the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

#### 11. FEDERAL AGENCY UPDATES AND COMMENTS:

- A. US Fish and Wildlife Service
- B. Bureau of Land Management
- C. US Forest Service
- D. Other

### 12. STATE AGENCY UPDATES AND COMMENTS:

- A. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- B. Department of Wildlife
- C. Department of Agriculture
- D. Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team

### E. Other

### 13. PUBLIC COMMENT

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### 14. ADJOURNMENT - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

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