

### STATE OF NEVADA SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL

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# MEETING OF THE SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2014 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 January 23 and 24, 2014.

### 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 SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEM ISSUES WITH US REPRESENTATIVE MARK AMODEI:

A. Congressman Amodei, representing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District of Nevada, will make remarks and discuss various issues with the Council.

## 7. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE REVISIONS TO THE LIVESTOCK GRAZING PORTION OF THE STATE'S ALTERNATIVE (ALT. "E") IN THE BLM/USFS SUB-REGIONAL EIS. - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

A. Consideration of the SETT's recommendations regarding the State's EIS alternative (Alternative E in the current DEIS) pertaining to livestock grazing. – Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team.

## 8. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE REVISIONS TO THE WILD HORSES AND BURROS PORTION OF THE STATE'S ALTERNATIVE (ALT. "E") IN THE BLM/USFS SUB-REGIONAL EIS. - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

A. Discussion and possible action regarding changes to the State's EIS alternative (Alternative E in the current DEIS) pertaining to wild horses and burros. – Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team.

## 9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION TO INCORPORATE SEC ADOPTED TERMINOLOGY REGARDING MANAGEMENT AREAS AND CATEGORIES INTO THE REVISED STATE PLAN. – \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

A. Discussion and possible consideration to incorporate SEC adopted terminology regarding management areas and categories adopted by the SEC at the January 23, 2014 meeting into the revised State Plan approved by the SEC at the December 18, 2013 meeting. – Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team.

## 10. REPORT, UPDATE, AND POSSIBLE CONSIDERATION OF ACTIVITIES OF THE COUNCIL'S COMMITTEE ON THE CONSERVATION CREDIT SYSTEM (CCS). - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\*

A. The Council's Committee on the CCS met twice in February, receiving detailed information and conducting significant discussion regarding the development of the State's CCS. The Committee will report on these activities and discuss them with the Council. – Committee Chairman, Jeremy Drew

## 11. REPORT AND UPDATE ON THE NEVADA CHEATGRASS ACTION TEAM'S (NCAT), PAST ACTIVITIES, MEETINGS, AND PLANNING PROGRESS.

A. The SETT will discuss activities of the group, field visits, and possible future on-the-ground activities being discussed and planned. – Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team.

## 12. 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 any specific items the Council would like to work on at their February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting, which is the next scheduled Council meeting.

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

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

### 14. 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

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

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Department of Wildlife, 1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada
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