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MEETING OF THE SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL

Thursday, April 17, 2025 8:30 AM

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

The call-in number will be read aloud for the Public. Public comment will be made on any matter relevant to the Council. Public comments will be taken at the beginning and end of the meeting and may be taken at the discretion of the Chair on specific agenda items. Public comments may be limited to 3 minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint. No action will be taken on any matters raised during the public comment period that are

<u>not already on the agenda</u>. Persons providing comments will be asked to begin by stating their name for the record.

- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION*
 - A. Approval of agenda for Thursday, April 17, 2025.
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION*
 - A. Approval of minutes from the SEC meeting held on Friday, February 07, 2025.
- 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 GREATER SAGE-GROUSE DRAFT RMP AMENDMENT AND THE OPPORTUNITY FOR DRAFT EIS MODIFICATION FOR NEVADA *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* SETT Staff
- 7. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND UPDATES TO THE COUNCIL SETT Staff
 - A. NEPA Changes
 - B. Impact of Federal Funding and Staff Cuts
 - C. AB242
 - D. Strategic Action Plan
 - E. Public Lands Restoration Framework
 - F. CCS Projects Update
- 8. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF WAIVING THE PROXIMITY FACTOR WHEN CONDUCTING RESTORATION ON PUBLIC LAND IN PRIORITY AREAS *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* SETT Staff
- 9. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF GREATER SAGE-GROUSE HABITAT MAP HOLES *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* SETT Staff
- 10. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEMS TECHNICAL TEAM NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE POSITION *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION*
 Cheyenne Acevedo, SETT
- 11. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEMS TECHNICAL TEAM NEVADA DIVISION OF FORESTRY POSITION *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* Casey Adkins, SETT
- 12. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED DURING THIS MEETING AND SCHEDULING NEXT SEC 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 next regularly scheduled Council meeting.
- C. Scheduling of the next Council meeting date, time, and place.

13. FEDERAL AGENCY UPDATES AND COMMENTS:

- A. US Fish and Wildlife Service
- B. Bureau of Land Management
- C. US Forest Service
- D. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
- E. Other

14. STATE AGENCY UPDATES AND COMMENTS:

- A. Office of the Governor
- B. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- C. Department of Wildlife
- D. Department of Agriculture

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16. ADJOURNMENT

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Sagebrush Ecosystem Program, 201 S. Roop Street, Ste. 101 Carson City, Nevada

Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada

Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21st Street, Sparks, Nevada

Department of Wildlife, 1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada

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