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MEETING OF THE SAGEBRUSH ECOSYSTEM COUNCIL

Friday, April 19, 2024
8:30 AM

Physical Location

Nevada Department of Wildlife
Main Conference Room
6980 Sierra Center Pkwy #120, Reno, Nevada 89511

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1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

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3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA - *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION*

- A. Approval of agenda for Friday, April 19, 2024.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION***
- A. Approval of minutes from the meetings held on Thursday, February 22, 2024.
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. **WESTERN SOLAR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION - *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* *Jeremy Bluma, BLM***
7. **GREATER SAGE-GROUSE DRAFT RMP AMENDMENT AND DRAFT EIS PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION - *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* *Timothy Bowden, BLM***
8. **DISCUSSION OF THE SEC BEING A COOPERATING AGENCY, POSSIBLE ACTION TO ASK BLM TO ALLOW SEC TO BE A COOPERATING AGENCY - *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* *SEP Staff and Nicole Ting, DAG***
9. **DISCUSSION OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE PETITION TO LIST THE GREATER SAGE-GROUSE UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT - *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* *Katherine Miller, California Department of Fish and Wildlife***
10. **REVIEW AND DISCUSS THE DISPUTE ON VERSION CONTROL BROUGHT FORTH BY ORLA MINING REGARDING SOUTH RAILROAD MINE PROJECT - *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* *SEP Staff; Donald Dwyer and Glenn King, Orla Mining***
11. **STAFF BRIEFINGS AND UPDATES TO THE COUNCIL - *SEP Staff***
- A. CCS Update
- B. Fees and Penalties Update
- C. Bistate Sage Grouse and the CCS Update
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
- E. Other

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16. ADJOURNMENT

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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

Capitol Building, 101 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada

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