

Agenda

County of Inyo NATURAL RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (NRAC)

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August 8, 2013

6:00
P.M.

- 1. ROLL CALL** – To be taken by Staff.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** – This is the opportunity for anyone in the audience to address the Committee on any related subject that is not scheduled on the Agenda.
- 4. MINUTES** – the Committee will review the minutes from the June 6, 2013 meeting.
- 5. TRAVEL MANAGEMENT PLAN** – A representative from the Forest Service will provide an update on the Travel Management Plan Sub-Part B. This plan was completed for the Inyo National Forest for lands managed by the U.S. Forest Service. For more information on the Travel Management Plan see: <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=17479>
- 6. WATER DEPARTMENT** – The Inyo County Water Director will provide information regarding various County water policies and agreements and a general overview of what the Water Department is tasked with managing.
- 7. FOREST PLAN UPDATE/REVISION – TOPIC PAPERS & FOCUS PAPERS** – The County is working with the Inyo National Forest (INF) on its update to the INF Plan. Topic papers were recently released regarding the Plan Update/Revision earlier this year, and the

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NRAC previously provided input for the Board of Supervisors' consideration. The comment period for the Topic Papers has been extended, and additional input regarding the Topic Papers from the NRAC is being requested for the Board's consideration, as well as input on the draft Focus Papers that are being prepared by County Staff. Additional information is available at: <http://inyoplanning.org/InyoNationalForest.htm>

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- 8. GENERAL PLAN AND ZONING CODE UPDATE** – The Committee will receive a presentation from staff regarding the General Plan and Zoning Code Update and provide comments and input on the draft. The draft General Plan and Zoning Code is available on the Inyo County Planning website at: <http://inyoplanning.org/GPandZoningUpdates.htm>

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- 9. U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE – CRITICAL HABITAT PROPOSAL** – The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) proposes to list and designate Critical Habitat for the Sierra Nevada Yellow-Legged Frog, the Northern Distinct Population Segment of the Mountain Yellow-Legged Frog, and the Yosemite Toad. Critical habitat for these species is proposed in Inyo County and adjacent to the County along the crest of the Sierra Nevada. The NRAC will conduct a workshop and potentially provide recommendations for the Board of Supervisors. Additional information on this item is available at: http://inyoplanning.org/projects/USFW_YellowLeggedFrog.htm

- 10. OLANCHA-CARTAGO 4 LANE PROJECT** – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) with the support of Inyo County Local Transportation Commission has proposed widening about 12.7 miles of U.S. Highway 395 in Inyo County near the towns of Olancha and Cartago. In June of 2011, Caltrans selected the preferred alternative for the project. Staff will provide an update for the NRAC on the project. For more information on the project see: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist9/projects/olancha/>

- 11. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING**