



STATE OF NEVADA  
**STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
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Thursday, June 25, 2015, beginning at 10:00 a.m.  
Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
5th Floor "Ponderosa Room"  
901 South Stewart Street,  
Carson City, Nevada

Notice is hereby given that the Nevada State Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting on June 25, 2015 at the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 South Stewart Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Ponderosa Room, in Carson City, Nevada. This meeting will also be available telephonically by calling 888-808-6929, and then enter code 3499573 to participate.

**NOTICE:** Items on this agenda may be taken in a different order than listed. Items may be combined for consideration by the Commission. Items may be removed from the agenda at any time.

**I. CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

A. Introductions

**II. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comment may be made on any issue and any discussion of those items; provided that comment will be limited to areas relevant to and within the authority of the Conservation Commission. Public comments may be limited to 3-5 minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair. No action will be taken on any items raised in the public comment period that are already not on the agenda. At the discretion of the Chair, public comment may be received prior to action on individual agenda items.

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

A. Approval of minutes from January 22 and 23, 2015 meeting.

B. Approval of minutes from February 20, 2015 meeting.

C. Approval of minutes from March 27, 2015 meeting.

D. Approval of minutes from May 20, 2015 meeting.

**IV. BRIEF UPDATE ON CONSERVATION DISTRICTS PROGRAM - \*NOT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\***

A. Tim Rubald, program manager, will provide the Commission with a brief update on Program activities and status of staff situations.

**V. CONSIDERATION AND DETERMINATION OF GRANT RECIPIENTS FROM THOSE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED TIMELY - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\***

A. The Commission will review and determine which applications received prior to the application deadline of noon on June 16, 2015 are eligible for funding. This is being done under the authority promulgated in adopted Regulation LCB R139-13.

**VI. CONSIDERATION AND DETERMINATION OF THE EQUAL AMOUNT OF EACH GRANT TO GO TO THE RECIPIENT DISTRICTS, AND AUTHORIZATION FOR STAFF TO RELEASE TOTAL FUNDING IMMEDIATELY - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\***

A. The Commission will determine the amount of grant funding to be disbursed to each eligible Conservation District and approve that spending, and the total amount of funding to be released immediately.

**VII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DECISIONS ON ISSUES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED RESOURCE CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (RCPP) GRANT APPLICATION - \*FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\***

A. Review of work done to date by the Nevada Association of Conservation Districts (NvACD) on the application of the RCPP. Per action at the State Conservation Commission (SCC) meeting on June 15, 2015, the NvACD is now the lead on the application with the SCC as a partner. Possible changes to work provided by the NvACD, including but not limited to, suggestions by the SCC on from which fund in the RCPP the application will be seeking funding.

B. Discussion and direction to staff regarding additional work to be accomplished prior to the July 8, 2015 submission date of the pre-proposal.

C. Discussion and direction to staff regarding work on the grant proposal if the NvACD is successful in obtaining an invitation from NRCS in early September to submit a full application for the RCPP funding opportunity.

**VIII. AGENCY UPDATES - \*NOT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\***

A. Nevada Department of Agriculture – *Tina Mudd, Rangeland Ecology*

- B. UNR-College of Agriculture Biotechnology and Natural Resources – *Dr. Sherm Swanson, Range and Riparian Extension State Specialist for University of Nevada Cooperative Extension and Scientist for Nevada Agricultural Experiment Station.*
- C. Natural Resources Conservation Service – *Dennis Workeman, Interim State Conservationist*
- D. Farm Services Administration – *Clint Koble, State Executive Director*
- E. Nevada Department of Wildlife – *Connie Lee, Landowner Incentive Programs*
- F. Nevada Association of Conservation Districts – *Jake Tibbitts, President*
- G. Others - Participating agencies and partners may report items of importance or urgency as necessary at this time.

**IX. COMMISSIONER ITEMS - \*NOT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION\***

- A. Comments and Reports

**X. NEXT COMMISSION MEETING - \* FOR POSSIBLE ACTION \***

- A. Agenda items for future consideration.
- B. Date, time and location of next meeting.

**XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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**XII. ADJOURNMENT - \* FOR POSSIBLE ACTION \***

Notice of this meeting was posted in the following location:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701  
NRCS Office 1200 Winnemucca Blvd East, Winnemucca, Nevada 89445  
NRCS Office 555 West Silver Street, Suite 101, Elko, Nevada 89801  
Nevada Department of Agriculture 4780 E Idaho St Elko, Nevada 89801

Notice of this meeting was emailed for posting to the following locations:

NRCS State Office, 1365 Corporate Blvd, Reno, NV 89502

Notice of this meeting was also posted on the Internet website at:

<http://dcnr.nv.gov/conservation-district-program/conservation-commission>

And the Nevada Public Notice website <http://notice.nv.gov/>

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