



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
of the
NEVADA DROUGHT FORUM



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 – 8:30 AM

The Nevada Drought Forum will conduct a public meeting on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2015, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Nevada Legislative Building, Room 4100, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada, and will video conference to the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, Room 4401, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada, and Great Basin College, Berg Hall Conference Room, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, Nevada. The public is invited to attend at all locations.

NOTICE

(1) Items may be taken out of order; (2) Two or more items may be combined; (3) Items may be removed from the agenda or delayed at any time; (4) Public comment may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair; comment will not be restricted based on viewpoint; (5) Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically handicapped persons desiring to attend the meeting. Please call (775) 684-5670 in advance so that arrangements for attendance may be made.

AGENDA

Action may be taken only on those items denoted "For possible action."

1. Call to Order & Roll Call – *For possible action*

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 comment 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 August 19, 2015.

5. Presentation on Potential Federal Legislation – *Discussion*

The Forum will receive a presentation from Samuel Crampton, Regional Representative for U.S. Senator Dean Heller, regarding potential federal legislation related to the drought.

6. Forum Members Discuss Information Generated at July and August Drought Forum Meetings - *Discussion and Possible Action*

The Forum will discuss information presented at the July 17, 2015, and August 19, 2015, meetings of the Nevada Drought Forum, including comments received from sectors such as Gaming and Hospitality, Mining, Development, Energy, Commercial and Industrial, Tourism and Recreation, General Business and Agriculture, as well as from Tribal Interests, Non Governmental Organizations, Public and Private Water, Water Authorities and the General Public.

7. Forum Members Discuss Information Generated at the Governor's Drought Summit – Discussion and Possible Action

The Forum will discuss information presented at Governor Brian Sandoval's Drought Summit held September 21-23 in Carson City, Nevada.

8. Forum Members Discuss Additional Information and Ideas – Discussion and Possible Action

The Forum will discuss additional information and ideas presented to the Drought Forum, as well as possible recommendations individual Forum members wish to make based on information they have been provided and/or their professional experience.

9. Forum Members Discuss Drought Information Gathered in Relation to Recommendations of the Western Governors' Association Drought Forum – Discussion and Possible Action

The Forum will discuss Nevada information presented at Drought Forum Meetings and the Governor's Drought Summit relative to the seven key themes of the Western Governors' Drought Forum: data and analysis; produced, reused and brackish water; forest health and soil stewardship; water conservation and efficiency; infrastructure and investment; working within institutional frameworks; and communication and collaboration.

10. Review of Discussion, Future Meetings and Agenda Items – For Possible Action

The Forum will review items discussed and identified for possible inclusion in its report, and also identify areas for further consideration and staff work. The Forum will also discuss scheduling a future meeting.

11. Public Comment - Discussion

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12. Adjournment – For action

This notice and agenda has been posted on or before 9 a.m. on the third working day before the meeting at the following locations:

- (1) Nevada State Capitol, 101 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada
- (2) Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada
- (3) Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington Street, Las Vegas, Nevada
- (4) Department of Conservation & Natural Resources, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada
- (5) Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21st Street, Sparks, Nevada
- (6) Department of Wildlife, 1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada

Notice of this meeting has been included on the Nevada Public Notices website at <http://notice.nv.gov/> Notice of this meeting was also posted on the Nevada Drought Forum website at <http://drought.nv.gov>. Please contact Andrea Sanchez-Turner at 775-684-2705 (direct) or asanchez@dcnr.nv.gov to obtain support material for the agenda. Any materials will also be posted at <http://drought.nv.gov>.

We are also pleased to make reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting. If special accommodations or assistance at the meeting are requested, please notify Andrea Sanchez-Turner in writing at 901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 1003, Carson City, Nevada, 89701, or by email at asanchez@dcnr.nv.gov, no later than two (2) working days prior to the scheduled meeting.