

**WHITE PINE COUNTY PUBLIC LAND USERS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

TUESDAY, August 11, 2020

6:00 p.m.

**White Pine County Library Conference Room
950 Campton Street, Ely, NV 89301**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance and Introductions**
- III. Public Comment**
- IV. *Discussion/for Possible Action - Approval of July 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes**
- V. Liaison Report**
- VI. *Discussion/for Possible Action**
 - A. *Update/Discussion/for Possible Action – Bureau of Land Management**
 - B. *Update/Discussion/for Possible Action – U.S. Forest Service**
 - C. *Update/Discussion/for Possible Action – National Park Service**
 - D. *Update/Discussion/for Possible Action – Nevada State Parks**
 - E. *Update/Discussion/for Possible Action – RCI, Jeremy Drew**
- VII. *Discussion/for Possible Action – Update from CRM on the White Pine County Public Lands Management Plan, OHV Section, County-Wide OHV Policy.**
- VIII. *Discussion/Action – Updates, Issues Contained in White Pine County’s Public Land Use Policies Including OHV Use, Energy, Minerals, Water, Land Sales, Greater Sage-Grouse, and Wild Horse and Burros.**
- IX. *Discussion/Action – Committee Vacancies, Resignations, Appointments**
- XI. Next Meeting Time and Date Announcement**
- XII. Public Comment**
- XII. *Adjournment**

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Public Commentary: A period devoted to comments by the public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. (NRS 241.020(2) (c) (3).)

Public Comment: Public Comment during the White Pine County Public Land Users Advisory Committee meeting on August 11, 2020 will be for all matters both on and off the agenda and be limited to three minutes per person. Additionally, public comment of three minutes per person will be heard during the individual action items. The Board reserves the right to reduce the time or limit the total time allowed for public comment. The Board may prohibit comment if the content of the comments is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational, or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on the item at the White Pine County Public Land Users Advisory Committee meeting.

Note: All times are approximate except for items agendized at a specific time. Action may be taken on all items except where otherwise indicated. Items not scheduled for a specific time may be considered at any time and in any order to promote efficiency. The Board may combine two or more agenda items for consideration and may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion at any time. Sponsorship of an Agenda Item by a member of the White Pine County Public Land Users Advisory Committee may not signify agreement with the requested action.

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TUESDAY, July 14, 2020

6:00 p.m.

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Dana Johnson, Craig Baker, and Bill Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Tefft, Mary Kerner and Jacob Carter

**PUBLIC PRESENT: Jose Noriega, USFS, Bill Miller, Jeremy Drew, RCI via phone
and Elanie Calderwood**

- I. **Call to Order** Dana Johnson called the meeting to order @ 5:59 pm.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance and Introductions**
- III. **Public Comment** Jeremy Drew, RCI referred to the tracking list that was presented to the committee. One of the main items they are dealing with is the RNMC expansion. They are also working on the Targeting Grazing EA. Next week they are looking at the Horse Gather EA on the Moriah Herd. The County did get comments submitted on the Targeted Graze EA.
- IV. ***Discussion/for Possible Action** - Approval of June 9, 2020 Meeting Minutes: Bill Wilson made a motion to approve the June 9, 2020 meeting minutes. Craig Baker seconded the motion. The motion passed
- V. **Liaison Report** None one was present
- VI. ***Discussion/for Possible Action**
 - A. ***Update/Discussion/for Possible Action** – Bureau of Land Management No one was present. Dana Johnson questioned the targeted grazing; Jeremy Drew reported that there should not be any impact on existing permittees.
 - B. ***Update/Discussion/for Possible Action** – U.S. Forest Service Jose Noriega reported that the office is still closed, there is employees working from home, the office, and out in the field. He does not expect the office to open to the public until maybe September. The camp grounds are open except Bird Creek; they are trying to get a new contractor in to the camp open. They have hired a new law enforcement officer he will start in August.

- C. ***Update/Discussion/for Possible Action – National Park Service Craig Baker reported that the only parking is at the high point to hike Wheeler Peak, there is no parking at the Wheeler Peak Camp Ground because they are working on the camp ground. There is not any Cave Tours because of COVID-19**
- D. ***Update/Discussion/for Possible Action – Nevada State Parks No one was present**
- VII. ***Discussion/for Possible Action – Update from CRM on the White Pine County Public Lands Management Plan, OHV Section, County-Wide OHV Policy. Jose Noriega reported that they are have a meeting tomorrow 07.15.2020 @ 9:00 am at the Ward Mountain campground for the TRT. This will be to get the objectives of where does County want to be for OHV. And to also working with the Federal Agencies and individual communities. Jose Noriega felt that there should be some designation so riders know where they can ride. Bill Wilson would like to see the community involved such as a survey to get input from everyone.**
- VIII. ***Discussion/Action – Updates, Issues Contained in White Pine County’s Public Land Use Policies Including OHV Use, Energy, Minerals, Water, Land Sales, Greater Sage-Grouse, and Wild Horse and Burros. Dana Johnson commented that he felt that the Advisory Committee should support RCI’s direction on the Moriah Herd Area. The committee agreed to support the direction. Jeremy Drew reported that lek counts are down due to COVID-19, the only counts are being done by volunteers.**
- IX. ***Discussion/Action – Committee Vacancies, Resignations, Appointments There is one vacancy to represent tourism.**
- XI. **Next Meeting Time and Date Announcement The next meeting will be August 11, 2020 @ 6:00 pm**
- XII. **Public Comment None were made.**
- XII. ***Adjournment The meeting was adjourned @ 7:20 pm**

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**White Pine County Natural Resource and Public Land Issues Tracking List
For Resource Concepts, Inc. Project #20-125:
As of June 29, 2020**

April:

- US Fish and Wildlife Service Raven Data Call
 - Information submitted on 3/31/2020
- BLM Pinyon-Juniper Categorical Exclusion
 - Comments submitted on 4/13/2020
- BLM Greater Sage-grouse Supplemental Draft EIS and Land Use Plan Amendment
 - Comments submitted on 4/15/2020

May:

- BLM's Draft Programmatic EIS (Draft PEIS) for Rangeland Restoration
 - Comments submitted on 5/27/2020

June:

- Robinson Mine Expansion, Scoping
 - Comments submitted on 6/25/2020

July:

- BLM, Nevada State Office, Targeted Grazing Environmental Assessment
 - Comments due on 7/9/2020
- USFS Moriah Herd Area Wild Horse Gather Plan Environmental Assessment
 - Comments due on 7/24/2020
- DOI Grazing Regulation Updates
 - Comment timeline TBD

Future Items:

- USFS Greater Sage-grouse Objection Period, Still Pending (Timeline TBD)
- HT National Forest Prescribed Fire Cat. Ex. NEPA Process (Timeline TBD)

Upcoming Meetings:

- Public Land Use Advisory Council: **2nd Tuesday of each Month @ 6 pm (July 14)**
- Water Advisory Council: **3rd Tuesday of each Month @ 6 pm (July 21)**
- NV Legislative Committee on Public Lands: **July 22 & Aug. 11, Locations TBD**
- NACO Public Lands and Natural Resources Committee: **July 30 @ 3 pm, Carson City**
- White Pine County CRM: **September**

