

**EUREKA COUNTY
NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMISSION**

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The **Natural Resource Advisory Commission** (NRAC) will hold a public meeting on **Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Eureka County Administration Facility, 701 S. Main St., Eureka, Nevada. Persons may also participate by phone by calling 1-415-655-0003 and entering code 24564869 ##.

AGENDA

Call to Order – The Chairman will call the meeting to order and determine quorum.

Public Comment– *No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. Public comment may be limited to (3) minutes per person at the discretion of the Chairman.*

Commission Business

1. Approval of the agenda notice with addition of any emergency item and/or deletion of any item. **(For Possible Action)**
2. Welcome and introduction of new NRAC members; Jim Evans, representing wildlife interests, and Carl Olsen, representing mining. **(Discussion)**
3. Appoint NRAC Chair and Vice Chair for 2023. **(For Possible Action)**
4. Member updates and reports. (Discussion)

Agency and Entity Reports

1. Reports and updates from various natural resources and land management agencies and entities. (Discussion)

Correspondence and Issues

1. Discuss correspondence and natural resource issues affecting Eureka County and consider action items for future agenda. **(For Possible Action)**

Coordination

1. Discuss and consider sending annual notices to relevant federal land and resource management agencies, in accordance with Eureka County Code Title 9 Chapter 40.030, seeking full and complete notice and opportunity for involvement in the decision making processes of the federal entities. **(For Possible Action)**

2023 Priorities, Projects, and Initiatives

1. Discuss and consider any specific priorities, projects, and initiatives to pursue in 2023 including any related budget items to request. **(For Possible Action)**

Renewable Energy

1. Discuss Eureka County's policies regarding renewable energy project siting and development including without limitation associated land use considerations and mitigation of impacts and consider any new or updated related policies. **(For Possible Action)**
2. Discuss, approve, or deny supporting a Diamond Valley Agrivoltaics (Agri-Solar) Study. **(For Possible Action)**

Grazing

1. Discuss and consider response to recent grazing-related actions including without limitation restart of BLM grazing regulation process and Phoenix Mine AUM Cancellations. **(For Possible Action)**

Mining, Oil and Gas, and Geothermal

1. Discuss and consider response regarding mining, oil and gas, and geothermal projects and activities in and affecting Eureka County. **(For Possible Action)**

Water

1. Discuss and consider response to Revised Definition of "Waters of the United States" Rule. **(For Possible Action)**
2. Discuss and consider response to ORNI 15 LLC/Ormat Nevada Inc. Jersey Valley Hot Spring Mitigation Project including settlement agreement between Eureka County, Ormat Technologies and Joe Saval Co., LLC regarding Eureka County's protest of water rights application 92125. **(For Possible Action)**

2023 Legislative Session

1. Discuss and consider response to proposed natural resources related legislation for the 2023 Nevada Legislative Session. **(For Possible Action)**

Next Meeting – Schedule next meeting and identify agenda items for discussion or action. **(For Possible Action)**

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Adjourn (For Possible Action)

Items on this agenda on which action may be taken are denoted as **(For Possible Action)**. Items on this agenda may be taken out of order, combined with other agenda items for consideration, removed from the agenda, or delayed for discussion at any time.

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