



# AGENDA

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Regular Meetings: The First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified just below.

MEETING LOCATION Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St., Bridgeport, CA 93517

### Regular Meeting October 7, 2014

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**TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS:** 1) First and Second Meetings of Each Month: Mammoth Lakes CAO Conference Room, 3rd Floor Sierra Center Mall, 452 Old Mammoth Road, Mammoth Lakes, California, 93546; 2) Third Meeting of Each Month: Mono County Courthouse, 278 Main, 2nd Floor Board Chambers, Bridgeport, CA 93517. Board Members may participate from a teleconference location. Note: Members of the public may attend the open-session portion of the meeting from a teleconference location, and may address the board during any one of the opportunities provided on the agenda under Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board.

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9:00 AM Call meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

**1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

on items of public interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. (Speakers may be limited in speaking time dependent upon the press of business and number of persons wishing to address the Board.)

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Board Minutes**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 9 2014.

**B. Board Minutes**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approve minutes of the Special Meeting held on September 9, 2014.

**C. Board Minutes**

Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 16, 2014.

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

Departments: Board of Supervisors

10 minutes

(Susi Bains) - Proclamation designating October, 2014 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This item is being sponsored by Supervisor Hunt.

**Recommended Action:** Approve proclamation designating October, 2014 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

The Board may, if time permits, take Board Reports at any time during the meeting and not at a specific time.

**5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding work activities.

**6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS**

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

**A. Mono Basin RPAC Appointment**

Departments: Community Development

Appointment of new member to the Mono Basin Regional Planning Advisory Committee.

**Recommended Action:** Appoint Margy Verba to the Mono Basin Regional Planning Advisory Committee, as recommended by Supervisor Alpers. Her term will expire on 12/31/2015.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**B. Appointment of Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) Member**

Departments: Community Development

Appointment of John A. Migliore to the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) to a new two-year term expiring in January 2017.

**Recommended Action:** Appoint John A. Migliore to the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) to a new two-year term expiring in January 2017.

**Fiscal Impact:** No fiscal impacts are expected.

**C. WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Contract**

Departments: Public Health

Proposed contract, 14-10260, between the California Department of Public Health and the Mono County Health Department WIC (Women, Infant and Children) Program pertaining to the provision of services in this program.

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**Recommended Action:** Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize Larry K. Johnson, Chair, to sign and execute said contract on behalf of the County. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** Fiscal award to Mono County WIC Program in the amount of \$262,070. for Fiscal Year 2014/15, October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

**D. Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health Agreement Funding Application for FY 2014-15**

Departments: Public Health

Proposed Funding Application for the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health (MCAH) Program for FY 2014-15.

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**Recommended Action:** Approve Funding Application for the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health (MCAH) Program for FY 2014-15, and authorize Public Health Director to execute any contract documents

or amendments related to said funding application, provided they are consistent with the application and are approved as to form by county counsel.

**Fiscal Impact:** There is no fiscal impact on the County General Fund. MCAH funding is a mix of federal and local public health realignment dollars. The local funding is required by the Federal Government to draw down the Title XIX funds. The MCAH budget for FY 2014-15 is \$115,643, from the following funding sources: Federal Title V \$75,008, Federal Title XIX \$40,634, and Local Health Realignment \$49,002.

**E. Substance Use Services Disorder Contract with the Department of Health Care Services**

Departments: Behavioral Health

Proposed standard agreement amendment (Agreement No. 12-89232) with Department of Health Care Services allows for providing covered Drug Medi-Cal services for substance use treatment in Mono County by Mono County Behavioral Health.

To view attachments associated with this item, please click on the link below and look under "additional documents". Copies of attachments are also available in the clerk's office: <http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/bos/event/board-supervisors-64>

**Recommended Action:** Approve County entry into proposed standard agreement amendment (Agreement No. 12-89232) with Department of Health Care Services and authorize Robin K. Roberts, MFT to execute said agreement amendment on behalf of the County.

**Fiscal Impact:** No fiscal impact to the General Fund. Drug Medi-Cal Funds=\$2387.00 and SAPT Funds=\$392,257.00 to Mono County Behavioral Health to provide services and prevention to Mono County.

**F. Performance Contract Revisions with Department of Health Care Services**

Departments: Behavioral Health

Proposed standard agreements with Department of Health Care Services (Agreement Nos. 13-90320 and 14-09332) These are revision contracts regarding performance requirements for the Fiscal Years 13/14 and 14/15. The California Department of Health Care Services (hereafter referred to as DHCS or Department) administers the Mental Health Services Act, Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) and Community Mental Health Services Grant (MHBG) programs and oversees county provision of community mental health services provided with realignment funds. Contractor (hereafter referred to as County in this Exhibit) must meet certain conditions and requirements to receive funding for these programs and community mental health services. These Agreements, which are the County's performance contracts, as required by Welfare and Institutions Code (W&I) sections 5650(a), 5847, and Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR), section 3310, sets forth conditions and requirements that County must meet in order to receive this funding. These Agreements do not cover federal financial participation or State general funds as they relate to Medi-Cal services provided through the Mental Health Plan Contracts. County agrees to comply with all of the conditions and requirements described herein.

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**Recommended Action:** Approve County entry into proposed standard agreements with the Department of Health Care Services (Agreement Nos. 13-90320 and 14-09332) and authorize Robin K. Roberts to execute said agreements on behalf of the County. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** None to Mono County General Fund. This contract is for performance requirements and does not impact revenue for the Behavioral Health Department.

**G. First Amendment re Employment of Franklin Smith**

Departments: CAO/HR

Proposed resolution approving First Amendment re Employment contract with Franklin Smith as Chief Investigator, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

**Recommended Action:** Approve Resolution #R\_\_\_\_\_, approving an agreement and first amendment re amendment re employment of Franklin Smith, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chairman to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

**Fiscal Impact:** The cost of this position for the remainder of FY 2014-2015 is approximately \$229,624 of which \$102,460 is salary; \$94,303 is the employer portion of PERS, and \$32,861 is the cost of the benefits and is included in the approved budget. Total cost for a full fiscal year would be \$275,949 of which \$122,952 is salary; \$113,164 is the employer portion of PERS and \$39,433 is the cost of benefits.

**H. Amendment to Management Benefits Policy**

Departments: Board of Supervisors

Proposed amendment to Management Benefits Policy, increasing the amounts contributed by affected officers and employees toward their medical insurance premiums to match the amounts generally being contributed at this time by other County employees.

**Recommended Action:** Adopt proposed Resolution R14-\_\_\_\_, a resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors amending the policy regarding benefits of management-level officers and employees.

**Fiscal Impact:** Countywide savings of \$10,400 for the remainder of 2014-15. Annual Countywide savings of \$15,600. Of that approximately \$13,500 is general fund savings.

**I. Mono Council for the Arts (Mammoth Arts Guild) State-Local Partnership Program**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Resolution approving the State-Local Partnership Program Grant request and designating Gaye Mueller, Executive Director of the Mammoth Art Guild DBA Mono Council for the Arts, to execute the State-Local Partnership Program Grant contract with the California Arts Council. Supervisor Hunt is sponsoring this item.

**Recommended Action:** Approve Resolution #R14-\_\_\_\_\_, declaring approval of a state-local partnership program grant application by the Mammoth Art Guild and authorizing execution of a grant contract with the California Arts Council.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**J. RED Grant Travel**

Departments: Probation

On the conditional approval of the Racial & Ethnic Disparity Grant (RED Grant), Mono and two other counties are sending RED Team members to the Positive Youth Justice Initiative (PYJI) in New York on October 9 & 10, 2014, leaving on October 8, 2014. The travel is funded through the RED Grant.

**Recommended Action:** Approve 2 RED Team members to travel to New York for the PYJI conference fully funded by the RED Grant.

**Fiscal Impact:** Estimated travel cost is \$3,800, funded by the RED Grant.

**K. August 2014 Transaction Report**

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transactions for the month of August 2014.

**Recommended Action:** Receive and approve the Treasury Transaction Report for the month of August 2014.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)**

All items listed are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board, and are available for review.

**A. McQuilkin Letter from CHP**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence dated September 8, 2014 regarding Traffic Control issues related to the Tioga Pass Run.

**B. Chamber Music Unbound**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence from Brian Schuldt, Executive Director of Chamber Music Unbound, submitting their final report for the \$4,500 grant awarded to them in May 2014.

**C. Bridgeport RPAC Letter Requesting Resolution or Ordinance**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence and back up information dated September 18, 2014 from the Bridgeport RPAC regarding a request for the Board to pass a resolution or ordinance requesting the CHP approve certain portions of highways in the Bridgeport area to be designated as "Combined Use" roads.

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**9. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING**

**A. California Home Finance Authority Joint Powers Agreement Request for Amendment**

Departments: County Administrator

15 minutes (5 minute staff presentation, 10 minute discussion)

(Jim Leddy) - Proposed resolution approving proposed revisions to the California Home Finance Authority (CHF) Joint Powers Agreement.

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**Recommended Action:** Adopt proposed resolution #R14-\_\_\_\_, approving proposed revisions to the California Home Finance Authority (CHF) Joint Powers Agreement. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** There is no fiscal impact from adopting the resolution.

**B. Mono County Comments on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest/Bureau of Land Management Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Bi-State Sage-Grouse**

Departments: Community Development

15 minutes (5 minute presentation, 10 minute discussion)

(Wendy Sugimura) - Presentation by Wendy Sugimura on Mono County comments on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest/Bureau of Land Management Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Greater Sage-grouse Bi-state Distinct Population Segment Forest Plan Amendment.

**Recommended Action:** Approve, with any desired modifications, Mono County comments on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest/Bureau of Land Management Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Greater Sage-grouse Bi-state Distinct Population Segment Forest Plan Amendment.

**Fiscal Impact:** Minimal impact to the General Fund. Potential impacts to specific projects, such as off-highway vehicle events, grazing, private development, etc., are

anticipated to be less than under a formal Endangered Species Act listing of the Bi-state sage-grouse.

**C. Ratification of the Paramedics Association Memorandum of Understanding - 2014-2017**

Departments: County Administrator's Office

20 minutes (5 minute staff presentation; 15 minutes discussion)

(Jim Leddy and Marshall Rudolph) - Proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association pertaining to terms and conditions of employment.

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**Recommended Action:**

Consider for potential adoption proposed Resolution R14-\_\_\_\_, adopting and approving a memorandum of understanding between the County and the Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association and revised personnel rules (system) applicable to employees in positions represented by said Association. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** The Fiscal impact of this contract for the portion of FY 2014-2015 (August 1st, 2014 to June 30th, 2015) is \$2,820,556. The full cost of the contract for FY 2015-2016 is estimated at \$3.07 million. This includes salary, employee benefits, overtime and holiday pay. The total cost for this MOU over its entire term is estimated at \$8.974 million.

**D. Proposed Amendment to Mono County Deputy Sheriff's Association MOU**

Departments: County Administrator

10 minutes (5 minutes staff presentation/5 minute Board Discussion)

(Jim Leddy and Marshall Rudolph) - Proposed resolution amending Mono County Deputy Sheriff's Association 2014-2017 MOU and rescind layoff notices issued to DSA members of September 16, 2014.

**Recommended Action:** Adopt proposed resolution. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** The fiscal impact would be budget neutral.

The delay of the DSA step increases for FY 2014-2015 would be \$27,000 in savings. A 40 hour unpaid furlough for all DSA members would create approximately \$67,800 in savings. The total in concessions provided by DSA in FY 2014-2015 \$ would be 94,800. In addition, the shift in funding from Sheriff's Department Motor Pool line item (\$4,000) to Staffing costs as well as use of Asset Forfeiture funds (\$85,000) would be budget neutral. A total of \$183,800 would be re-allocated.

All of these savings and fund shifts would be re-allocated to cover compensation costs within the Sheriff's Department budget to prevent layoffs in FY 2014-2015.

**E. Ratification of MOU for MCPE bargaining unit**

Departments: County Administrator's Office

20 minutes (5 minute staff presentation/15 minute Board Discussion)

(Jim Leddy and Marshall Rudolph) -

Proposed Resolution adopting and approving a memorandum of understanding between the County and Local 39, the exclusively recognized employee organization representing the Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) bargaining unit, and rescinding certain layoffs of employees in the MCPE bargaining unit.

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**Recommended Action:** Adopt proposed resolution #R14-\_\_\_\_\_, adopting and approving a memorandum of understanding between the County and Local 39, the exclusively recognized employee organization representing the Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) bargaining unit, and rescinding certain layoffs of employees in the MCPE bargaining unit. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:**

FY 2013-14 – No Fiscal Impact\* – Term of Contract covers 1/1/2014-6/30/2014

FY 2014-2015 Fiscal Impact \$15,293,759  
FY 2015-2016 Fiscal Impact \$15, 293,759  
FY 2016-2017 Fiscal Impact \$15,891,614  
FY 2017-2018 Fiscal Impact \$15,891,614  
FY 2018-2019 Fiscal Impact \$7,945,807\*

Total Contract term value \$70,316,553

**10. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

on items of public interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. (Speakers may be limited in speaking time dependent upon the press of business and number of persons wishing to address the Board.)

**11. CLOSED SESSION**

**A. Closed Session--Human Resources**

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, and Jim Leddy. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority

representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt). Unrepresented employees: All.

**B. Closed Session - Conference with Real Property Negotiators**

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Property: Pumice. Agency negotiators: Tony Dublino, Stacey Simon, and Jim Leddy. Negotiating parties: Mono County and LADWP. Under negotiation: Price and terms of sale.

**C. Closed Session - Conference with Real Property Negotiators**

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Property: Pumice Valley Landfill. Agency negotiators: Tony Dublino, Jim Leddy, Stacey Simon. Negotiating parties: Mono County and Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. Under negotiation: Price and Terms.

**D. Closed Session - Existing Litigation**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: Russel Covington et al., v. Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District et al. (Mono County as Real Party in Interest).

**REGULAR AFTERNOON SESSION COMMENCES AT 1:30 P.M.**

**12. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

on items of public interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. (Speakers may be limited in speaking time dependent upon the press of business and number of persons wishing to address the Board.)

**13. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON**

**A. Motor Pool Fleet Reduction**

Departments: Public Works - Motor Pool

45 minutes (10 minute presentation; 35 minute discussion)

(Jeff Walters) - Presentation on the current Mono County vehicle fleet as follow up to Board workshop discussion on size and effeciency.

**Recommended Action:** Receive staff report on potential reductions in Motor Pool fleet size. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** It will depend upon the number of vehicles removed from the fleet and individual department use patterns.

**B. Motor Pool - Sale of Surplus Vehicles to Special Districts**

Departments: Public Works

10 minutes (5 minute presentation; 5 minute discussion)

(Jeff Walters) - Surplus vehicle offer to Special Districts request.

**Recommended Action:** 1. Receive staff report regarding request from Antelope Valley Fire Protection District to purchase a surplus 2009 Ford Expedition (unit 0746) from Mono County for \$1.00; a request from the Chalfant Valley Fire Department to purchase a surplus 2008 Ford Expedition (unit 0717) from Mono County for \$1.00; and a request from Southern Mono Healthcare District to purchase a surplus 2009 Ford Expedition (unit 0745) from Mono County for \$1.00; 2. Find that the 2009 Ford Expedition (unit 0746, VIN 1FMFU165529EB03956) is in good condition but is excess and/or unneeded property; 3. Find that the 2008 Ford Expedition (unit 0717, VIN 1FMFU16588LA65109) is in good condition but is excess and/or unneeded property; 4. Find that the 2009 Ford Expedition (unit 0745, VIN 1FMFU16549EB03957) is in good condition but is excess and/or unneeded property; 5. Authorize Public Works Director to prepare, process, and execute applicable documents on behalf of Mono County to transfer ownership of unit 0746 to the Antelope Valley Fire Protection District, unit 0717 to the Chalfant Fire Protection District, and unit 0745 to the Southern Mono Healthcare District; 6. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** Each Ford Expedition has an estimated value of \$6,000 at auction. Mono County could lose potential Motor Pool revenue of approximately \$18,000.

**C. Discussion with Department of Fish and Wildlife, Patrol Lieutenant Bill Dailey**

Departments: Economic Development

15 minutes (10 minute presentation; 5 minute discussion)

(Jeff Simpson and Patrol Lieutenant Bill Dailey, Department of Fish and Wildlife) - Per the request of the Board at the September 9th 2014 regular meeting, Lieutenant Bill Dailey from the Department of Fish and Game will be in attendance to answer questions and address concerns regarding the Fish and Game Fine Fund expenditure request of \$5,070.00 for three Swarovski STS 65mm HD Spotting Scopes with 20-60 zoom eye piece and iPhone adaptor.

**Recommended Action:** Provide direction to staff. Review and reconsider the request from September 3rd meeting regarding the \$5,070 expenditure from the Fish and Game Fine Fund for the purchase of three Swarovski STS 65mm HD Spotting Scopes with 20-60 zoom eye piece and iPhone adaptor.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$5,070.00 from the Fish and Game Fine Fund.

**D. Eastern Sierra Recreation Collaborative**

Departments: Board of Supervisors

20 minutes (10 minute presentation; 10 minute discussion)

(John Wentworth, Mammoth Lakes Town Councilman) - Workshop regarding regional collaboration on recreation issues during the Inyo Forest Plan Update/Revision (requested by Supervisor Hunt).

**Recommended Action:** Conduct workshop concerning the Eastern Sierra Regional

Collaborative, and provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** No impact.

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OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

Print

**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Clerk of the Board**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              Board Minutes

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 9 2014.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

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**CONTACT NAME:** Shannon Kendall

**PHONE/EMAIL:** x5533 / skendall@mono.ca.gov

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SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT WITH  
ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICE OF  
THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
***PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. ON THE FRIDAY  
32 DAYS PRECEDING THE BOARD MEETING***

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### MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:

YES  NO

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#### History

Time	Who	Approval
9/22/2014 8:42 AM	County Administrative Office	Yes
9/29/2014 5:02 PM	County Counsel	Yes
9/19/2014 5:06 PM	Finance	Yes



**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
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**Regular Meeting  
September 9, 2014**

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Flash Drive	1007
Minute Orders	M14-174 to M14-177
Resolutions	R14-50
Ordinance	Ord14-04

12:00 M Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Johnston.

*Supervisors present: Fesko, Hunt, Johnston and Stump.  
Supervisors absent: Alpers.*

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Hunt.

*Closed Session: 12:02 p.m.  
Reconvene: 1:33 p.m.  
Break: 2:57 p.m.  
Reconvene: 3:07 p.m.  
Adjourn: 4:42 p.m.*

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

*No one spoke.*

2. CLOSED SESSION

*There was nothing to report out of closed session.*

A. Closed Session--Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, and Jim Leddy. Employee Organization(s):

**Note**

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Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt). Unrepresented employees: All.

B. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION.  
Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9.  
Name of case: Russell Covington et al. vs. Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District and Mono County et al.

**START OF REGULAR SESSION – 1:30 P.M.**

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

*No one spoke.*

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE

4. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

5. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- Absent.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- 9/4 – Antelope Valley RPAC; great turnout. Looking at creating and taking inventory of trails to create economic stimulus.
- 9/6 – continued conversation with Thrift and Recycle Center in Antelope Valley and its future.
- Thanked Board for doing evening session tonight in Antelope Valley at 6:00 p.m. It is much appreciated by community.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Last Wed and Thurs, Sierra Nevada Conservancy met in Bridgeport with tours to view projects. Visited various sites within the county. Reception at Bridgeport Barns and Terrace with a nice sunset over Sierra Crest. Great turnout with both Inyo and Mono Counties represented.
- Thursday – regular board meeting of Sierra Nevada Conservancy – emphasis based on recreation and tourism.
- This weekend – bike program in Mammoth was complete success. 103 century ride well attended. TOT showing real surge in Mammoth this summer.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Met with Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, Wild Sheep Foundation; has handouts.
- Mammoth Lakes Housing meeting.
- Attended CSAC Board meeting last week; the Association took positions on several propositions; CAO Leddy was mentioned at this meeting.
- Attended wedding.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Last Thursday, met with Road Dept. Superintendent Josh Rhoades regarding Flash Flood damage; he had taken video with smart phone. Pointed out issues with Caltrans; road crew doing great things.

**Note**

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- Friday attended debriefing with Chief Maniaci, Dublino and CAO about dump fire.
- Saturday, attended B.Z. Miller's funeral in June Lake; it was very well attended. He was obviously very well respected. Learned that his initials stood for Beelzebub.
- Yesterday attended LDTAC meeting; projects coming forward.

## 6. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

### CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding work activities.

#### **Jim Leddy:**

- Attended Sierra Nevada Conservancy and reception. John Laird was here, good to have him understand our issues.
- Employee round table last week in North County; South County roundtable Thursday in Mammoth.
- Steering committee went well; one week from Thursday next session.

## 7. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

#### **Stacey Simon:**

- Update on Sage Grouse issue, explanation for extension of time to comment. An extension was not granted by the court; it's a one year time limit from date of proposed listing to make a listing. That one year deadline can be extended 6 months IF there is substantial disagreement regarding facts.
- Have until March 30, 2015 with the six month extension.

## 8. CONSENT AGENDA

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

### A. CALPERS DSA Contract Amendment - Second Reading

Departments: HR / Finance

An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, County of Mono, Authorizing An Amendment To The Contract Between The Board of Supervisors, County Of Mono, And The Board Of Administration Of The California Public Employees' Retirement System.

**Action:** Adopt proposed ordinance #ORD14-04, authorizing an Amendment To The Contract Between The Board of Supervisors, County Of Mono, And The Board Of Administration Of The California Public Employees' Retirement System.

**Stump moved; Hunt seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Alpers**

**ORD14-04**

### B. Employment Agreement for Probation Chief Karin Humiston

Departments: County Administrator/Human Resources

Proposed resolution approving a contract with Karin Humiston as Mono County Probation Chief and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions

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of said employment.

**Action:** Approve Resolution #R14-50, approving an employment agreement with Karin Humiston and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

**Stump moved; Hunt seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Alpers**

**R14-50**

C. Appointment of Mono County Representative to California Broadband Cooperative Board of Directors

Departments: Information Technology

Management and oversight of the Digital 395 network is carried out by the California Broadband Cooperative, a California Consumer Cooperative Corporation. The bylaws of the corporation state that Mono County Board of Supervisors shall appoint one Director, who has knowledge and experience in the communications industry to serve on the governing board. The next regular meeting of the California Broadband Cooperative Board of Directors will commence on October 7th, with the first full membership meeting taking place on October 8th in Bishop, CA. An appointment needs to be made prior to these dates in order to ensure that Mono County has a representative present at these meetings.

**Action:** Appoint Nate Greenberg as Mono County's representative on the California Broadband Cooperative's Board of Directors.

**Stump moved; Hunt seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Alpers**

**M14-174**

D. Reappointment of Tourism Commissioners

Departments: Economic Development

Consider the reappointment of Mr. Andrew Jones and Mr. Steve Morrison to the Mono County Tourism & Film Commission so that they may continue representing District 3 and District 5 respectively, as well as county-wide tourism interests, until their new 4-year term expires on June 30, 2018.

**Action:** Reappoint Mr. Andrew Jones (District 3) and Mr. Steve Morrison (District 5) to the Mono County Tourism & Film Commission for a new 4-year term, ending June 30, 2018.

**Hunt moved; Fesko seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Alpers**

**M14-175**

**Pulled by Supervisor Hunt:**

- Wanted to make sure these two people were acknowledged for the great work they have been doing.

E. Request for Approval to Recruit for WIC Program, Registered Dietician

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Departments: Public Health

A vacancy now exists in the Mono County Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program for a Registered Dietician. This position is mandated by the California State WIC Program.

**Action:** Approve the recruitment and hire of a Registered Dietician for the WIC Program.

**Stump moved; Hunt seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Alpers**

**M14-176**

## 9. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

All items listed are located in the Office of the Clerk of the Board, and are available for review.

### A. Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors Regarding Sage Grouse

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Correspondence from Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service expressing opposition to the proposed rule to list the bi-State distinct population segment of greater sage-grouse as threatened under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

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*The Board acknowledged receipt of the correspondence.*

## 10. REGULAR AGENDA

### A. Update on Inyo Forest Plan Revision and Environmental Process

Departments: Board of Supervisors

(Deb Schweizer, Inyo National Forest) - Presentation by Deb Schweizer, Inyo National Forest providing an update on the Forest Plan Revision and environmental process.

**Action:** None.

**Scott Burns:**

- Introduced item and Deb Schweizer.
- Received information on Friday on wilderness which Deb will discuss.
- Asked for additional direction from the Board, as far as extension requests and comments.

**Deb Schweizer (power point):**

Forest Plan Revision/Notice of Intent:

- US Forest Service Mission
- Applicable Laws that Guide the Mission
- What is a Forest Plan?
- Multi-Year Process
- Right Now (Public meeting in Bishop on Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> at Tri-County Fairground at 6:00 p.m.)
- 2012 Planning Rule
- The Proposed Action (handout to be posted online).
- How to Comment – accepting scoping comments until 9/29/14. Important to provide

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- good comments, be detailed.
- Wilderness process is running concurrently; only open for two weeks. You can access an interactive map.
- Next Steps
- Joint EIS
- Questions?

**Additional Discussion:**

- There is no intent to grant extensions to comment period.
- Not a bad idea to revisit letters.
- The way the comments are processed is very thorough.
- Put photos of wilderness maps on screen.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Asked about comment period for three forests running concurrently. Asked about extension of time to comment.
- The county has commented three different times; what is status of those? Do they need to be re-emphasized? Will a four page letter get considered in its entirety?
- He would like to see the maps.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Thanked her for coming.
- Discussed Wilderness mapping issues and his opinion that the comment period should be extended for this.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Originally came to this area because of the wilderness; Ed should take every bit of action to preserve every bit of it.
- Stressed the importance of doing the very best job possible with this.
- Recognized all the work they've done.
- Brought up smoke issue and burning in a controlled environment.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- Mentioned that the URL she has listed does not appear to work. People can't make comments if they can't go there.

**B. 2014-17 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Agreement**

Departments: Public Health

(Richard O. Johnson, MD) - Proposed contract, 14-10521, with the California Department of Public Health pertaining to Public Health Preparedness. In the past there have been 3 separate annual agreements, this year there is a single agreement that covers all 3 funding streams for the 3 years 2014-17.

**Action:** (1) Approve and authorize the Chair's signature on the NON-SUPPLANTATION CERTIFICATION FORM for the AGREEMENT outlined below, and (2) Authorize the Public Health Officer to sign the 2014-17 CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP), State General Fund (GF) Pandemic Influenza, HHS Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) STANDARD AGREEMENT (STD 213) and any additional contract amendments, and (3) Authorize the Public Health Director to sign the CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING (Exhibit D (F)).

**Fesko moved; Stump seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Alpers**

**M14-177**

**Dr. Rick Johnson:**

- No power point today to keep things short.

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- Explained action being requested.
- Reviewed what's been done in past year and what can be expected in the future.

**Supervisor Stump**

- Hopefully Region 6 understands our location to Nevada.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- He feels secure; good to know what to do if things happen.

C. Fish & Game Fine Fund Expenditure

Departments: Economic Development

(Jeff Simpson) - The California Department of Fish & Game is requesting a disbursement from the Mono County Fish & Game Fine Fund in the amount of \$5,070 for the purchase of three Swarovski STS 65mm HD spotting scopes with 20-60 zoom eye piece and I-phone adapter to be distributed to Mono County Warden/Lieutenant positions to aid in the monitoring of hunting activity this fall. The Mono County Fisheries Commission approved the request for this expenditure at their regular meeting on 9/3/2014 in June Lake.

**Action:** Authorize the purchase of the above-mentioned expenditure from the Fish & Game Fine Fund on behalf of the County in an amount not to exceed \$5,070.

**Hunt moved - Motion Fails**

**Jeff Simpson:**

- Explained history of item and action being requested.
- Went over a list of possible other expenses money could be spent on.

**Marshall Rudolph:**

- There is a wide variety of purposes that the money can be spent on.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Why can't the State pay for this?
- This request leaves a bad taste, not sure why.
- What is urgency of this?
- Asked if we could revisit this when the Lieutenant can attend.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Are they truly protecting our resources with this equipment?
- This expense could maybe generate additional revenues.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- He's not in favor of this; doesn't like the way these requests are made.
- He'd prefer to see money going to hatcheries or prosecution expenses.

D. Groundwater Legislation (SB1168, SB1319, and AB 1739)

Departments: Community Development, County Counsel

(Brent Calloway and Stacey Simon) - Presentation by Community Development and County Counsel regarding SB1168, SB1319 and AB1739, related to groundwater management and recently approved by the State Legislature.

**Action:** None.

**Stacey Simon:**

**THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2014 (POWER POINT, TO BE POSTED ONLINE):**

- Overview and Key Concepts
- Key Concept 1: Prioritization of Groundwater Basins
- Mono County Groundwater Basins DWR Basin Priority Status

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- Key Concept 2: Adjustment of Basin Boundaries
- Key Concept 3: Establishment of Groundwater Sustainability Agencies
- Key Concept 4: Adoption of Groundwater Sustainability Plan (or Approved Alternative)
- Key Concept 5: Probationary Basins/Remedying the Deficiency
- Various Definitions
- Key Concept 6: Interim Plans
- Definition – De Minimus Extractor
- Key Concept 7: Groundwater Extraction Reporting
- Key Concept 8: Fees
- Other Provisions:
  - Tri-Valley Groundwater Management District
  - State Evaluation and Assessment
  - Technical Assistance
  - Coordination with Land Use Programs
- Summary/Review
- Questions and Discussion
- Biggest issue here is Tri-Valley; we'll be getting preliminary information from them tomorrow night.

**Brent Calloway:**

- Discussion about Maps.
- As far as implementation at this point, we're just looking at the Tri-Valley.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Worried about county managing this. Interested in only facts at the moment.
- He doesn't think there's much appetite out there for this kind of thing.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Why not become "probationary" and let the state do it?
- How does Nevada manage their water?

**11. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

*No one spoke.*

**12. A SPECIAL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER FOLLOWING THIS MEETING AT 6:00 P.M.**

ADJOURN 4:42 p.m.

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LARRY K. JOHNSTON  
CHAIRMAN

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SHANNON KENDALL  
SR. DEPUTY CLERK

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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Clerk of the Board**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              Board Minutes

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Approve minutes of the Special Meeting held on September 9, 2014.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

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**CONTACT NAME:** Shannon Kendall

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DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Special Meeting

Walker Community  
Center, 442 Mule  
Deer Road, Walker,  
CA 96107

September 9, 2014

Flash Drive	Portable Recorder
Minute Orders	M14-178
Resolutions	R14-51 NOT USED
Ordinance	Ord14-05 NOT USED

6:04 PM Meeting called to order by Chairman Johnston.

*Supervisors present: Fesko, Hunt, Johnston and Stump.*

*Supervisors absent: Alpers.*

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Fesko.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

**Judy Curti:**

- Here as employee and tax payer.
- Has couple concerns about budget; all involves the Board.
- We're looking at laying off up to 8 MCPE employees and the board has approved \$35,000 for Horizon Air and another \$40,000 for non-profits. This is equal to about one MCPE employee.
- She realizes times are tough.
- Concerned about other airlines coming to ask for money.
- As for non-profits, when times are tough they should fundraise, not ask Board for money. She doesn't feel folks in the Antelope Valley have gotten money from the Board.
- Had to use the ambulance service recently: why don't we have our county counsel work on a policy or insurance, like care flight? If you are a citizen of Mono County, you can pay the county a minimal fee to help offset ambulance costs.
- These are things that would bring money into our county and keep system afloat.

**Ingrid Braun (Sheriff-Elect):**

- Here to introduce herself.
- She's available to hear any concerns and answer questions after the meeting.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

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- 1a) Antelope Valley Community Center (Supervisor Tim Fesko) - Proposed resolution honoring the volunteers and county employees who helped complete the Antelope Valley Community Center Expansion Project.

**Action:** Approve proposed resolution honoring the volunteers and county employees who helped complete the Antelope Valley Community Center Expansion Project.

**Fesko moved; Hunt seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 absent: Alpers**

**M14-178**

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Introduced item; asked Supervisor Fesko to present resolution.
- Thanked everyone; this has been a long time coming with a lot of bureaucracy involved.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- Appreciates how many people turned up for this.
- Discussed the various volunteers and the many hours spent on this.
- Wanted to make sure everybody who was involved was recognized for it. When people from this county come together, there is nothing that can't be done.
- Read and presented the resolution; photos taken.
- Explained the need to take resolution back to the county to get Supervisor Alpers signature on it.
- Thanked the board for coming here tonight, appreciates staff's efforts as well. This item, the only one on tonight's agenda, was extremely important.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Remembers past heated discussion about getting this project completed.
- We've finally come to fruition; can't say how proud he is of this community for getting this done. It's a tribute to community involvement and success.
- Personally thanked all of them.

**Mike Katusich (Lion's Club):**

- Thanked the board for all their support; thanked Jeff Walters, Joe Blanchard, Vianey White, Tom Perry and a special thanks to Claude Fiddler.
- Still a bit more to do; they are hoping for additional board support in the future.

**Jeff Walters:**

- Thanked board and especially Supervisor Fesko.
- Thanked all volunteers, this was a big project. Nice to see it in its final stages.

**Dave Murray:**

- Told story of Len Scherer and his "ultimate sacrifice" experience.
- There were over 20 volunteers from the Lion's Club that participated, most of them with little to no construction experience. They all worked very hard.
- He's never seen a community band together the way they did.

ADJOURNMENT 6:35 p.m.

ATTEST

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LARRY K. JOHNSTON

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CHAIRMAN

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

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Approve minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 16, 2014.

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**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Regular Meetings: The First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified just below.

MEETING LOCATION Mammoth Lakes BOS Meeting Room, 3rd Fl. Sierra Center Mall, Suite 307, 452 Old Mammoth Rd., Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

**Regular Meeting  
September 16, 2014**

Flash Drive	Portable Recorder
Minute Orders	M14-179 to M14-182
Resolutions	R14-51 to R14-52
Ordinance	Ord14-05 NOT USED

9:01 AM Meeting Called to Order by Chairman Johnston.

*Supervisors Present: Alpers, Fesko, Hunt, Johnston and Stump.  
Supervisors Absent: None.*

*Break: 11:00 a.m.  
Reconvene: 11:11 a.m.  
Closed Session/Lunch: 12:41 p.m.  
Reconvene: 3:32 p.m.  
Adjourn: 3:35 p.m.*

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD  
*No one spoke.*

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Board Minutes

Departments: Clerk of the Board

**Action:** Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 2, 2014.

**Hunt moved; Stump seconded**

**Vote: 4 yes; 0 no; 1 abstain: Alpers**

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**M14-179**

3. PRESENTATIONS - NONE

4. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- He was gone for awhile; coming back with a lot of thanks for everyone's coverage. He's glad to be back from France/Germany. Bottom line, this is longest vacation he's taken in 40 years. Thanked Marshall Rudolph, Tony Dublino and Supervisor Hunt for keeping conservation easement moving; thanked Scott Burns for keeping in touch with June Lake constituents; thanked Jim Leddy and Bob Musil for attending June Lake CAC and RPAC and for doing presentations; thanked MMSA for offering up June Mountain facilities for BZ Miller's memorial services.
- If anyone has a chance to visit the memorial on Omaha Beach in Normandy, it's well worth the trip. Will be talking to June Lake and Southern Mono Historical Society – would be interesting to see if anyone came across on "D" Day. There are many marble crosses at this memorial; it's very inspirational and touching Memorial. Did a lot of historical family tracking.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- Thanked Board for last Tuesday's evening meeting in Walker; all volunteers appreciated it.
- 9/10 – met with ESUSD; they had a strategic process going on; wide variety of people there.
- 9/11 – attended an ATV meeting with other businesses and community in Walker; talked about next year's ATV June 16-20.
- 9/13 – Attended Duck's Unlimited dinner in Bridgeport, had a lot of fun. Turnout was a bit less than last year.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Spent week enjoying late summer weather;
- Various meetings coming up this week.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- ARC Meeting
- Met with Benton Tribe
- Mammoth Lakes Housing tomorrow.
- Town County Liaison – Stump to cover for him.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Last Wednesday – participated in conference call with AT&T in ongoing effort to secure and restore cell service to portions of Tri-Valley; no definite commitments, efforts ongoing.
- Same evening, Tri Valley Water Commission Meeting with Brent Calloway, he did a great job, Stacey was unable to attend.
- Attended Employee roundtable here last Thursday; thanked all employees that attended this and for their willingness to be frank.
- Later, attended Planning Commission meeting; Lower Rock Creek project plan to go forward.
- Friday had long conversation with lawyer for Benton Tribe regarding letter on our consent agenda and a new proposal regarding land transfer. Advised lawyer that there would be strenuous opposition to this proposal (at highways 203 and 395).

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding work

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activities.

**Jim Leddy:**

- Good turnout for south county roundtable; next month it will be on the third Thursday, 8:00 a.m.
- Office of Education in Bridgeport yesterday, discussed the concept of bringing together services and reducing costs. Took some time looking at space. If successful will be able to get out of two buildings; hope is to bring conceptual plan to the board in several weeks.
- Strategic Planning ongoing.

## 6. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS

*No one spoke.*

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

### A. Mono County Sheriff's Office Court Screener Positions

Departments: Sheriff

The Mono County Sheriff's Office would like to move forward in hiring at least one part-time Court Screener to maintain the agreement with the court system to provide court security for both the Mammoth Lakes and Bridgeport courts.

**Action:** Approval from the Board of Supervisors to move forward with Court Screener interviews to fulfill current positions within the Mono County Sheriff's Office.

**Stump moved; Fesko seconded**

**Vote: 5 yes; 0 no**

**M14-180**

### B. Letter of Support for the Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Tribe

Departments: Board of Supervisors

The Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Tribe is looking for a letter of support from the Board of Supervisors regarding their Fee to Trust Application for "Benton Station". This item is being sponsored by Supervisor Stump.

**Action:** Approve the Chairman's signature on a letter of support for the Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Tribe Fee to Trust Application for "Benton Station".

**Stump moved; No Second**

**Motion Fails**

**Pulled by Supervisor Johnston:**

- He's not comfortable offering support with such little information.
- Feels we need an agenda item; more information – maybe at next meeting. Asks that Board support this request.
- Agrees with Supervisor Stump that it probably is what it appears to be at face value.
- Just wants to make sure we're not heading down the wrong path.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- He concurs with Supervisor Johnston to put off till another meeting.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- He can tell the board that the property is already part of the tribe, it's just not in the trust

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which is what they are trying to do.

- Explained this property is located where the Benton Station is currently located.
- This request is different than their other request dealing with land transfer.
- He's comfortable with that with getting more information.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- Agrees it can move to another meeting.
- He also has questions.
- Concur postponing till next meeting.

C. Department of Health Care Services FY 2014/2015 Contract

Departments: Behavioral Health

This contract is sent each fiscal year for the purposes of funding Mono County Behavioral Health under the Mental Health Services Act. Proposition 63, which created the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), was approved by the voters of California on November 2, 2004. The Mental Health Services (MHS) Fund, which provides funds to counties for the implementation of its MHSA programs, was established pursuant to W&I section 5890. The MHSA was designed to expand California's public mental health programs and services through funding received by a one percent tax on incomes in excess of \$1 million. Counties use this funding for projects and programs for prevention and early intervention, community services and supports, workforce development and training, innovation, plus capital facilities and technological needs through mental health projects and programs. The State Controller distributes MHS Funds to the counties to plan for and provide mental health programs and other related activities outlined in a county's three-year program and expenditure plan or annual update. MHS Funds are distributed by the State Controller's Office to the counties on a monthly basis.

**Action:** Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize Robin K. Roberts, MFT to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

**Stump moved; Fesko seconded**

**Vote: 5 yes 0 no**

**M14-181**

D. Devils Postpile National Monument General Management Plan Comments

Departments: Board of Supervisors

Consider submitting comments regarding the Draft Devils Postpile National Monument General Management Plan and Environmental Assessment.

**Action:** Authorize Chair signature on comment letter regarding the Devils Postpile National Monument General Management Plan and Environmental Assessment.

**Stump moved; Fesko seconded**

**Vote: 5 yes; 0 no**

**M14-182**

8. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED (INFORMATIONAL)

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for review.

A. Theotig Correspondence Regarding Increased Trash around Lake Mary

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Letter dated 8/28/14, addressed to the Mammoth Lakes City Council (and copied to the Mono County Board of Supervisors) from Georgette Theotig of Tehachapi, voicing concern over increased trash in the Lake Mary area.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Photo submitted was unfortunate; not sure what the board can do about this.

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*The Board acknowledged receipt of the correspondence.*

9. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Budget Hearings

Departments: Finance/CAO

(Jim Leddy, Leslie Chapman) - Public hearing regarding Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Final Budget - Proposed resolution adopting the final Mono County budget FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2014. Also proposed resolution laying off employees in certain designated positions. To view the Final Budget Hearing Document, please visit the following link:

[http://monocounty.ca.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/auditor\\_-\\_controller/page/3210/fy\\_2014-15\\_proposed\\_final\\_budget.pdf](http://monocounty.ca.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/auditor_-_controller/page/3210/fy_2014-15_proposed_final_budget.pdf).

**Action:** Adopt proposed resolution #R14- 51, adopting the final Mono County Budget for fiscal year 2014-2015. Adopt proposed resolution #R14-52, laying off employees in certain designated positions. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Hunt moved; Alpers seconded**

**Vote: 5 yes; 2 no: Johnston and Fesko**

**R14-5**

**Hunt moved; Alpers seconded**

**Vote: 5 yes; 2 no: Johnston and Fesko**

**R14-52**

**Opened Public Hearing: 9:26 a.m.**

**COMPLETE AUDIO OF MEETING AVAILABLE ON CD BY REQUEST.**

**Jim Leddy:**

- Introduced item.
- At today's meeting we have a document representative of June's budget meetings.
- With county government, everything has to keep rolling forward.
- Trying to maintain core services as best we can; trying to be honest and realistic about what can be provided.
- Trying to bring costs in line with current resources.
- We have to do things smarter and different.
- We've been in a position of reduction for a long time.
- Explained the requested actions for today.

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**POWERPOINT:**

- 2014-2015 Budget Development. (Must have balanced budget to State by Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 2014-2015 Recommended Budget - \$65.9 million.
- County Staffing Trends.
- Reserves (meant for something we can't see).
- Cost Containment Strategies Labor, Redesign, Administrative).
- Alternative Labor Support.
- Recommended Budget – it's balanced.
- Recommended Budget – does not replenish reserves
- County Liabilities – Unmet Needs. (need money to grow the pie)
- Policy Items – Items from June 2014, this budget reflects recommendations by the board.
- Today's Requested Actions: Review final budget, Review Policy Items, Adopts Resolutions: Enacting 14-15 Budget and governing potential layoffs.
- Oct 7<sup>th</sup>: MOU and Side Agreement is coming to hopefully offset layoffs.
- Layoffs if they come to pass will be effective October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Questions/Comments.

**Leslie Chapman:**

- Purpose for having spreadsheet on screen is so that real time changes can be made with discussion.
- This spreadsheet memorializes what happened in June.

**BOARD DISCUSSION ON POLICY ITEMS:**

- **Contingencies: \$409,248**
- \$325,000 – Administrative Policy
- GF Reserve - \$0
- CARB set aside - \$300,000
- Park Improvement, Benton - \$2,000
  - Supervisor Johnston against due to potential layoffs.
- Park Improvement, Chalfant - \$2,000
  - Supervisor Johnston against due to potential layoffs.
- Prop Tax Admin Fee Refund - \$20,000
- Contributions to Non-Profits: TAKE OUT AND PUT INTO CONTINGENCIES
  - Supervisor Stump against due to potential layoffs; these contributions seem skewed to the southwest portions of the county – requests that this be suspended and re-examined.
  - Supervisor Alpers: asked how money is distributed to these organizations, would putting in suspensions damage individual groups? Supports suspending till mid-year.
  - Supervisor Hunt: sees this as a huge force driving our economic engine. He'd like more money put in there. He's in support of keeping as-is.
  - Supervisor Johnston: agrees with Supervisor Hunt. Would hate to see reduced any further.
  - Supervisor Fesko: Valid points on all sides; thanked MCPE employees; he's also willing to postpone this.
- First Responder Aid - \$150,000
- Behavioral Health - \$7,149
- Promote Appraiser's Aid to Administrative Services Specialist – \$6,145
- Temporary Intern (CDD) – TAKE OUT AND PUT INTO CONTINGENCIES
  - Supervisor Stump – wants to see this bumped to mid-year.
  - Supervisor Johnston – we can't keep saying one thing and doing another.
- Increase Permit Tech Hours - \$5,445
- Half-Time FTS Position (DA) - \$0
- Economic Development Asst , 9 months - \$60,989
- Fish Enhancement Program - \$138,541

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- Alpers – sees that this could be cut down at some point; thinks the county could back away from some of this funding in the future.
- Film Commission: \$5,000
- California State Fair: \$10,000
- Comm event marketing fund – \$20,000
- Trail Maintenance - \$8,000
- Air Service Subsidy - \$50,000
  - Supervisor Stump: should be suspended till next year. Has looked at agreement. Alaska airline is made whole by the mountain. He's willing to defer due to circumstances. Sometimes subsidies become entitlements.
  - Supervisor Fesko: this program will not go away if we don't support this. Doesn't support this although he's a huge proponent of economic development.
  - Supervisor Hunt: still supports this, being an economic player in the county. Is concerned that we aren't getting an accurate accounting. How about authorizing \$25,000 now and pushing \$25,000 off till mid-year. He will go for full \$50,000 but wants an agenda item to address accounting issue.
  - Supervisor Alpers: he supports this but does have an accounting issue.
  - Supervisor Johnston: every successful resort area in the nation has an airline component that they support. Agrees that accounting issue needs to be addressed. As an aside, it's not unanimous by this board that we're doing layoffs.
- Replace two cardiac monitors (EMS) - \$76,000
- Government Transparency Suite Software
- Financial System Upgrade plus additional modules
- Cemetery Fund (PW) - \$2,000
- Road Fund (PW) - \$448,317
- Conway Ranch Subsidy - \$16,355
- Fund 103 – Social Services - \$355,000
- Fund 103 – Social Services Senior Program - \$146,579
- Fund 103 – Social Services General Relief - \$19,256
- Corrections Officer Jail (Sheriff) - \$85,000

**NON GENERAL FUND POLICY ITEMS:**

- Reclassify Admin Services Specialist - \$22,159
- Drug Task Force Office Space - \$27,258
- Public Health – first two items yes
- Promote 2 Environmental Health Specialists from II to III - \$9,072
- Bay for Crowley Road Shop (PW) – bring back on October 7th
  - Supervisor Johnston – can't we use the Town's space?
- Replacement Vehicles - \$95,000
  - Jeff Walters – gave current explanation and amount being requested.
  - Supervisor Stump – recommended we adjust to \$95,000 for emergency vehicle.
- Oil Separator 50/50 road/motor - \$20,000
- Recycling Infrastructure and Program (SW) - \$100,000
- Solar panels and battery banks for landfill scales and printers (SW) - \$10,000
- Promote staff services analyst II to III - \$4,122
- Promote 2 social worker II to III - \$11,360

**Jim Leddy:**

- Explained recommended actions.
- Thanked Leslie and her staff again; can't thank them enough.
- Trying to create atmosphere where there is no fear; there are no bad ideas.
- These are the times that will help set us up for the future; hard time but we'll get through it. We have an awesome team in place.
- Need to embrace what can be.
- Openness needs to continue.

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- Asks that the Board passes budget
- We need to be very realistic about projections. We cannot over-project revenues.
- Will instruct staff to look at insurance for medics and SAR.

**Supervisor Stump:**

- Asked about public hearing – public needs to comment.
- Asked for liabilities clarification.
- Would have questions for Mammoth Housing.
- Asked that a “g” be added to anything grant related on the budget to make it stand out.
- 1/3 of the county is not eligible for paramedic insurance.
- \$1.7 million reserve – there have been suggestions that we use this money to help avoid layoffs. After watching disasters, he can’t support diverting that fund.
- Thanked everyone; MCPE folks.

**Supervisor Johnston:**

- Asked various questions about budget (full details available on audio cd).
- SAR idea – rescue insurance for when you go out into the wilderness. Would help cover SAR costs.
- Why have the reserves if we’re not going to use it in some judicious manner? Feels layoff notices are completely unnecessary; this was a matter of timing. We could’ve used a small portion of our reserves as a buffer.

**Supervisor Fesko:**

- Housing element question.
- Need to ask whether the county should be in the rental market? Need as item on Housing Authority meeting.
- Talked about lighting.
- Brought up idea of paramedic insurance as well.
- Also thanked everyone; thanked MCPE employees who are being asked beyond what others are being asked to do. Hoping to avoid layoffs.

**Supervisor Hunt:**

- Thanked everyone for participating in the process; it’s been a good process.

**Supervisor Alpers:**

- Concur with what everyone else says.
- Tough times don’t last, tough people do.

**Leslie Chapman:**

- Answered in depth questions asked about budget (full details available on audio cd).
- Explained fund numbers, which are general fund and which are non-general fund.

**Marshall Rudolph:**

- He believes there is some billing that is attempted when SAR rescues occur outside of the county.
- Feels the research to look at SAR vs. paramedic insurance is basically the same.

**Sheriff Obenberger:**

- Explained billing for SARS, etc.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE**

**PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED: 12:25 p.m.**

10. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

*No one spoke.*

11. CLOSED SESSION

*There was nothing to report out of closed session on items 11b or 11c. On Item 11a, the appointment of Clerk-Recorder, candidate Bob Musil was chosen.*

*Vote was as follows:*

*3 yes: Alpers, Hunt and Johnston; 0 no; 2 abstain: Fesko and Stump.*

A. Closed Session - Public Employment - Clerk-Recorder

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PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Government Code section 54957. Title: Clerk-Recorder.

B. Closed Session--Human Resources

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, and Jim Leddy. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt).  
Unrepresented employees: All.

C. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: U.S. and Walker River Paiute Tribe v. Walker River Irrigation District, et al. Subfiles C-125B and C-125:C.

REGULAR AFTERNOON SESSION COMMENCES AT 2:00 P.M.

12. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

*No one spoke.*

13. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON

A. Continuation of Budget Hearings

Departments: Finance/CAO

**NOT NEEDED – ITEM COMPLETED DURING REGULAR MORNING SESSION.**

ADJOURN 3:35 p.m.

ATTEST

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LARRY K. JOHNSTON  
CHAIRMAN

\_\_\_\_\_  
SHANNON KENDALL  
SR. DEPUTY CLERK

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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Board of Supervisors**

**TIME REQUIRED**      10 minutes

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**                      Susi Bains

**SUBJECT**                      Proclamation for Domestic Violence  
Awareness Month

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proclamation designating October, 2014 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This item is being sponsored by Supervisor Hunt.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve proclamation designating October, 2014 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

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**PROCLAMATION BY THE  
MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
DECLARING OCTOBER 2014 AS  
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, the family is the base of a safe and healthy community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mono County Board of Supervisors continues to consider the safety and health of their residents of the utmost importance; and

**WHEREAS**, the physical, financial and psychological impact of domestic violence has devastating, long term effects on our neighbors and community; and

**WHEREAS**, the epidemic of domestic violence affects all citizens of Mono County , crossing all social, economic, religious, ethnic, geographic, and racial groups; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic violence is a serious problem in Mono County, where in Fiscal Year 2013/14, 124 Mono County victims of domestic violence received services;

**WHEREAS**, when even one man, woman, or child is hurt at the hands of someone they trust, it is one too many; and

**WHEREAS**, it is our responsibility to treat victims of domestic violence with dignity, compassion, and respect;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, in recognition of the impact that domestic violence has on the health and well being of our community; that the Mono County Board of Supervisors proclaims October 2014 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, we reaffirm the commitment of the Mono County Board of Supervisors to healthy relationships in our community. We urge all citizens and employees to engage the resources necessary to protect victims of domestic violence and their families. Citizens should commit to becoming familiar with the resources and programs available. This month let us remember the victims of domestic violence, celebrate those who choose to take a stand, and work together to eliminate violence in our families, homes and community.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014 by the Mono County Board of Supervisors.

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Larry Johnston, Supervisor District #1

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Fred Stump, Supervisor District #2

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Tim Alpers, Supervisor District #3

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Timothy Fesko, Supervisor District #4

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Byng Hunt, Supervisor District #5



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Community Development**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              Mono Basin RPAC Appointment

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Appointment of new member to the Mono Basin Regional Planning Advisory Committee.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Appoint Margy Verba to the Mono Basin Regional Planning Advisory Committee, as recommended by Supervisor Alpers. Her term will expire on 12/31/2015.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

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**CONTACT NAME:** Scott Burns

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October 7, 2014

**To:** Mono County Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Scott Burns, for Tim Alpers, Supervisor  
**Subject:** Mono Basin Regional Planning Advisory Committee Member Appointment

### Recommendation

Consider appointment of one new member, Margy Verba, to the Mono Basin Regional Advisory Planning Committee, as recommended by Supervisor Alpers.

### Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impacts are expected.

### Discussion

Supervisor Alpers, District 3, requests Board consideration of his recommendation for membership and term for the Mono Basin Regional Planning Advisory Committee (10 members total including Margy, one vacancy).

New member recommended for appointment:  
terms):

Terms to Expire (all two-year

Margy Verba  
(will fill one vacancy)

12-31-15

Other existing members (for information):

Paul McFarland  
Lisa Cutting  
Tim Hansen  
Mark Logan

12-31-15  
12-31-15  
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Bartshe Miller  
Katie Bellomo  
Zane Davis  
Chris Lizza  
Ilene Mandelbaum

12-31-14  
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If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Supervisor Alpers or Scott Burns at 924-1807.

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**RPAC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

This application is for membership in the following RPAC (choose one):

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antelope Valley   | <input type="checkbox"/> June Lake CAC (Citizens Advisory Committee) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benton/Hammil     | <input type="checkbox"/> Long Valley                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bridgeport Valley | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mono Basin                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chalfant Valley   | <input type="checkbox"/> Paradise/Wheeler Crest                      |

Name: Margaret Verba

Address: 652 E. Mono Lake Dr. / P.O. Box 88

City/State/Zip: Lee Vining, CA 93541

Phone (day): 760-920-2284 Phone (eve.): same

E-mail: margyverba@hotmail.com

Occupation/Business: Therapeutic Bodywork / Neurokinetic Therapist

Special interests or concerns about the community:  
Local economy; Public health from an exercise  
and nutrition perspective; conservation;  
harmony amongst residents

Signature  Date 6/5/14



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Community Development**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              Appointment of Bridgeport Valley  
Regional Planning Advisory  
Committee (RPAC) Member

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Appointment of John A. Migliore to the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) to a new two-year term expiring in January 2017.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Appoint John A. Migliore to the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) to a new two-year term expiring in January 2017.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impacts are expected.

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**CONTACT NAME:** Wendy Sugimura

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October 7, 2014

**To:** Mono County Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Wendy Sugimura, Associate Analyst, for Tim Fesko, Supervisor  
**Subject:** Appointment of Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) Member

### Action Requested

Appoint John A. Migliore to the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) to a new two-year term expiring in January 2017.

### Fiscal/Mandates Impact

No fiscal impacts are expected.

### Discussion

Supervisor Fesko, District 4, requests Board consideration of his recommendation to appoint John. A. Migliore to the Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee. Mr. Migliore states in his application, "As a resident and concerned citizen, I would like to participate in assisting the RPAC to ensure everything possible is done to improve the economic condition of Bridgeport. I believe this can be accomplished through improvement of the town's appearance, increasing awareness of tourist attractions and encouraging business growth."

The RPAC has recently had one resignation, and this appointment keeps the membership at a total of nine.

New members recommended for appointment:

John A. Migliore

Terms to Expire:

1-31-17

Re-appointments of existing members:

Mike Booher

1-31-16

Jeff Hunewill

1-31-16

Bob Peters

1-31-16

Erinn Wells

1-31-16

Barry Beck

1-31-17

Gene Kinum

1-31-17

Steve Noble

1-31-17

Benny Romero

1-31-17

If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Supervisor Fesko or Wendy Sugimura at 924-1814.



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Public Health**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              WIC (Women, Infants and Children)  
Contract

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed contract, 14-10260, between the California Department of Public Health and the Mono County Health Department WIC (Women, Infant and Children) Program pertaining to the provision of services in this program.

To view attachments associated with this item, please click on the link below and look under "additional documents". Copies of attachments are also available in the clerk's office: <http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/bos/event/board-supervisors-64>

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve County entry into proposed contract and authorize Larry K. Johnson, Chair, to sign and execute said contract on behalf of the County. Provide any desired direction to staff.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

Fiscal award to Mono County WIC Program in the amount of \$262,070. for Fiscal Year 2014/15, October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

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**CONTACT NAME:** Lynda Salcido

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Lynda Salcido, Public Health/EMS Director, WIC Director

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### MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:

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# COUNTY of MONO

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**Date:** September 25, 2014

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Lynda Salcido, Public Health Director

**Subject:** WIC Local Agency Standard Agreement Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2014-2015

**Recommended Action:** Approve and authorize Board Chair, Larry K. Johnson, to sign the WIC Local Agency Standard Agreement for Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2014-2015, Agreement Number 14-10260.

**Discussion:** The California State WIC Program is a federally funded program that provides nutrition education, referral services to medical and social service agencies, and supplemental foods for pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants, and children (up to age five). The WIC program is designed to provide supplemental resources to WIC eligible individuals at nutritionally vulnerable times of life and to help reduce the risk of medical problems because of a lack of nutritious foods or information about nutrition. To be eligible to receive WIC services, an individual or family must: 1) have an income at 185percent or less of the federal poverty income guidelines; 2) reside in the state of California; 3) be at nutritional risk as determined by a health professional or certified WIC Nutrition Assistant(WNA); and 4) be categorically eligible in one of the following categories; pregnant women; breastfeeding women up to one year after childbirth; postpartum women up to six months after childbirth; infants from birth to one year of age; and children one to five years of age.

**Fiscal Impact:** Upon approval of this contract, Mono County will receive \$262, 070 for fiscal year 2014-15.

For questions regarding this item, please call Lynda Salcido at 924-1842.

Submitted by:

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Lynda Salcido, Public Health/EMS Director



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**REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST**

Print

**MEETING DATE**     October 7, 2014

**Departments: Public Health**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**             Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health  
Agreement Funding Application for  
FY 2014-15

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed Funding Application for the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health (MCAH) Program for FY 2014-15.

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve Funding Application for the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health (MCAH) Program for FY 2014-15, and authorize Public Health Director to execute any contract documents or amendments related to said funding application, provided they are consistent with the application and are approved as to form by county counsel.

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact on the County General Fund. MCAH funding is a mix of federal and local public health realignment dollars. The local funding is required by the Federal Government to draw down the Title XIX funds. The MCAH budget for FY 2014-15 is \$115,643, from the following funding sources: Federal Title V \$75,008, Federal Title XIX \$40,634, and Local Health Realignment \$49,002.

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Lynda Salcido  
Pat McGee

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**MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:**

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DATE: October 7, 2014  
TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Sandra Pearce, Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Director  
SUBJECT: **Maternal Child & Adolescent Health (MCAH)  
Agreement Funding Application (AFA) FY 2014-15**

**Recommendation:** That the Board of Supervisors approve and authorize the Chairman's signature on the Agreement Funding Application (AFA)/Update Form for the Maternal Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Program for FY 2013-14. Additionally, provide authorization for the Public Health Director to approve amendments and/or revisions that may occur during the contract period.

**Discussion:** For the past twenty-four years, the Health Department has contracted with the California Department of Public Health for the local Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Program in Mono County. The six goals of the MCAH program include the following:

- Improve Outreach and Access to Quality Health and Human Services
- Improve Maternal Health
- Improve Infant Health
- Improve Nutrition and Physical Activity
- Improve Child Health
- Improve Adolescent Health

To achieve these goals, the MCAH program collaborates with local organizations/agencies and provides a variety of services including but not limited to; prenatal outreach and education, teen pregnancy prevention, comprehensive sex education, SIDS education and prevention, nutrition and physical activity outreach and promotion, health care accessibility, and variety of other endeavors to support the health needs of our local residents.

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**Fiscal Impact/Budget Projections:** There is no fiscal impact on the County General Fund. MCAH funding is a mix of federal and local public health realignment dollars. The local funding is required by the Federal Government to draw down the Title XIX funds.

The MCAH budget for FY 2014-15 is \$115,643, from the following funding sources:

Federal Title V	\$75,008
Federal Title XIX	\$40,634
Local Health Realignment	<u>\$49,002</u>
Total	<b>\$115,643</b>

For questions regarding this item, please call Sandra Pearce at (760) 924-1818 or Lynda Salcido at (760) 924-1842.

Submitted by: Sandra Pearce, MCAH Director

Reviewed by: Lynda Salcido, Public Health Director



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Behavioral Health**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              Substance Use Services Disorder  
Contract with the Department of  
Health Care Services

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed standard agreement amendment (Agreement No. 12-89232) with Department of Health Care Services allows for providing covered Drug Medi-Cal services for substance use treatment in Mono County by Mono County Behavioral Health.

To view attachments associated with this item, please click on the link below and look under "additional documents". Copies of attachments are also available in the clerk's office: <http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/bos/event/board-supervisors-64>

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve County entry into proposed standard agreement amendment (Agreement No. 12-89232) with Department of Health Care Services and authorize Robin K. Roberts, MFT to execute said agreement amendment on behalf of the County.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to the General Fund. Drug Medi-Cal Funds= \$2387.00 and SAPT Funds=\$392,257.00 to Mono County Behavioral Health to provide services and prevention to Mono County.

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**CONTACT NAME:** Robin Roberts

**PHONE/EMAIL:** 760.924.1740 / rroberts@mono.ca.gov

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MONO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH, ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAMS

# COUNTY OF MONO

P.O. BOX 2619 • MAMMOTH LAKES, CA 93546 (760) 924-1740 • FAX (760) 924-1741

**TO:** Mono County Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Robin K. Roberts, Behavioral Health Director

**DATE:** September 22, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Approve Contract with Department of Health Care Services for Substance Use Disorder Services

**DISCUSSION:**

This contract is set forth by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) in an attempt to reconcile their agreement with Counties regarding Substance Use Disorder budgets and non-Medi-Cal Substance Use Treatment Services. As DHCS continues to integrate the two former departments, Department of Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Department of Mental Health, there will be a series of agreements and contracts that need to be revised. This contract revision is for the time period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2014.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact to the Mono County General Fund.

This contract is to amend previous years and does not impact revenue to Mono County Behavioral Health.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

Robin K. Roberts, Director of Behavioral Health

760.924.1740



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**REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST**

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Behavioral Health**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**                      Performance Contract Revisions with  
Department of Health Care Services

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed standard agreements with Department of Health Care Services (Agreement Nos. 13-90320 and 14-09332) This are revision contracts regarding performance requirements for the Fiscal Years 13/14 and 14/15. The California Department of Health Care Services (hereafter referred to as DHCS or Department) administers the Mental Health Services Act, Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) and Community Mental Health Services Grant (MHBG) programs and oversees county provision of community mental health services provided with realignment funds. Contractor (hereafter referred to as County in this Exhibit) must meet certain conditions and requirements to receive funding for these programs and community mental health services. These Agreements, which are the County's performance contracts, as required by Welfare and Institutions Code (W&I) sections 5650(a), 5847, and Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR), section 3310, sets forth conditions and requirements that County must meet in order to receive this funding. These Agreements do not cover federal financial participation or State general funds as they relate to Medi-Cal services provided through the Mental Health Plan Contracts. County agrees to comply with all of the conditions and requirements described herein.

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve County entry into proposed standard agreements with the Department of Health Care Services (Agreement Nos. 13-90320 and 14-09332) and authorize Robin K. Roberts to execute said agreements on behalf of the County. Provide any desired direction to staff.

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None to Mono County General Fund. This contract is for performance requirements and does not impact revenue for the Behavioral Health Department.

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**CONTACT NAME:** Robin Roberts

**PHONE/EMAIL:** 760-924-1740 / rroberts@mono.ca.gov

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9/30/2014 1:08 PM	County Administrative Office	Yes
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MONO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH, ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAMS

# COUNTY OF MONO

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**TO:** Mono County Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Robin K. Roberts, Behavioral Health Director  
**DATE:** September 22, 2014

**SUBJECT:**

Approve Performance Contracts with Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for Mental Health Services, Fiscal Years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015.

**DISCUSSION:**

These contracts are to revise and complete the Fiscal Years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 between Mono County Behavioral Health and the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) with regard to performance requirements. As DHCS continues to integrate the two former departments, Department of Alcohol and Drug Prevention and Department of Mental Health, there will be a series of agreements and contracts that need to be revised.

The California Department of Health Care Services (hereafter referred to as DHCS or Department) administers the Mental Health Services Act, Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) and Community Mental Health Services Grant (MHBG) programs and oversees county provision of community mental health services provided with realignment funds. Contractor (hereafter referred to as County in this Exhibit) must meet certain conditions and requirements to receive funding for these programs and community mental health services. These Agreements, which is County's performance contracts, as required by Welfare and Institutions Code (W&I) sections 5650(a), 5847, and Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR), section 3310, sets forth conditions and requirements that County must meet in order to receive this funding. These Agreements do not cover federal financial participation or State general funds as they relate to Medi-Cal services provided through the Mental Health Plan Contracts. County agrees to comply with all of the conditions and requirements described herein. DHCS shall monitor these Agreements to ensure compliance with applicable federal and State law and applicable regulations (W&I §§ 5650 and 5651.)

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact to the Mono County General Fund.  
This contract is related to performance requirements only and does not impact revenue to Mono County Behavioral Health.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

  
Robin K. Roberts, Director of Behavioral Health, Contact: 760.924.1740



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**     October 7, 2014

**Departments: CAO/HR**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**             First Amendment re Employment of  
Franklin Smith

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed resolution approving First Amendment re Employment contract with Franklin Smith as Chief Investigator, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Resolution #R\_\_\_\_\_, approving an agreement and first amendment re amendment re employment of Franklin Smith, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chairman to execute said contract on behalf of the County.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of this position for the remainder of FY 2014-2015 is approximately \$229,624 of which \$102,460 is salary; \$94,303 is the employer portion of PERS, and \$32,861 is the cost of the benefits and is included in the approved budget. Total cost for a full fiscal year would be \$275,949 of which \$122,952 is salary; \$113,164 is the employer portion of PERS and \$39,433 is the cost of benefits.

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**CONTACT NAME:** Stacie Klemm

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### MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:

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- [First Amendment re Employment Contract Franklin Smith](#)

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## ***COUNTY OF MONO – County Administrative Office***

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Jim Leddy  
*County Administrative Officer*  
760.932.5414

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Jim Leddy, County Administrative Officer  
Stacie Klemm, County Administrator's Office

**Date:** September 30, 2014

**Subject:** First Amendment to the At-will employment agreement of Franklin Smith.

**Recommendation:** Approve the First Amendment to the At-Will Employment Agreement of Franklin Smith, promoting him to the position of Chief Investigator, at a salary of \$10,246 per month.

**Background:** On August 28, 2014, Wade McCammond, then Chief Investigator, left county employment. On September 2, 2014, Frank Smith was promoted into the Chief Investigator position. Mr. Smith has been an Investigator with the District Attorney's Office for the past 9 years and in addition has a total of over 23 years of law enforcement experience.

The position of investigator will remain vacant until a full recruitment is completed. In addition, due to District Attorney Kendall's efforts to be less reliant on General Fund sources, the Investigator position will be funded with non-General Fund sources – grants of varying sources. Along with handling a major case load, Mr. Smith also currently heads up several specialized units within the District Attorney's Office.

**Discussion:** The approval of this contract allows Franklin Smith to serve the County in the position of Chief Investigator with a monthly salary of \$10,246.

**Fiscal Impact:** The cost of this position for the remainder of FY 2014-2015 is approximately \$229,624 of which \$102,460 is salary; \$94,303 is the employer portion of PERS, and \$32,861 is the cost of the benefits and is included in the approved budget. Total cost for a full fiscal year would be \$275,949 of which \$122,952 is salary; \$113,164 is the employer portion of PERS and \$39,433 is the cost of benefits.



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**RESOLUTION NO. R14-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVING AN AGREEMENT AND FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT RE EMPLOYMENT OF FRANKLIN SMITH AND PRESCRIBING THE COMPENSATION, APPOINTMENT, AND CONDITIONS OF SAID EMPLOYMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Mono County Board of Supervisors has the authority under Section 25300 of the Government Code to prescribe the compensation, appointment, and conditions of employment of County employees;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mono County Board of Supervisors, that the Agreement and First Amendment to Agreement re Employment of Franklin Smith, a copy of which is attached hereto as an exhibit and incorporated herein by this reference as though fully set forth, is hereby approved and the compensation, appointment, and other terms and conditions of employment set forth in that amended Agreement are hereby prescribed and shall govern the employment of Franklin Smith. The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors shall execute said Agreement on behalf of the County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES :  
NOES :  
ABSTAIN :  
ABSENT :

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board

\_\_\_\_\_  
Larry K. Johnston , Chairman  
Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COUNTY COUNSEL

**AGREEMENT AND FIRST AMENDMENT TO  
AGREEMENT RE EMPLOYMENT  
OF FRANKLIN W. SMITH**

This Agreement and First Amendment is entered into this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2014, by and between Franklin W. Smith and the County of Mono (sometimes referred to herein collectively as "the parties") for the purpose of amending that certain Agreement re Employment of Franklin W. Smith.

**I. RECITALS**

- A. The County currently employs Franklin W. Smith in accordance with an employment agreement entered into on or about December 1, 2014, which would expire on November 30, 2016 (referred to herein as "the Agreement").
- B. The parties wish to amend the Agreement to effectuate a change in Mr. Smith's employment position and compensation.

**II. AGREEMENT**

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. Effective September 2, 2014, Mr. Smith's employment position is changed to "Chief Investigator" and all references in the Agreement to Mr. Smith's former job title as "District Attorney Investigator" are hereby amended to instead read "Chief Investigator".
- 2. The first sentence of Section 3 of the Agreement is amended to read as follows: "Effective September 2, 2014, Mr. Smith's salary shall be \$10,246 per month." Any other benefits received by Mr. Smith that are calculated using base salary (e.g., CalPers and 401(a) contributions) shall be adjusted accordingly.
- 3. All other provisions of the Agreement not hereby amended shall remain in full force and effect.

**[INTENTIONALLY BLANK]**

**III. EXECUTION:**

The parties hereby execute this Agreement and First Amendment as of the date first written above.

FRANKLIN W. SMITH

THE COUNTY OF MONO

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By: Larry K. Johnston, Chair  
Board of Supervisors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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County Counsel



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Board of Supervisors**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              Amendment to Management Benefits  
Policy

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed amendment to Management Benefits Policy, increasing the amounts contributed by affected officers and employees toward their medical insurance premiums to match the amounts generally being contributed at this time by other County employees.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt proposed Resolution R14-\_\_\_\_, a resolution of the Mono County Board of Supervisors amending the policy regarding benefits of management-level officers and employees.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

Countywide savings of \$10,400 for the remainder of 2014-15. Annual Countywide savings of \$15,600. Of that approximately \$13,500 is general fund savings.

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YES  NO

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- [Resolution amending management benefits policy](#)

[Amended Management Benefits Policy](#)

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9/29/2014 9:42 AM	County Administrative Office	Yes
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**Assistant County Counsel**  
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**Legal Assistant**  
Jennifer Senior

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Marshall Rudolph

DATE: October 7, 2014

RE: Resolution approving an amended management benefits policy

**Recommendation:**

Adopt proposed resolution.

**Fiscal/Mandates Impact:**

Countywide savings of \$10,400 for the remainder of 2014-15. Annual Countywide savings of \$15,600. Of that approximately \$13,500 is general fund savings.

**Discussion:**

The Management Benefits Policy sets forth the benefits applicable to most management-level officers and employees. It is amended from time to time in the Board's discretion, most recently in 2013. The proposed amended policy would increase the amounts to be contributed by affected officers and employee toward their medical insurance premiums to match the amounts generally being contributed at this time by other County employees. The adopting resolution provides that the amendment would take effect immediately and be implemented as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable.

Please contact me with any questions or comments.



**MONO COUNTY POLICY REGARDING  
BENEFITS OF MANAGEMENT-LEVEL  
OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**  
*(As amended October 7, 2014)*

ARTICLE 1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this policy is to memorialize the non-salary benefits generally provided by the County to its management-level officers and employees. Additional, different, or even lesser benefits may be specified and benefits may also be waived or excluded pursuant to the express terms of a written agreement between an employee and the County. In the event and to the extent that a conflict exists between any provision of this policy and such an agreement, the terms of the agreement shall prevail as to that employee. Certain benefits set forth herein (e.g., vacation and sick leave) are, by their nature, only appropriate or legally available for employees, as opposed to elected officials, due to legal differences between the natures of employees and elected officials. Where such differences exist, they are specifically noted in the policy. The Board of Supervisors may amend this policy from time to time after meeting and conferring to the extent (if any) required by law.

ARTICLE 2. COVERED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

This policy applies to the following County officers and employees:

- elected and appointed department/agency heads, including the county counsel and the county administrative officer
- members of the board of supervisors
- management-level deputies and assistants of such department/agency heads serving under individual at-will employment agreements with the County
- certain other management-level employees serving under individual at-will employment agreements with the County, including but not limited to the following: Animal Control Director, Building Official, Associate Engineer III, Senior Engineer, District Attorney Chief Investigator, Director of Financial Operations for Health and Human Services, Payroll and Benefits Manager, Public Works Project Manager, Mental Health Program Manager, Mental Health Program Chief, Health Officer, and Psychiatrist.

The policy shall not apply to any independent contractor, nor to any person who serves the County pursuant to a contract with another public agency. Furthermore, as noted above in Article I, the express terms of an individual employment agreement applicable to one of the foregoing officers or employees may exclude various benefits or provide for lesser, different, or waived benefits, and such terms shall prevail over any provision of this policy. Finally, note that the County may, in its discretion, extend or otherwise apply any of the principles of this policy to officers or employees other than those expressly mentioned above.

### ARTICLE 3. HEALTH, LIFE, AND DISABILITY INSURANCE

- A. Each covered officer and employee and his or her dependents are entitled to health care benefits as provided in this Article and Articles 4 and 5.
- B. "Health care benefits" means the medical, dental, and eye-care benefits provided to covered officers and employees and their dependents by the County pursuant to this Policy.
- C. The County shall continue to participate in the CalPERS medical insurance program on behalf of covered officers and employees.
- D. The County shall pay only the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 per officer or employee per month for CalPERS medical insurance.
- E. Life Insurance

The County shall provide covered officers and employees with term life insurance in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), applicable during their active service to the County (not after their retirement or other termination of employment or service).

- F. Disability Insurance (Not Applicable to Elected Officers)

The County shall assure that all covered employees are enrolled in the State Disability Insurance (SDI) program at County expense. The County shall pay all such premiums as are necessary to provide SDI benefits to covered employees. When the covered employee has filed a disability claim and is receiving disability benefits pursuant to the SDI program, the County shall continue paying:

- (1) Monthly contributions into the Cafeteria Plan based on the

employee's applicable tier (See Article 6); and

- (2) The medical portion of Social Security.

G. Health Care Coverage for Retirees

- (1) The County shall pay the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 per month for each retiree who enrolls in CalPERS medical insurance, regardless of their age or years of continuous service for the County. A "retiree" is a former covered officer or employee whom CalPERS considers to be a County retiree/annuitant.
- (2) Each "retired officer or employee" (as defined below) and one dependent of a retired officer or employee shall also be given the same dental and eye-care benefits provided to covered officers and employees in Paragraph A of this Article.
- (3) "Retired officer or employee" means a former County officer or employee who was age fifty (50) or older and held permanent employment status or was holding elected county office on the date of his or her retirement, and who had accrued at least five (5) years continuous service with the County immediately preceding the date of retirement, or, if the officer or employee was hired or elected after January 1, 1986, who has accrued at least ten (10) years continuous service prior to retirement, or, if the officer or employee was hired or elected after July 1, 1987, who has accrued at least fifteen (15) years continuous service prior to retirement; or, if the employee was hired or elected after January 1, 1996, who was age fifty-five (55) or older and held permanent employment status or was in elected office on the date of retirement and who had accrued at least twenty (20) years continuous service immediately prior to retirement. With respect to any elected official who was a county employee immediately preceding his or her first election to office, the official's tier under this definition shall be based on his or her date of hire as an employee and his or her years of prior service as a county employee shall be counted along with years of service as a county officer, provided all such service was continuous.
- (4) Any benefits after retirement under this Section G of Article 3 will be the same as benefits for active officers and employees. In other words, all benefits will change as the benefits of active officers and employees change.

#### ARTICLE 4. DENTAL CARE PLAN

The County shall implement and extend coverage under any County Dental Plan to all covered officers and employees and their dependents with the understanding that the County shall retain total discretion regarding carrier and plan content, and with the further understanding that the County Dental Care Plan as now constituted shall be the minimum base coverage. The coverage provided by this Article shall extend to retired officers and employees (as defined above in Article 3), together with one dependent.

#### ARTICLE 5. VISION CARE PLAN

The County shall implement and extend coverage under its Vision Services Plan (VSP Plan C: \$10.00 deductible) to all covered officers and employees and their dependents with the understanding that the County shall retain discretion regarding carrier and plan content, and with the further understanding that the County Vision Plan as now constituted shall be the minimum base coverage. This coverage shall extend to retired officers and employees (as defined above in Article 3), together with one dependent.

#### ARTICLE 6. CAFETERIA PLAN

- A. With respect to any officer or full-time employee and any part-time employee who is enrolled in CalPERS medical insurance, the COUNTY will contribute into the Cafeteria Plan an amount exactly equal to the PERS Choice premium for the coverage tier in which the officer or employee is enrolled (i.e., single, two-party, or family), minus the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 paid by the COUNTY directly to PERS on behalf of that officer or employee and also minus the amount specified below, which shall be contributed by the officer or employee:

Employee/Officer Contribution	
Single:	\$25.00/month
Two-Party:	\$50.00/month
Family:	\$100.00/month

The COUNTY will ensure that the amount paid, when combined with the officer or employee contribution (if applicable) and the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892, is sufficient to cover the PERS Choice premium regardless of the state or COUNTY in which the officer or employee resides, but in no event will the COUNTY be obligated to pay an amount that would exceed the minimum amount necessary for the COUNTY to ensure coverage for that officer or employee or which would result in that officer or employee receiving cash back. Note also that the County's obligation to contribute any amount into

the Cafeteria Plan is conditioned on the officer or employee authorizing a payroll deduction for their required contribution (if applicable).

- B. Part-Time Employees: With respect to any part-time employee hired after September 1, 2011, who is enrolled in CalPERS medical insurance, the COUNTY will contribute into the Cafeteria Plan one of the following reduced percentages of the PERS Choice premium for the coverage tier in which the employee is enrolled, minus the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 paid by the COUNTY directly to PERS on behalf of that employee (\$108.00 for 2011):

Less than .5 FTE:	0% (No County contribution)
.5 - .74 FTE:	50% of the PERS Choice Premium
.75 FTE - .9 FTE:	75% of the PERS Choice Premium

Such FTE status shall be based on the County's official list of allocated positions maintained by the County Administrative Office; it shall not be based on actual hours worked in a given month. The additional monthly amount necessary for the medical coverage tier selected by a part-time employee shall be contributed by that employee through a payroll deduction (authorized by the employee). Note also that the County's obligation to contribute any amount into the Cafeteria Plan is conditioned on the covered employee authorizing a payroll deduction for their required contribution. This subsection (B) shall also apply to any full-time employee whose position is changed to part-time status on the list of allocated positions after September 1, 2011, or who transfers to such a position after September 1, 2011; the COUNTY's contribution to the Cafeteria Plan with respect to that employee shall be based on the reduced percentages set forth above until such a time, if at all, that they return to a position allocated as full-time.

- C. With respect to any officer or employee who is not enrolled in CalPERS medical coverage for their applicable tier, but who provides the COUNTY with proof of medical coverage under an insurance plan providing at least the same level of benefits available from CalPERS under the Cafeteria Plan, the COUNTY shall contribute to the Cafeteria Plan three hundred dollars (\$300) per month for that non-enrolled officer or employee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no officer or employee (regardless of date of assuming office or date of hire) shall be eligible to receive a contribution to the Cafeteria Plan under this subsection D unless they were already receiving such a contribution prior to August 1, 2011.

#### ARTICLE 7. 401(a) PLAN.

- A. Any covered officer or employee originally hired or elected on or after January 1, 2002, shall not be eligible to earn or receive the retirement

service benefit provided by Article 8, but shall instead be eligible to receive County contributions into an Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a) Plan established by the County, as described more fully below. Any active officer or employee who was originally hired or elected prior to January 1, 2002, may also elect to receive County contributions into a Section 401(a) Plan under this Article, but only if he or she agrees to waive and relinquish any present or future rights he or she may have to receive the retirement service benefit provided by Article 8.

B. The County has established and fully implemented an Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a) Plan consistent with this Article. The County shall contribute into the Section 401(a) Plan an amount on behalf of each officer or employee electing to participate under this Article 10 equal to the amount contributed by that officer or employee from his or her own pre-tax salary into one of the County’s Section 457 deferred compensation plans or into the 401(a) Plan directly (if made available to officer or employee contributions) but not to exceed 3% of the officer or employee’s pre-tax salary. Accordingly, if a officer or employee contributed a total of 1-3% of his or her pre-tax salary to a 457 plan, then the dollar amount of the County’s 401(a) contribution would fully match the officer or employee’s 457 contribution; if an officer or employee contributed more than 3% of his or her pre-tax salary to a 457 plan, then the dollar amount of the County’s 401(a) contribution would only be equal to 3% (and not more) of the officer’s or employee’s pre-tax salary and would not fully match the officer’s or employee’s 457 contribution. The employee may direct the investment of said contributions in accordance with the options or limitations provided by the 401(a) Plan. Each such employees shall vest -- that is, earn the right to withdraw - The County’s contributions into the 401(a) Plan on their behalf based on years of County service, as set forth more fully below.

C. The 401(a) Plan implementing this Article shall provide the following schedule of vesting requirements for any participating employee to earn and be eligible to withdraw or otherwise receive a portion (or in some cases all) of his or her total account value at the time of termination:

Years of County Service	Portion of Account Value Vested
Less than 1 year	0%
1 year plus 1 day to 2 years	10%
2 years plus 1 day to 3 years	20%
3 years plus 1 day to 4 years	40%
4 years plus 1 day to 5 years	60%

5 years plus 1 day but less than 6 years	80%
6 years	100%

- D. In addition to and notwithstanding the foregoing, officers' or employees' options for withdrawing, "rolling over," and otherwise using account money -- and the tax consequences of such withdrawals and use -- shall be subject to any legal requirements or limitations of Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a) and any other applicable laws with which the County and the Plan must comply.

ARTICLE 8. RETIREMENT SERVICE (Applicable only to certain officers or employees who retired or were on the County payroll prior to January 1, 2002).

- A. Each retired officer or employee who was on the County payroll prior to January 1, 2002, and was an officer or employee at the time of retirement will be eligible for a flexible credit allowance under the County's Section 125 Cafeteria Plan (See Article 6), unless he or she has at any time prior to retirement opted to participate in the County's Section 401(a) Plan (See Article 7).
- B. "Retired officer or employee" means a former County officer or employee who was age fifty (50) or older and held permanent employment status or was holding elected county office on the date of his or her retirement, and who had accrued at least five (5) years continuous service with the County immediately preceding the date of retirement, or, if the officer or employee was hired or elected after January 1, 1986, who has accrued at least ten (10) years continuous service prior to retirement, or, if the officer or employee was hired or elected after July 1, 1987, who has accrued at least fifteen (15) years continuous service prior to retirement; or, if the officer or employee was hired or elected after January 1, 1996, who was age fifty-five (55) or older and held permanent employment status or was in elected office on the date of retirement and who had accrued at least twenty (20) years continuous service immediately prior to retirement. With respect to any elected official who was a county employee immediately preceding his or her first election to office, the official's tier under this definition shall be based on his or her date of hire as an employee and his or her years of prior service as a county employee shall be counted along with years of service as a county officer, provided all such service was continuous.
- C. The amount of the flexible credit allowance shall be computed as follows:
  - (1) If the officer or employee retired after December 31, 2001, but

before September 1, 2011, then the amount of the flexible credit allowance shall be equal to the monthly amount contributed by the County per each active officer or employee to the County's Section 125 Cafeteria Plan (See Article VI), minus the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 paid by the County directly to PERS if the retired officer or employee is enrolled in CalPERS medical insurance, plus the County's contribution toward dental and vision coverage. In other words, the amount of the credit allowance will vary as the County's contribution to the Cafeteria Plan for its active officers and employees varies, and subject to the same limitations or qualifications applicable to active officers and employees, such as whether the retiree is enrolled in CalPERS medical insurance (in which case the credit allowance will be based on the "tier" into which that retiree falls minus the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 paid directly by the County to CalPERS). As with active officers and employees, any retiree who is not enrolled in CalPERS medical insurance during calendar year 2011 but who provides the County with written proof of comparable insurance shall only receive a credit allowance equal to the amount of the "single" tier contribution. As with active employees, effective January 1, 2012, any retiree who is not enrolled in CalPERS medical insurance but who provides the COUNTY with written proof of comparable insurance shall only receive a credit allowance equal to \$300 per month. Notwithstanding the foregoing, as with active employees, a retiree who is not enrolled in CalPERS medical but who provides the COUNTY with written proof of comparable insurance shall not be eligible to receive a credit allowance under this subsection (C)(1) unless they were already receiving such a credit allowance prior to August 1, 2011. Retired officers and employees governed by this paragraph shall be entitled to take cash back from the Cafeteria Plan to the fullest extent it may be provided without being inconsistent with this policy or threatening the plan's compliance with applicable laws, but as with active employees, the Cafeteria Plan shall specify that a retired employee may not take cash back unless he or she can provide the County with written proof of medical insurance coverage under an insurance plan providing at least the same level of benefits available from medical insurance plans offered through the Cafeteria Plan.

- (2) If the employee retires after September 1, 2011, and is enrolled in CalPERS medical insurance, then the amount of the flexible credit allowance shall be equal to the monthly amount of the PERS Choice

premium based on the residency and coverage tier in which the retiree is enrolled minus the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 (\$108.00 for 2011) per month paid by the COUNTY directly to PERS and minus the same monthly amount that the retiree was contributing toward their medical insurance premiums as an active employee immediately prior to their retirement. For example, if an employee was contributing \$50 per month toward his or her medical insurance as an active employee at the time of retirement, then that same fixed dollar amount shall be deducted from the flexible credit allowance paid to them as a retired employee pursuant to this subsection (C)(2). Note that under this formula, while the PERS Choice premium and the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 will vary over time (based on the then-current amounts), the amount deducted therefrom based on what the retiree was contributing as an active employee does not vary.

- (3) If the officer or employee retired before December 31, 2001, then the amount of the flexible credit that he or she is entitled to shall be equal to the amount of money necessary to obtain CalPERS medical insurance for the retired employee and his or her dependent with a level of benefits substantially the same as the officer or employee had on the date of his or her retirement, minus the statutory amount prescribed by Government Code section 22892 paid by the County directly to PERS for such insurance, plus the County contribution toward dental and vision coverage. In other words, the amount of the credit allowance will vary with changes in the cost of the applicable level of medical insurance. These retired officers or employees must be enrolled in the applicable level of CalPERS medical insurance in order to receive the flexible credit allowance and shall not be entitled under any circumstances to opt for other insurance coverage, no coverage, or reduced coverage in order to receive "unused" cash back from the Cafeteria Plan.

ARTICLE 9. VACATION ACCUMULATION (Not Applicable to Elected Officers)

- A. In accordance with the Mono County Code, covered employees shall accrue vacation benefits as follows:

Initial Employment.....15 days vacation per year  
After 10 years service.....17 days vacation per year  
After 15 years service.....19 days vacation per year

After 20 years service.....20 days vacation per year

For purposes of this benefit, a "day" means eight (8) hours. Said vacation days per year assumes full-time employment. Covered employees working less than a full-time schedule shall accrue a prorated amount of vacation days per year.

- B. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the maximum number of vacation days that may be accumulated by any employee as of December 31<sup>st</sup>, the end of the calendar year, shall not exceed two and one-half times the employee's then current annual vacation day accumulation as provided in Mono County Code Section 2.68.110(B).
- C. If a covered employee's total accumulated vacation days exceeds two and one-half times their annual vacation day accumulation on December 31, then their vacation accrual will cease effective January 1, until the covered employee's accumulation of vacation days falls at or below two and one-half times their annual accrual. Once the covered employee's accumulation of vacation days falls at or below two and one-half times their annual accrual, then their accrual of vacation days will recommence for the remainder of the calendar year.
- D. Any covered employees who have accrued a minimum of 80 vacation hours may, upon written request, be compensated for up to a maximum of 40 hours of accrued vacation time per calendar year, instead of taking that vacation time off.

ARTICLE 10. SICK LEAVE (Not Applicable To Elected Officers)

- A. In accordance with Mono County Code Section 2.68.100, sick leave for each covered employee shall accrue upon the employee's date of employment at the rate of one (1) full day of sick leave for each month of full-time service, to a maximum accrual of one hundred and twenty (120) sick leave days (960 hours). Part-time employees accrue a prorated amount. Upon termination, the employee shall be compensated for accrued sick leave as follows:
  - (1) If the employee has worked for the County for less than five (5) years, no amount shall be paid for accrued sick leave.
  - (2) If the employee has worked for the County for five (5) or more years, but less than ten (10) years, then the employee shall be paid

seventy-five percent (75%) of the dollar value of the accrued sick leave.

- (3) If the employee has worked for the County for ten (10) or more years, then the employee shall be paid one hundred percent (100%) of the dollar value of the accrued sick leave.

- C. The dollar value of the employee's accrued sick leave shall be based upon the employee's base compensation on the date of termination.

#### ARTICLE 11. MERIT LEAVE (Not Applicable to Elected Officers)

By the nature of their management positions, most covered employees are exempt from payment of overtime compensation under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) and will not be paid overtime by the County for hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week. The District Attorney's Chief Investigator is not FLSA exempt and will be paid overtime in accordance with FLSA requirements; thus, the position does not receive merit leave. Exempt employees are expected to efficiently manage time to perform their job duties, and be available for staff, clients and the public. This entails full-time exempt employees being available for more than 40-hours per workweek (or a lesser amount in the case of part-time exempt employees) and outside of normal business hours.

In consideration of these expectations, the lack of overtime pay and job complexities, eighty hours (80) of merit leave per calendar year is awarded to full-time exempt employees (not elected officials); part-time exempt employees may be awarded a prorated lesser amount based on their regular schedule. Merit leave is not an hour-for-hour entitlement, but rather is extra time off provided in addition to vacation time, sick leave, etc. The initial award for exempt employees shall be prorated based upon the remainder of the calendar year (unless different in an individual's at-will agreement).

Merit leave does not accrue to a bank and the yearly entitlement must be used within the calendar year it is awarded, or it is lost. There is no carryover of unused merit leave to subsequent year(s) and merit leave has no cash value.

Merit or vacation leave (or sick leave, if applicable) must be used whenever a full-time exempt employee works fewer than 80 hours during any two-week period; or a prorated lesser number of hours during any two-week period in the case of part-time exempt employees. For most exempt employees, a two-week period means fourteen consecutive calendar days beginning on a Sunday; but exempt employees working in offices on a "flex" schedule may count the fourteen days from a day other than Sunday, with approval by their appointing authority.

Merit leave is used in a manner similar to vacation time. An exempt employee will note merit leave taken with an (M) on the time sheet in a manner similar to vacation time taken (V) and sick leave taken (S).

## ARTICLE 12. PERS RETIREMENT

- A. Covered employees are members of the CalPERS retirement system and are eligible to earn benefits accordingly. For elected officers, membership in the CalPERS system is optional, except to the extent otherwise specified by the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (hereinafter "PEPRA"). Covered miscellaneous employees hired or otherwise taking office after December 31, 2012, shall be provided with "2% at 62" PERS Retirement Benefits as mandated by PEPRA; however, employees hired or otherwise assuming office within six months of leaving a previous public employer with pension system reciprocity are not considered new and may be eligible for plan in effect with the new employer on December 31, 2012, which in Mono County was "2.5% at 55" for miscellaneous employees. Covered miscellaneous employees hired or otherwise taking office between April 10, 2012, and December 31, 2012, shall be provided with PERS "2.5% at 55" retirement. Any covered miscellaneous employees hired or otherwise taking office prior to April 10, 2012, shall continue to be enrolled in PERS "2.7% at 55" retirement. The Sheriff-Coroner, if opting to be a member of CalPERS, and the Undersheriff are safety members of the Local Sheriff coverage group and receive benefits at the level specified by PEPRA based on their applicable dates of assuming office or date of hire and the level of benefits in place under the County's contract with CalPERS on that date for the Local Sheriff coverage group (or based on the plan in effect on December 31, 2012, in the event they are hired or otherwise assume office within six months of leaving a previous public employer with pension system reciprocity as described above). The Chief Probation Officer is a safety member of the County Peace Officer coverage group and receives benefits at the level prescribed by PEPRA for that coverage group based on their date of hire (or based on the plan in effect on December 31, 2012, if employees hired within six months of leaving a previous public employer with pension system reciprocity as described above). This coverage group also applies generally to the District Attorney Chief Investigator.
- B. Covered officers and employees who are members in the CalPERS system pay the employee's (or "member's") contribution for applicable PERS coverage and retirement. (Note: To the extent mandated by PEPRA and based on date of hire or assuming office, new officers and employees may also be required to be 50% of the "normal cost" for their PERS retirement benefits.) The County has implemented an IRS 414H2 program for all covered officers and employees in order to facilitate the officers' or employee's PERS contributions and to provide

for tax deferred payment of the officer's or employee's PERS contributions.

- C. The County's contract with CalPERS provides eligible covered officers and employees with Level IV Survivors' Benefit Program (specifically those benefits provided by Government Code Section 21574).

#### ARTICLE 13. TRAVEL EXPENSES

- A. Out of county travel. With respect to covered employees, the County will pay or reimburse reasonable expenses for out-of-county travel that is associated with performance of a covered employee's duties, licensing and continuing education requirements, or participation in professional associations, to the extent authorized by the employee's appointing authority, employment agreement (if any), or the Board of Supervisors. With respect to covered elected officers, the County will pay or reimburse reasonable expenses for out-of-county travel associated with performance of a covered elected official's duties, licensing and continuing education requirements, or participation in professional associations, to the extent authorized by the County Administrator or Board of Supervisors and whenever mandated by state law.

For purposes of this policy, "out-of-county travel" means travel to a destination outside of the territorial boundaries of Mono County and the contiguous northern territory of Inyo County bounded to the south by (and encompassing) the Bishop region. Approval may be granted before or after such expenses are incurred, but covered officers and employees are strongly encouraged to obtain prior authorization to ensure that any expenses will be approved before incurring them. Expenses covered by this policy include but are not limited to: conference registration fees; motel or hotel room expenses; mileage reimbursement for use of a private vehicle at the current I.R.S. rate, as measured to and from County offices in Bridgeport or Mammoth or the officer or employee's personal residence, whichever is closer to the destination (and subject to the limitations discussed below); coach-class airline fares; rental car charges; and per diem at the County rate then in effect for travel by other County employees. In lieu of use of a private vehicle, a covered officer or employee may in certain circumstances utilize a County vehicle from the pool if one is available or a private airplane, as discussed below.

Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision of this policy, whenever two or more covered officers or employees are traveling to the same out-of-county conference or other approved function, the County strongly encourages such officers or employees to travel together in the same vehicle. Therefore, unless otherwise approved by the County Administrator, a covered officer or

employee who is traveling to the same approved function as another officer or employee may not utilize a County vehicle for such travel nor receive full mileage reimbursement for utilizing a private vehicle unless they are both: (1) able and willing to allow other traveling officers or employees to ride with them, and (2) only going to and from the approved function for its normal duration and during normal travel hours (i.e., not adding or subtracting to such travel time for personal reasons). An officer or employee who is not eligible to utilize a County vehicle or receive full mileage reimbursement under the foregoing criteria shall only receive such reduced mileage reimbursement, if any, as the County Administrator deems appropriate. In cases where none of the traveling officers or employees are eligible to utilize a County vehicle or receive full reimbursement for use of a private vehicle under the foregoing criteria, then the amount of the full reimbursement that the County would otherwise have paid for an eligible driver shall be divided equally among the driving officers or employees.

- B. Automobile allowance. In its sole discretion, the Board of Supervisors may expressly authorize and approve a monthly automobile allowance for a covered officer or employee in an amount deemed appropriate by the Board. In the case of at-will employees, such authorization (if any) will be set forth in the applicable employment agreement. In the case of officers or employees who do not have such agreements (including elected officials), separate and distinct authorization must be provided annually by the Board for any automobile allowance. Automobile allowances for members of the Board of Supervisors shall be established by ordinance in accordance with applicable state law; these policies shall also apply to the extent not inconsistent with said ordinance or state law.

For any individual who has such an automobile allowance, it shall be deemed to cover and compensate him or her for any and all job-related driving within the territorial boundaries of Mono County and the contiguous northern territory of Inyo County bounded to the south by (and encompassing) the Bishop region, including any commuting to and from a principal residence in that territory. Accordingly, individuals with automobile allowances may not also use County vehicles for job-related driving solely within the territory of Mono and Inyo counties covered by the auto allowance. Nevertheless, such individuals may be reimbursed for automobile mileage incurred in connection with travel to destinations outside of that territory (including the portion of such travel within the territory) or may utilize a County pool vehicle for such travel, to the same extent as any other officer or employee, in accordance with Section A above and without any offset as a result of the automobile allowance.

In the discretion of the Board of Supervisors, auto allowances may be adjusted

(either up or down) each July 1<sup>st</sup> based on the approximate percentage change in the published I.R.S. mileage reimbursement rate during the preceding twelve months, as determined by the Finance Director.

- C. Assigned County vehicle. In its sole discretion, the Board of Supervisors may expressly authorize and approve the use of an assigned County vehicle for a covered officer or employee for County business in the territorial boundaries of Mono County and within the northern territory of Inyo County bounded to the south by (and encompassing) the Bishop region, including commuting to and from a personal residence in that territory. (See discussion below regarding use of County vehicles.) In the case of at-will employees, such authorization (if any) will be set forth in the applicable employment agreement. In the case of officers or employees who do not have such agreements (including elected officials), separate and distinct authorization must be provided by the Board for each such assigned vehicle. Use of such an assigned vehicle shall be deemed to cover and compensate a covered officer or employee for any and all job-related driving within the territorial boundaries of Mono County and within the northern territory of Inyo County bounded to the south by (and encompassing) the Bishop region, including any commuting to and from a principal residence in that territory. Accordingly, a covered officer or employee who has such a vehicle may not also obtain an automobile allowance or mileage reimbursement for such job-related driving in that territory using a private vehicle.
- D. Use of County vehicles. Whether assigned to a covered officer or employee in accordance with Section C for in-county travel or checked out from the County vehicle pool for out-of-county travel, all County vehicles are generally intended to be used for County business purposes only. Notwithstanding the foregoing, de minimus personal use of such a vehicle which is incidental to its business use is not prohibited; provided, however, that any risk of loss or liability to persons or property arising from such personal use shall be borne entirely by the covered officer or employee, who shall agree in writing to defend and indemnify the County from such loss or liability as a condition of such use, in a form approved by County Counsel.

For purposes of this section, “de minimus personal use” means miscellaneous errands during a covered officer or employee’s regular work day or approved out-of-county travel, to locations within the same community as the officer or employee’s County office or out-of-county travel destination and to places easily reachable during the travel (including commuting) to and from such locations. Examples of such approved errands include going to a post office, restaurant, bank, school, cleaners, or store; other errands may be approved in writing by the County Administrator in his or her sole discretion. For purposes of such de

minus personal use, the officer or employee may allow one or more passengers in the vehicle who are not County officers employees, for whom he or she shall accept full responsibility and risk of loss or liability, as specified above; in no event, however, may anyone who is not a County officer or employee be permitted to drive a County vehicle.

- E. Private airplane use. As one mode of out-of-county travel, a covered officer or employee who is a certified private pilot may in his or her sole discretion choose to use a private plane and be reimbursed for expenses associated with such use in lieu of more conventional modes of travel. Such a reimbursement may be calculated using any of the following methods, in the discretion of the officer or employee: (1) actual costs incurred to rent the airplane, provided however that the reimbursement shall not exceed the total estimated savings to the County of the officer or employee's time (based on their compensation rate) as a result of flying instead of using more conventional modes of travel; (2) in the case of an airplane owned by the officer or employee, the estimated costs of renting a comparable airplane; or (3) the estimated amount of all travel expenses that would reasonably have been incurred by the officer or employee through use of conventional transportation, including any connections (e.g., taxis), rental cars, additional meals or per diem, and additional overnight lodging if applicable.

For example, in calculating reimbursement under the latter method, if an officer or employee had a morning meeting in Sacramento and chose to fly a private plane the day of the meeting, he or she could submit a claim for reimbursement based on the reasonable estimated costs of conventional transportation to and from Sacramento for such a meeting. Such costs would include mileage for driving there and back, one night's lodging because it would have been reasonably necessary to drive there the day before such a morning meeting, and per diem for meals that would have been eaten during that estimated driving/lodging time period. Note that the reimbursement amount derived by this method has nothing to do with the actual or estimated costs of using the plane.

- F. Licenses and insurance. As a condition or prerequisite for County payment or reimbursement of any travel expenses involving an employee or officer's operation of any vehicle/airplane, the County may in its sole discretion require the employee or officer to maintain and provide proof of appropriate licenses and insurance in a form and amount acceptable to the County, including but not limited to naming the County as an additional insured.



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

Print

**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Clerk of the Board**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              Mono Council for the Arts (Mammoth  
Arts Guild) State-Local Partnership  
Program

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Resolution approving the State-Local Partnership Program Grant request and designating Gaye Mueller, Executive Director of the Mammoth Art Guild DBA Mono Council for the Arts, to execute the State-Local Partnership Program Grant contract with the California Arts Council. Supervisor Hunt is sponsoring this item.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Resolution #R14-\_\_\_\_\_, declaring approval of a state-local partnership program grant application by the Mammoth Art Guild and authorizing execution of a grant contract with the California Arts Council.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

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**PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. ON THE FRIDAY**  
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### MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:

YES  NO

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9/29/2014 9:43 AM	County Administrative Office	Yes
9/29/2014 5:04 PM	County Counsel	Yes
9/25/2014 4:22 PM	Finance	Yes



**RESOLUTION NO. R14-\_\_**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO  
DECLARING APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF  
A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE CALIFORNIA ARTS COUNCIL**

**WHEREAS, the California Arts Council and the California State Legislature have established a State-Local Partnership Program designed to encourage local cultural planning and decision-making and to reach previously under-served constituents; and**

**WHEREAS, an application/annual report for the arts in Mono County will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mono does hereby approve of the State-Local Partnership Program Grant request, as submitted to the California Arts Council, by the Mammoth Art Guild DBA Mono Council for the Arts, and designate Gaye Mueller, Executive Director, to execute the State-Local Partnership Program Grant contract with the California Arts Council.**

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED this                      day of October, 2014, by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors, County of Mono:**

**AYES        :  
NOES        :  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT    :**

**ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Board**

**\_\_\_\_\_  
Larry K. Johnston, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

**\_\_\_\_\_  
County Counsel**



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Probation**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              RED Grant Travel

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

On the conditional approval of the Racial & Ethnic Disparity Grant (RED Grant), Mono and two other counties are sending RED Team members to the Positive Youth Justice Initiative (PYJI) in New York on October 9 & 10, 2014, leaving on October 8, 2014. The travel is funded through the RED Grant.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve 2 RED Team members to travel to New York for the PYJI conference fully funded by the RED Grant.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated travel cost is \$3,800, funded by the RED Grant.

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9/25/2014 4:19 PM	Finance	Yes

**Positive Youth Justice Initiative  
Learning Community**

**October 9, 2014  
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
New York City**

- 9:00 a.m.**            **Pick up at Midtown Manhattan location**
- 9:45 a.m.**            **Welcome at Harlem NeON**  
Chet Hewitt, President and CEO  
Matt Cervantes, Senior Program Officer  
*Sierra Health Foundation*  
Clinton Lacey, Deputy Commissioner, Adult Probation  
*New York City Probation Department*
- 10:00 a.m.**            **Tour of [Harlem NeON](#)**  
NeON is a network of community organizations, government agencies, local businesses, and community residents focused on connecting probation clients who live in the target neighborhood to opportunities, resources and services.
- 10:30 a.m.**            **Reforms discussion**
- 12:00 p.m.**            **Lunch at [PEAK](#) with presentation**  
PEAK is an education-focused alternative to placement program for high-risk young people.
- 1:30 p.m.**            **[Bronx NeON Tour](#)**
- 2:00 p.m.**            **Meeting with NeON Advisory Group members, Mentors and Parents**
- 3:00 p.m.**            **Open Verse Performance**
- 4:00 p.m.**            **Closing**  
Matt Cervantes
- Optional:**  
**5:30 p.m.**            **[Arches Transformative Mentoring Program](#)**  
Arches is a group mentoring program that helps justice-involved young adults transform attitudes and behaviors that led to their criminal activity.
- 7:00 p.m.**            **Return to Midtown Manhattan**

*The Initiative is funded by Sierra Health Foundation, The California Endowment and The California Wellness Foundation, and is managed by the Center for Health Program Management.*

**Positive Youth Justice Initiative  
Learning Community**

**October 10, 2014  
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
Ford Foundation**

- 9:00 a.m.**      **Breakfast**
- 9:45 a.m.**      **Welcome**  
Matt Cervantes, Senior Program Officer  
*Sierra Health Foundation*
- 10:00 a.m.**      **Keynote Speaker**
- 11:00 a.m.**      **Discussion of Site Visits**
- 12:00 p.m.**      **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.**      **Translating NYC and PYJI Reforms**
- 1:45 p.m.**      **Break**
- 2:00 p.m.**      **Translating NYC and PYJI Reforms Con't**
- 2:45 p.m.**      **Closing**  
Matt Cervantes



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Finance**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              August 2014 Transaction Report

**PERSONS  
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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Treasury Transactions for the month of August 2014.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive and approve the Treasury Transaction Report for the month of August 2014.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

**CONTACT NAME:** Joanne Werthwein

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Time	Who	Approval
9/29/2014 9:38 AM	County Administrative Office	Yes
9/29/2014 5:07 PM	County Counsel	Yes
9/26/2014 4:46 PM	Finance	Yes



# Mono County Transaction Summary by Action All Portfolios

Begin Date: 7/31/2014, End Date: 8/31/2014

Action	Settlement Date	CUSIP	Description	Face Amount / Shares	Purchase Price	Principal	Interest / Dividends	YTM @ Cost	Total
<b>Sell Transactions</b>									
Called	8/21/2014	3130A1U22	FHLB 1.5 2/21/2018-14	2,000,000.00	0.00	2,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000,000.00
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>2,000,000.00</b>		<b>2,000,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>2,000,000.00</b>
Withdraw	8/1/2014	LAIF6000Q	Local Agency Investment Fund LGIP-Quarterly	1,000,000.00	0.00	1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00
Withdraw	8/21/2014	LAIF6000Q	Local Agency Investment Fund LGIP-Quarterly	2,225,000.00	0.00	2,225,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,225,000.00
Withdraw	8/31/2014	OAKVALLEY0670	Oak Valley Bank Cash	10,330,900.79	0.00	10,330,900.79	0.00	0.00	10,330,900.79
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>13,555,900.79</b>		<b>13,555,900.79</b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>13,555,900.79</b>
<b>Total Sell Transactions</b>				<b>15,555,900.79</b>		<b>15,555,900.79</b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>15,555,900.79</b>
<b>Buy Transactions</b>									
Deposit	8/11/2014	OAKVALLEY0670	Oak Valley Bank Cash	184.04	100.00	184.04	0.00	0.00	184.04
Deposit	8/29/2014	OAKVALLEY0670	Oak Valley Bank Cash	1,189.36	100.00	1,189.36	0.00	0.00	1,189.36
Deposit	8/31/2014	OAKVALLEY0670	Oak Valley Bank Cash	10,257,794.35	100.00	10,257,794.35	0.00	0.00	10,257,794.35
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>10,259,167.75</b>		<b>10,259,167.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>10,259,167.75</b>
<b>Total Buy Transactions</b>				<b>10,259,167.75</b>		<b>10,259,167.75</b>	<b>0.00</b>		<b>10,259,167.75</b>
<b>Interest/Dividends</b>									
Interest	8/1/2014	83412PDV1	Solano Co Community College 1.384 8/1/2017	0.00		0.00	1,086.06	0.00	1,086.06
Interest	8/1/2014	503678QR8	La Mesa Spring Valley SD 1.886 8/1/2017	0.00		0.00	2,357.50	0.00	2,357.50
Interest	8/11/2014	OAKVALLEY0670	Oak Valley Bank Cash	0.00		0.00	184.04	0.00	184.04
Interest	8/15/2014	358266BU7	Fresno Pension OB 4.408 8/15/2015	0.00		0.00	11,020.00	0.00	11,020.00
Interest	8/21/2014	33764JPM1	First Bank Puerto Rico 0.9 11/23/2015	0.00		0.00	191.10	0.00	191.10
Interest	8/21/2014	3130A1U22	FHLB 1.5 2/21/2018-14	0.00		0.00	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00
Interest	8/28/2014	3134G55W1	FHLMC 1.32 2/28/2018-14	0.00		0.00	4,950.00	0.00	4,950.00
Interest	8/28/2014	3136G1DZ9	FNMA Step 2/28/2018-13	0.00		0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Interest	8/29/2014	OAKVALLEY0670	Oak Valley Bank Cash	0.00		0.00	1,189.36	0.00	1,189.36
<b>Subtotal</b>				<b>0.00</b>		<b>0.00</b>	<b>38,478.06</b>		<b>38,478.06</b>
<b>Total Interest/Dividends</b>				<b>0.00</b>		<b>0.00</b>	<b>38,478.06</b>		<b>38,478.06</b>



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

Print

**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Clerk of the Board**

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**                      McQuilkin Letter from CHP

**PERSONS  
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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Correspondence dated September 8, 2014 regarding Traffic Control issues related to the Tioga Pass Run.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

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9/26/2014 10:45 AM	Clerk of the Board	Yes

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September 8, 2014

File No.: 820.12669



Geoff McQuilkin, Executive Director  
Mono Lake Committee  
Post Office Box 29  
Lee Vining, CA 93541

Dear Director McQuilkin:

On Tuesday, September 2, 2014, at 1:29 PM, I was “copied” on an email communication to your staff from the Department of Transportation’s (DOT) District 9 Permit Office. The email included an electronic copy of the DOT Encroachment Permit (0914-6SE-0203) necessary for the “Tioga Pass Run” scheduled for Sunday morning, September 7, 2014. DOT’s permit gave the Mono Lake Committee two traffic control options, keeping participants completely clear of traffic lanes or entering into a Reimbursable Letter of Agreement with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) for traffic control (CHP form 465). Since our office had not been previously contacted by your staff, I assumed the Mono Lake Committee had made a decision to utilize the first option, which did not require the CHP.

On Friday morning, September 5, 2014, less than 48 hours prior to the event, I received a telephone call from your office’s staff requesting traffic control assistance. Regardless of previous practices, providing state services and/or equipment to private organizations is not permitted. This is the second “Tioga Pass Run” in a row where this issue has arisen just days before the event. In anticipation that next year’s DOT permit for the “Tioga Pass Run” will look similar to this year’s permit, I must respectfully request you contact us at least 45 to 60 days in advance and initiate dialogue regarding a Reimbursable Letter of Agreement if you desire, or the DOT permit requires, CHP assistance with traffic control.

Reimbursable services by officers are provided during their “off-duty” time and the officer(s) must be compensated for a minimum of four hours, which includes round-trip travel time. Currently, the Department’s charge for an officer is \$79.25 per hour, meaning a \$317.00 minimum. Additionally, the agreement must reimburse the Department for patrol vehicle mileage at 0.96 per mile. Mileage charges can vary significantly depending on which officer(s) are available and where they are assigned. An officer assigned to our office in Bridgeport might

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drive a patrol vehicle 50 miles round-trip to your event and may be engaged in "patrolling" the event route for an additional 20 miles, a total of 70 miles. Mileage costs in this hypothetical description would be \$67.20. If one of our Resident Post officers who work from home in Gardenerville or Minden, Nevada, were assigned to your event the mileage cost would increase to approximately \$196.00.

These are the current rates used by the Department when preparing invoices for Reimbursable Letters of Agreement. These rates are subject to change. I wanted the Mono Lake Committee to have this information in hopes budgetary planning for next year's "Tioga Pass Run" could include \$550.00 for traffic control. This would provide an officer at your event to both assist with traffic control and provide "in view" patrol of the permitted route for approximately two to three hours. If next year's DOT permit again allows you to make a traffic control decision, you may elect to keep the event clear of traffic lanes eliminating the requirement for CHP assistance.

Director McQuilkin, the one thing that cannot occur with any future Mono Lake Committee pre-planned events is the request for CHP assistance in the hours or days just prior to the event. On the same weekend as this year's "Tioga Pass Run" there were other pre-planned DOT permitted events, some requiring multiple officers for extended (12+ hour) traffic control. When entering into Reimbursable Letters of Agreement with private organizations I must consider personnel availability, vehicle availability, personnel "on-duty" for patrol, etc. The possibility exists that an organization could have an approved DOT permit requiring a Reimbursable Letter of Agreement with the CHP for traffic control services and the CHP experiencing staffing, scheduling or vehicle challenges that prevent us from assisting. For this reason I strongly encourage contact with our office very early in the planning stages of any event, well in advance of the DOT permit being issued.

Ultimately, last weekend, we were able to quickly work something out. The CHP provided assistance to the Mono Lake Committee and the participants of the "Tioga Pass Run". I hope you had a successful event and I am glad we were able to help. We are always happy to discuss events, traffic management suggestions, potential event costs, scheduling and participate in planning meetings at no cost. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely,



R. D. COHAN, Lieutenant  
Commander

cc: T. Alpers, Mono County Board of Supervisors, District 3  
✓ J. Leddy, Mono County Chief Administrative Officer  
S. Winzenread, DOT District 9 Permit Engineer  
M. Reistetter, DOT District 9 Permit Office



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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

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Correspondence from Brian Schuldt, Executive Director of Chamber Music Unbound, submitting their final report for the \$4,500 grant awarded to them in May 2014.

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

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9/30/2014 5:18 PM

**Who**

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**Approval**

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County of Mono  
Leslie Chapman, Director of Finance  
PO Box 495  
Bridgeport, CA 93517

Re: Final Report 2013-2014 Season

August 19, 2014

Dear Ms. Chapman & Mono County Supervisors,

I am pleased to forward the final report for the \$4,500 grant awarded to Chamber Music Unbound in May of 2014.

Mono County funding enabled CMU to continue our successful winter series and summer festival, expand CMU's music education offerings and continue the violin class in Lee Vining. Please see the following pages for details.

CMU is honored to partner with Mono County in bringing exceptional music education and performances to the Eastern Sierra. On behalf of CMU's board and the beneficiaries of our programs, we thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Brian Schuldt  
Executive Director, Chamber Music Unbound

cc: Larry Johnston, Byng Hunt, Fred Stump, Tim Alpers, Tim Fesko

Below is the final report on programs for which CMU received Mono County funding.

**1. Winter Chamber Music Concert Series. Total CMU 2013-14 Project Budget: \$54,000**

Final Report: Chamber Music Unbound's 2013/14 Winter Season features some of the great classical chamber music repertoire and wonderful guest artists from California and Tennessee.

The Felici Piano Trio opened its 16<sup>th</sup> winter concert season with "Fairy Tales", a program of music by Mozart, Dvořák and Schumann. The concerts took place on Friday September 27<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday September 28<sup>th</sup>, in Bishop and Mammoth respectively. We were able to welcome back violist Roland Kato, principal violist of the L.A. Chamber Orchestra, who performed with us for the first time during the 2010/11 season. Roland, who grew up in L.A. and has lived there for most of his life, had never been to Mammoth before that, and he greatly enjoyed coming back, especially since the weather was still fair... Rehearsals and a busy teaching schedule didn't leave any time for "touristy" activities with our guest that week, but did result in two successful concerts of three new works in our repertoire. Mozart's elaborate *Introduction and Fugue for String Trio*, a work that shows the ongoing learning in an already accomplished composer and Dvořák's cheerful *Piano Trio in B-flat Major*, an early work that aptly reflects Dvořák's resilience and ability to bounce back from the set back he experienced with his first opera, made up the first half. After intermission, Robert Schumann's inspired *Piano Quartet* illustrated the Romantic notion of instrumental music as a body of narrative, emphasizing the side-by-sidedness of playfulness and profundity, which signify all three works. The program was enthusiastically received by the audiences in both places, and the concert in Mammoth was followed by a delightful reception at the home of Valerie and Robin Mackay, with help from Don and Jodi Sage.

CMU presented the second winter season program, "Royal Flush", on November 2<sup>nd</sup> in Mammoth Lakes, and November 3<sup>rd</sup> in Ridgecrest. The Felicis performed a delightful Haydn Trio which is new to its repertoire and followed it with the profoundly moving Piano Trio No. 2 by Dmitry Shostakovich, a powerful work that bears witness to the tragedy that is WWII. On the second half Beethoven's "Archduke", the crowning achievement of the great composer's repertoire for piano trio, unfolded its glory. The concerts were both well attended, and especially the Shostakovich was received enthusiastically, despite the fact that Rebecca wasn't in the best form, due to an inner ear infection that affected her balance.

January's "Ticket to Ride" received extensive coverage in the Mammoth Times and consequently attracted a very good crowd, compared to other January concerts in the past. Local hospital employee Jim Dell replaced the originally scheduled bass player Nico Abondolo, who had cancelled for personal reasons. Jim graciously agreed to a weekend of rehearsals in L.A. prior to the concert weekend, which began with a performance in Ridgecrest on Friday night. The program consisted of Claude Debussy's Piano Trio, Mozart's Piano Quartet in G minor, with violinist Josefina Vergara, and Ralph Vaughan Williams' Piano Quintet with double bass. The latter work was a new discovery for all of us, an interesting composition that has not been part of the repertoire for a long time because the composer had banned it from being performed in public, along with some other early chamber music compositions of his. The ban was finally lifted by his widow in the 1990s, and performances of these charming early works have done much to revive the public's interest in the output of this gifted British composer.

On the March program "Three of a Kind" we performed two sonatas that featured the cello and the violin respectively. Many audience members commented on having enjoyed hearing the Bach and the

Fauré sonatas, which allowed them to concentrate on each instrument and its colors, rather than on the exchange of the voices. The sonatas were followed by Mendelssohn's second trio, one of the great masterworks of the trio repertoire. From intimate to grandiose, the trio's emotions swept listeners away, and the intricate dialogue of the three voices was all the more treasured because it was contrasted with the sonatas in the first half.

"Memory", in May, was a collaborative concert with the Eastern Sierra Chamber Orchestra, the group usually led by Brian. Conductor Dan Alcott joined us for these two concerts in Bishop and Mammoth and skillfully directed the orchestra through its maze of notes in Schubert's "Unfinished Symphony" and Johann Strauss' "Emperor Waltz." Rebecca played Wieniawski's "Polonaise Brillante" with verve, and Brian performed Bruch's "Kol Nidrei" so beautifully, some listeners were moved to tears.

Both concerts were opened by the young players of the Bishop and Mammoth Honors Strings, who delivered well-prepared renditions of Purcell's "Rondo", a Mozart "Minuet", "Phantom of the Opera", the round "Come Follow" and excerpts from "Medieval Scenes" by Lauren Bernofsky. The young players played with good intonation and a strong sense of ensemble and garnered much applause.

Families of CMU music students received free tickets to the performances they chose to attend.

## **2. Kids' Concerts. Total CMU 2013-14 Project Budget: \$25,000**

Final Report: With financial assistance from Mono County, the trio was able to visit the following schools: Bridgeport Elementary (1 visit), Lee Vining Elementary (4 visits), Edna Beaman (1 visit), Mammoth Elementary (3 visits) with assemblies and classroom music instruction based on the CA standards that included basic note reading and writing, rhythm and ear training, singing, trying out instruments and music appreciation. We offered visits to Coleville Elementary School, but did not receive a response. Playful early music learning kindles children's interest in studying an instrument and generates cross disciplinary learning especially in the fields of mathematics and language arts, apart from the sheer joy that music making brings to the school day.

In collaboration with the Mammoth Lakes Library and the Friends of the Library, Rebecca and Brian presented "Frederick", to all Mammoth Elementary Kindergarten, 1 and 2 grade students in October and November. The students walked to the library on 3 separate Wednesday mornings, and received a brief tour of the facility in addition to the musical story hour. The teachers were very pleased with this addition and expressed their appreciation for the age-appropriateness and the way that musical learning tied in with other curricular learning. Through Mono County support, we are offering each Mono County school 1 free visit this year. So far, we have been to Lee Vining, which has scheduled additional visits for us already.

Just before the holidays, the Mammoth Honors Strings (34 middle and high school students) performed a half hour concert for the students and staff at MMS. Instead of playing from stage, we set up the student orchestra in the center of the MPR and had the audience sit all around us, so that the listeners were nowhere more than three rows away from "the action". The program selections included some classical holiday selections, a fun arrangement of Mexican holiday tunes and two pop songs, all of which the students listened to attentively and respectfully. This was a hugely successful format, implemented with the help of parent volunteers and we hope to do another similar performance towards the end of the school year.

**3. Community Music School Programs for Youth (Mammoth Elementary Strings, Lee Vining Strings, Honors Strings, Individual Lessons). Total CMU 2013–2014 Project Budget: \$70,000**

Final Report: Here are the enrollment numbers for CMU's four group programs during the 2013-14 school year:

**Mammoth Strings: 67 students**  
**Bishop Strings: 19 students**  
**Honors Strings: 43 students**  
**Lee Vining Strings: 10 students**

A total of 139 young people in Mono and Inyo County received weekly instrumental lessons in violin and cello. It is deeply gratifying to see that learning to play an instrument in your free time, voluntarily, after-school, is so attractive to young people! While for many students and parents the commitment to regular home practicing is challenging, students still have the opportunity to discover the joys of social music making. They learn patience and persistence in trying to master each new task that presents itself during the course of the year. Enrollment in the music school programs is for an entire school-year, as musical learning cannot be accomplished in a project or season. Weekly lessons are crucial to successful learning and to measuring progress. At the end of each semester CMU's students prepare performances that summarize their achievements and demonstrate students' improvement to their friends and families.

All holiday performances took place as scheduled, and we added a separate performance for the Lee Vining strings, who played for their entire school and parents as part of the school's holiday program. In Bishop, we used the Inyo Council for the Arts space which was nice and intimate, but really almost too small. At all concerts, the students performed with poise and to the best of their individual abilities, and you could feel in the vibrant atmosphere what motivational boost children receive from these performance opportunities. The start to the new year was consequently enthusiastic! Sophia and Ari were invaluable helpers at these concerts, as they provided piano accompaniment and played along with the student groups as needed in divided violin parts.

CMU's music school finished the school year with spring concerts in Bishop at the Inyo Council for the Arts for the younger Bishop players (grades K-5) on May 20. The students played very well and were expertly accompanied by Ari Schuldt on the piano. The little room was completely crowded, but the atmosphere was delightful.

The Mammoth spring concert took place May 29 at MES and involved the 80 young players grades K-5 from Mammoth and Lee Vining. There were about 350 parents and friends in attendance for this big event, and both Ari and Sophia helped with accompanying on the piano and in the violin section. This concert went very smoothly, too, all the students were having a wonderful time showing off what they had learned since January.

June 1<sup>st</sup> was the individual student recital in the lobby of Cerro Coso College with 30 violin and cello students performing their solo pieces. This was probably the best recital we have ever had, and in great part this was thanks to Sophia and Ari taking on the task of accompanying ALL students! We did not hire an adult accompanist for the first time ever, and it seemed that the students were much more comfortable playing with another young person... Also, they had many more extra rehearsal opportunities, and were thus even more thoroughly prepared. Nobody missed the recital, nobody cried,

and even some small miracles happened... It was a wonderful event of which I think everyone will have the fondest memories.

In addition, eleven fifth-graders played beautifully for their peers' promotion ceremony at MES on June 11<sup>th</sup>, and the Honors Strings joined with the Intermediate Band for the graduation ceremony at MHS June 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### 4. Mammoth Lakes Music Festival.

**Total CMU 2013–14 Project Budget: \$60,000**

Final Report: The 2014 Mammoth Lakes Music Festival presented 8 ticketed concerts, 3 free concerts and eight public master-classes between July 15 and August 3<sup>rd</sup>. The ticketed concerts sold out, attracting just over 2000 concert goers who enjoyed world-class music making by some of the finest artists active today. Star violinist Corey Cerovsek was able to fill in for Tereza Stanislav, who is expecting twins and was advised not to travel to high altitude by her doctor, at the last moment. Corey's exceptional artistry, ranging from virtuoso show pieces by Pablo de Sarasate to a most profound interpretation of Brahms' 2<sup>nd</sup> violin sonata, thus inspired audiences in seven concerts. Another featured artist of the highest caliber was clarinetist Ron Selka of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, who performed chamber music works by Beethoven, Glinka, Mozart and Prokofiev to standing ovations.

Week two began with "Goodcellas", a program that featured three of the Sierra Academy of Music's gifted cello students alongside the artist/faculty in rousing selections by the two South American composers Heitor Villa-Lobos and Astor Piazzolla. Joining the roster of artists that week were internationally renowned violist Nokuthula Ngwenyama, violinist Limor Toren-Immerman and flutist Pamela Vlieg Martchev. Along with the distinguished French violinist Guillaume Sutre and his wife, Korean harpist Kyunghye Kim-Sutre, Pamela gave a beautiful performance of Debussy's trio, a fantastically imaginative work of chamber music that straddles the musical styles of the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Joining the festival for the first time, Guillaume Sutre displayed consummate artistry and his collaborative spirit made for easy ensemble playing with any and all of the new colleagues he encountered. Old friends returned during week three, amongst them violist Amadi Azikiwe and the husband/wife duo Mark Kosower and Jee-Won Oh. The audience welcomed them warmly and was rewarded with exceptional performances.

#### **5. The Sierra Academy of Music (SAM). Total CMU 2012–13 Project Budget: \$45,000**

Final Report: Because of construction work in the building of the Mammoth Lakes Cerro Coso College campus, CMU had to limit this year's academy to a smaller number of students and could not include the youngest age-group of 6 to 12 year-olds.

SAM students, who audition for the program and range from highly gifted teenagers to college music students (the youngest was 12, the oldest 26) had a full day of orchestra training in the morning, chamber music coachings and individual lessons as well as performance opportunities in daily master-classes in the afternoons.

The most advanced students could apply for and receive SAM fellowships, in return for which they co-taught some of the youngest and least experienced students. SAM's great appeal lies in the

artist/faculty of world famous performers and teachers from renowned institutions, whose love for great chamber music inspires them to pass on their skills and knowledge to the next generation. The dedication of the faculty to the students and their success inspired truly outstanding performances at the end of each SAM week.

The forty-two students of the Sierra Academy of Music (SAM) shone in the Saturday concerts that were free and open to the public. Ranging in age from 12 to 26, the students who had come from all across the country to attend the two-week camp, performed chamber music selections they had been assigned for each week in a variety of ensemble combinations. In addition they played in two self-directed chamber orchestras, one for pre-college students and one for music track college students. These two free concerts were very well attended (we saw a 30% increase from years past) and the students received tremendous applause in recognition of their work.

The daily afternoon master-classes presented yet another performance opportunity to those students who came with well-prepared solo repertoire: accompanied by staff accompanist Astrid Kuenzer and Felici Trio pianist Steven Vanhauwaert, they introduced their fellow students to new repertoire and received invaluable insights from Corey Cerovsek, Thomas Loewenheim, Robert Brophy, and Mark Votapek.

As a credit to the student body, this was probably the most harmonious SAM we have ever hosted: the spirit of collaboration, so crucial for truly meaningful chamber music making, permeated every musical endeavor and as a result many new friendships were formed. Students returned home with a plethora of fresh musical insight and a renewed love for the hard work of practicing...

During the third week, thirty-five adult amateur musicians (ranging in age from 35 to 82!) flocked to Mammoth Lakes for the Sierra Chamber Ensemble Workshop (SCEW) to study the music they love with our wonderful faculty. From Sunday to Saturday, they spent almost every waking hour reading or rehearsing with old friends or new acquaintances, interrupting the music making for an occasional hike or round of golf. They completed their session with yet another free concert, attended mostly by friends and accompanying family members.

## Supplemental Materials

# Chamber Music Unbound Final Report

1. Summer Brochure and program booklet
2. Winter Season brochure and program booklet
3. Workshop and Academy website
4. Music School Concert Programs



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**REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST**

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Clerk of the Board**

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**SUBJECT**                      Bridgeport RPAC Letter Requesting  
Resolution or Ordinance

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**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Correspondence and back up information dated September 18, 2014 from the Bridgeport RPAC regarding a request for the Board to pass a resolution or ordinance requesting the CHP approve certain portions of highways in the Bridgeport area to be designated as "Combined Use" roads.

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

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September 18, 2014

**To The Honorable Mono County Board of Supervisors:**

The Bridgeport Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (RPAC) hereby requests that the Mono County Board of Supervisors, in accordance with California Vehicle Code Section 38026 and California Highway Patrol General Order 40.5 (revised February 2012), pass a resolution or ordinance requesting the California Highway Patrol approve certain portions of highways in the Bridgeport area to be designated as "Combined Use" roads. The portions of highway proposed are County-maintained roads only, and "Combined Use" means off-highway motor vehicles may travel on the designated highway portion.

Respectfully,

*Barry Beck*

Barry Beck  
Chair, Bridgeport Valley RPAC

Attachments:

1. California Vehicle Code Section 38026
2. California Highway Patrol General Order 40.5



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### VEHICLE CODE - VEH

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**DIVISION 16.5. OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES [38000 - 38604]** ( *Division 16.5 added by Stats. 1971, Ch. 1816.* )  
**CHAPTER 2. Registration of Off-Highway Vehicles; Original and Renewal of Identification; Issuance of Certificates of Ownership [38010 - 38265]** ( *Chapter 2 added by Stats. 1971, Ch. 1816.* )

**ARTICLE 1. Motor Vehicles Subject to Identification [38010 - 38030]** ( *Article 1 added by Stats. 1971, Ch. 1816.* )

**38026.** (a) In addition to Section 38025 and after complying with subdivision (c) of this section, if a local authority, an agency of the federal government, or the Director of Parks and Recreation finds that a highway, or a portion of a highway, under the jurisdiction of the authority, agency, or the director, as the case may be, is located in a manner that provides a connecting link between off-highway motor vehicle trail segments, between an off-highway motor vehicle recreational use area and necessary service facilities, or between lodging facilities and an off-highway motor vehicle recreational facility and if it is found that the highway is designed and constructed so as to safely permit the use of regular vehicular traffic and also the driving of off-highway motor vehicles on that highway, the local authority, by resolution or ordinance, agency of the federal government, or the Director of Parks and Recreation, as the case may be, may designate that highway, or a portion of a highway, for combined use and shall prescribe rules and regulations therefor. A highway, or portion of a highway, shall not be so designated for a distance of more than three miles, except as provided in Section 38026.1. A freeway shall not be designated under this section.

(b) The Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission may propose highway segments for consideration by local authorities, an agency of the federal government, or the Director of Parks and Recreation for combined use.

(c) Prior to designating a highway or portion of a highway on the motion of the local authority, an agency of the federal government, or the Director of Parks and Recreation, or as a recommendation of the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission, a local authority, an agency of the federal government, or the Director of Parks and Recreation shall notify the Commissioner of the California Highway Patrol, and shall not designate any segment pursuant to subdivision (a) which, in the opinion of the commissioner, would create a potential traffic safety hazard.

(d) (1) A designation of a highway, or a portion of a highway, under subdivision (a) shall become effective upon the erection of appropriate signs of a type approved by the Department of Transportation on and along the highway, or portion of the highway.

(2) The cost of the signs shall be reimbursed from the Off-Highway Vehicle Trust Fund, when appropriated by the Legislature, or by expenditure of funds from a grant or cooperative agreement made pursuant to Section 5090.50 of the Public Resources Code.

(Amended by Stats. 2011, Ch. 532, Sec. 3. Effective January 1, 2012.)

**CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL**

**GENERAL ORDER 40.5**

**REVISED FEBRUARY 2012**

**DESIGNATING COMBINED-USE HIGHWAYS**

1. AUTHORITY.

a. California Vehicle Code (CVC) Section 38026 establishes criteria for permitting a local authority, an agency of the federal government, or the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to designate a portion of a highway for combined use, subject to the California Highway Patrol's (CHP) approval. Combined use means off-highway motor vehicles may travel on the designated highway portion. The highway must meet the following criteria:

(1) The highway must provide a connecting link between:

(a) Off-highway motor vehicle trail segments; or

(b) An off-highway motor vehicle recreational use area and necessary service facilities; or

(c) Lodging facilities and an off-highway motor vehicle recreational facility.

(2) The highway must be constructed so as to safely permit the use of regular vehicular traffic as well as off-highway motor vehicles.

(3) The proposed designated highway segment shall be no longer than three miles in length.

b. California Vehicle Code Section 38026 requires the proposing entity notify the Commissioner of the CHP prior to the designation of any highway, or portion thereof, for combined use. It further prohibits the designation of a highway or portion thereof, for combined use if in the opinion of the Commissioner such designation would create a potential traffic safety hazard.

c. On January 1, 2012, Assembly Bill 628 added CVC Section 38026.1 authorizing the County of Inyo, until January 1, 2017, to establish a pilot project allowing the county to designate combined-use roadways on unincorporated county roads for up

to ten miles in length, subject to CHP approval. The pilot project shall adhere to the following:

(1) Erect signs, markers, and traffic control devices to control off-highway motor vehicles, including, but not limited to, the following:

(a) Identification of dangerous conditions, obstacles, or hazards.

(b) Designate right-of-way for regular vehicular traffic and off-highway vehicles.

(c) Describe the nature and destination of the off-highway motor vehicle trail.

(d) Warn pedestrians and motorists of the presence of off-highway motor vehicle traffic.

(2) Prohibit off-highway motor vehicles from traveling faster than 35 miles per hour.

2. POLICY. The CHP will review all proposals submitted for combined use and determine whether such use would create a potential traffic hazard.

3. PROCEDURE.

a. All requests to designate a highway for combined use received by an Area or Division shall be forwarded to the Assistant Commissioner, Field through channels. The request shall be accompanied by comments and recommendations from the appropriate Area and Division concerning traffic safety hazards.

b. Requests initially communicated to CHP Headquarters will be forwarded directly to the appropriate Area for comments and recommendations described in 3.a. above.

c. The Department will prepare a letter advising the requester and the Deputy Director of DPR's Division of Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation of the CHP's opinion, after having determined whether combined use would create a potential traffic safety hazard. The CHP will provide the Deputy Director with copies of any maps, diagrams, or photographs submitted by the requester.

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## GUIDELINES.

a. In reviewing combined-use proposals, the CHP shall consider the following factors:

- (1) Motorist and public safety;
- (2) Traffic volume;
- (3) Types of vehicles using the roadway;
- (4) Property use of adjacent property owners; and
- (5) Physical characteristics of the roadway.

b. To assist the specified government entities in submitting combined use highway proposals, the CHP has developed the following guidelines. These guidelines should be used by specified government entities to notify the CHP of their desire to designate a highway or portion thereof for combined use.

(1) Purpose. The purpose of the combined-use highway. For example: to link off-highway motor vehicle trail segments.

(2) Description. A description of the highway segment, including but not limited to:

- (a) Width;
- (b) Length (cannot exceed three miles);
- (c) Location;
- (d) Type of surface;
- (e) Type of shoulder;
- (f) Number of lanes; and
- (g) Speed limit.
- (h) Diagrams and photographs would be beneficial.

(3) Highway Traffic Data. The average daily travel and collision rate (the number of collisions per million vehicle miles traveled).

- (4) Land Use. Land use within 100 yards of the proposed combined-use highway.
- (5) Rules and Regulations. A copy of the rules and regulations required to be adopted for combined use designation pursuant to CVC Section 38026(a).
- (6) Justification. The benefits of the combined use designation, such as public service(s) performed or problem(s) resolved.
- (7) Costs. An estimate of the costs associated with developing, implementing, operating, and maintaining the proposed combined-use highway.
- (8) Signing. A description of the California Department of Transportation approved signs to be posted and the location where they will be erected. Include their location on any diagrams submitted in accordance with paragraph 4.a(2) above.
- (9) Additional Information. The name of the requesting authority or agency and the name and telephone number of a contact person. Also indicate whether the request was initiated by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission, the Director of DPR, or a city or county governing agency representing the area within which the proposed combined-use highway is located. If the request was initiated by a member of the California Legislature or a member of the United States Congress, provide the name of the Legislator or member of Congress.

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: County Administrator**

**TIME REQUIRED**      15 minutes (5 minute staff  
presentation, 10 minute discussion)

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**                      Jim Leddy

**SUBJECT**                      California Home Finance Authority  
Joint Powers Agreement Request for  
Amendment

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### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed resolution approving proposed revisions to the California Home Finance Authority (CHF) Joint Powers Agreement.

To view attachments associated with this item, please click on the link below and look under "additional documents". Copies of attachments are also available in the clerk's office: <http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/bos/event/board-supervisors-64>

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt proposed resolution #R14-\_\_\_\_, approving proposed revisions to the California Home Finance Authority (CHF) Joint Powers Agreement. Provide any desired direction to staff.

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### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact from adopting the resolution.

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**CONTACT NAME:** Jim Leddy

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SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT WITH  
ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICE OF  
THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
**PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. ON THE FRIDAY  
32 DAYS PRECEDING THE BOARD MEETING**

### SEND COPIES TO:

Greg Norton, Executive Director California Home Finance  
Authority  
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### MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:

YES    NO

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### ATTACHMENTS:

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[California Home Finance Authority Joint Powers Agreement Cover Memo](#)

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Jim Leddy  
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To: Honorable Board of Supervisors  
From: Jim Leddy, County Administrator  
Date: September 5, 2014

Subject: California Home Finance Authority Joint Powers Agreement (CHFA JPA) Amendment.

Recommendation: Adopt resolution approving requested changes to the CHFA JPA.

Background: On August 21<sup>st</sup>, Mono County received a request from the California Home Finance Authority to amend the Joint Powers Authority, of which Mono County is a party. The CHFA is a Finance organization established by the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC). Mono County Board of Supervisors Vice Chair Tim Fesko is Mono County's representative to this organization as it is a JPA created by RCRC.

On August 13<sup>th</sup>, the CHFA Board voted unanimously to revise the Joint Powers Agreement (attached in track changes). Per Mr. Norton's memo (also attached), the proposed revisions are intended to bring the agreement current as well as provide administrative clarity. This action requires the approval of a majority of the JPA parties. Mono County is one of 33 counties in the JPA. It has been requested that this action be completed by October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014. If 17 counties endorse the change the JPAS would be amended regardless of Mono County's action.

CHFA Background:

***"The CHFA California Home Finance Authority (CHF) is a duly constituted public entity and agency, organized in 1993 and existing under and by virtue of Articles 1 through 4 of Chapter 5 of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code of the State of California. CHF has supported affordable homeownership in California for over two decades, providing homeownership programs featuring competitive interest rates and down payment assistance. To-date, CHF has helped over 45,000 individuals and families to purchase homes in California and provided over \$49 million in non-repayable grants. In 2010, CHF expanded its focus to also provide residential energy efficiency financing to California homeowners."***

The CHFA provides financing for home ownership as energy efficiency programs and was created by RCRC to support home financing for rural communities as well as support RCRC's efforts to support rural county policy objectives. The profits of the operation, as a non-profit, support the efforts of RCRC which represents rural counties on numerous legislative and policy issues.

Attached with this item for Board review is the Memo from Greg Norton, CHF Executive Director, and a draft resolution, the current and proposed Joint Powers Agreements.

Options:

- 1) Pass the attached resolution endorsing the change in the JPA and direct staff to inform the CHFA.
- 2) Not pass the resolution. Should 17 counties pass the JPA change, the change would still occur. Staff is recommending Option 1).

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact from presenting this Resolution.

For questions, please contact me at (760) 932-5414 or [jleddy@mono.ca.gov](mailto:jleddy@mono.ca.gov)



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**RESOLUTION NO. R14-\_\_\_\_\_**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO**  
**APPROVING PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE CALIFORNIA HOME FINANCE**  
**AUTHORITY (CHF) JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT**

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**WHEREAS**, on August 13, 2014, the Board of Directors of California Home Finance Authority (CHF), formerly known as CRHMFA Homebuyers Fund, a Joint Powers Authority of which Mono County is a member, voted unanimously to approve proposed revisions to the CHF Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Agreement, to bring the Agreement current and provide administrative clarity on various matters; and

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**WHEREAS**, the revisions to the JPA Agreement have been provided to each Member County for review and approval; and

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**WHEREAS**, the members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mono have each been provided with a copy of the revisions to the JPA Agreement for review;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF MONO**, as follows:

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1. The Board of Supervisors hereby approves the revisions to the JPA Agreement, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

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2. The Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Executive Director of CHF.

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**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014, by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors, County of Mono:

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**AYES** :  
**NOES** :  
**ABSENT** :  
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**LARRY K. JOHNSTON, CHAIRMAN**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**COUNTY OF MONO**

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**ATTEST:**

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**COUNTY COUNSEL**



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**REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST**

Print

**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Community Development**

**TIME REQUIRED**      15 minutes (5 minute presentation, 10 minute discussion)      **PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD**      Wendy Sugimura

**SUBJECT**              Mono County Comments on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest/Bureau of Land Management Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Bi-State Sage-Grouse

**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Presentation by Wendy Sugimura on Mono County comments on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest/Bureau of Land Management Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Greater Sage-grouse Bi-state Distinct Population Segment Forest Plan Amendment.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve, with any desired modifications, Mono County comments on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest/Bureau of Land Management Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Greater Sage-grouse Bi-state Distinct Population Segment Forest Plan Amendment.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Minimal impact to the General Fund. Potential impacts to specific projects, such as off-highway vehicle events, grazing, private development, etc., are anticipated to be less than under a formal Endangered Species Act listing of the Bi-state sage-grouse.

**CONTACT NAME:** Wendy Sugimura

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SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT WITH ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
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32 DAYS PRECEDING THE BOARD MEETING**

**SEND COPIES TO:**

**MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:**

YES    NO

## ATTACHMENTS:

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- [Attached Letter](#)

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### History

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October 7, 2014

**To:** Mono County Board of Supervisors

**From:** Wendy Sugimura, Associate Analyst  
Brent Calloway, Associate Analyst  
Scott Burns, Director

**Re: Mono County comments on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest/Bureau of Land Management Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Bi-State Sage-Grouse**

## Action Requested

Approve, with any desired modifications, Mono County comments on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest/Bureau of Land Management Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the *Greater Sage-grouse Bi-state Distinct Population Segment Forest Plan Amendment*.

## Fiscal Impact

Minimal impact to the General Fund. Direct fiscal impacts to the County have not been calculated, but potential impacts to specific projects and activities authorized by the US Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management, such as off-highway vehicle events, grazing, rights-of-way corridors, etc., are likely to be minimal. Overall, impacts are anticipated to be less under the preferred alternative than under a formal Endangered Species Act listing of the Bi-state sage-grouse.

## Background

The Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest (HTNF) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Carson City District and Battle Mountain District Tonopah Field Office, released a joint Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Revised DEIR) on their *Greater Sage-grouse Bi-state Distinct Population Segment (Bi-State DPS) Forest Plan Amendment* in July 2014, with comments due by October 9<sup>th</sup>. The original DEIS was released in August 2013, with a comment deadline in February 2014.

The Revised DEIS was developed in response to comments received by the HTNF/BLM, and includes more specific regulatory mechanisms (i.e., goals and objectives, and standards and guidelines) to help guide activities for resource management. A Modified Proposed Action and an Alternative to the Proposed Action are presented. The Modified Proposed Action is designed to incorporate use of resources in addition to providing protections for the Bi-State DPS and its habitat. The Alternative to the Proposed Action reflects recommendations made by conservation organizations and is more restrictive on mineral extraction, livestock management, and recreation activities within habitat areas.

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to conserve, enhance, and/or restore sagebrush and associated habitats to provide for the long-term viability of the Bi-State DPS. According to the HTNF/BLM, this action is needed to address the "warranted, but precluded" finding and proposed listing under the Endangered Species Act by the US Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), and supports their Bi-State DPS population management objectives within the states of Nevada and California.

## Discussion

The preferred alternative includes the desired habitat conditions as identified in Table 2-1, all the goals and objectives in Table 2-3, and the standards and guidelines in Table 2-4 indicated by an asterisk (see Attachment #1

for all tables). The proposed comment letter (Attachment #2) generally supports the preferred alternative, with an emphasis on allowing uses that are neutral or beneficial to Bi-State DPS habitat, and on mitigating impacts rather than prohibiting uses. Specific standards and guidelines that are commented on in the letter are highlighted in Attachment #1. The letter also supports the continuation of properly managed grazing, and defers to forthcoming information by the BLM Bishop Field Office on the status of grazing management in Bi-State DPS habitat.

In addition, the Plan Amendment Area Boundary has been modified in response to comments questioning boundary accuracy. Overall, the plan amendment area has been reduced from 5,040,457 acres to 3,030,729 acres. Of this area, 285,033 acres (9%) are private lands, and 347,045 acres (11.5%) are located in Mono County. The proposed comment letter (Attachment #2) highlights that the Plan Amendment applies only to US Forest Service and BLM lands, and not private lands.

The effects of the preferred alternative are expected to be minor, but the Board and public should be aware that regulations, conditions and restrictions will increase. The following summarizes the impacts of concern to Mono County in the Revised DEIR that should be anticipated:

- **Recreation and Special Uses:** Timing limitations and area avoidance buffers will be applied primarily in early spring, which does not affect most events. However, individuals or businesses could experience inconveniences and occasional financial burdens, and events/activities with inflexible dates and locations could be in direct conflict. Any roads on Forest Service land maintained by the County would be subject to these new policies. Of the 6,490 miles of designated roads and trails in the amendment area, only 503.6 miles (~8%) pass through the five-mile buffer surrounding active Bi-State DPS leks.<sup>1</sup>
- **Economics:** The preferred action should not have direct effects since there are no on-the-ground prohibitions. However, potential impacts include fluctuations in the costs passed on to project proponents, additional costs for mitigations to reduce overall impacts to the Bi-State DPS, and costs incurred due to timing limitations. At a larger scale, very little noticeable effect is anticipated on the economy or distribution of income of the six counties surrounding the amendment area.
- **Range Improvements and Domestic Livestock Grazing:** Utilization standards in habitat will be more restrictive than under current conditions, which could lead to changes in grazing systems, increased herding, and shortened season of use. By comparison, the Alternative closes all grazing allotments in Bi-State DPS habitat.

Impacts to wildlife, weeds, wild horses and burros, minerals, and fire and fuels management are also discussed in the Revised DEIR.

The proposed comment letter builds upon the prior comment letters, position, collaboration and work by the County, in conjunction with the Bi-State Local Area Working Group, to protect the Bi-State DPS and achieve a decision not to list the species. The letter recognizes the HTNF/BLM amendment as an implementing action of the Bi-State Action Plan and a contribution to the effort to avoid the listing.

The Revised DEIS is available at <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=40683%20> or from the HTNF by contacting Susan Joyce at 775.355.5313. Please contact Wendy Sugimura (760.924.1814, [wsugimura@mono.ca.gov](mailto:wsugimura@mono.ca.gov)) with any questions relating to the proposed Mono County Comment Letter.

**Attachments:**

1. Excerpts from the Revised DEIS: Tables 2-1, 2-3, and 2-4, with highlights
2. Proposed Mono County Comment Letter for approval

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<sup>1</sup> Note lek locations can change over time, creating different impacts that cannot be anticipated at this time.

**Table 2-1. Bi-state sage grouse desired habitat conditions**

Category	Desired Condition
<b>General</b>	▪ Bi-state sage grouse habitat is expanded beyond the current acres present on national forest system lands and BLM public lands, as of 2014.
	▪ Sagebrush communities are large and intact.
	▪ Riparian areas are managed for proper functioning condition, have diverse species richness, including perennial forbs; a perimeter: area ratio of 1 to 6.667 (0.15); and hiding cover around the edge.
	▪ Soils are stable and hydrological function is intact.
	▪ The native plant community is resilient, with the appropriate shrubs, grasses, and forbs, as identified in the ecological site description.
	▪ The extent and dominance of invasive species, including cheatgrass, is limited.
	▪ There is no conifer encroachment within line-of-site of leks or nesting areas; there are less than 3 to 5 trees per acre in other areas (Connelly et al. 2000).
<b>Leks</b>	▪ There is adjacent sagebrush cover (Connelly et al. 2000; Blomberg et al. 2012).
	▪ No structures taller than the surrounding vegetation community are within line-of-sight of the lek or within 4 miles (about 7 kilometers) (Connelly et al. 2000; Doherty et al. 2008).
<b>Nesting (Breeding)</b>	▪ Sagebrush canopy cover is greater than 20 percent.
	▪ Non-sagebrush canopy cover is greater than 20 percent.
	▪ Total shrub canopy cover is greater than 40 percent.
	▪ Sagebrush height is greater than 12 inches.
	▪ Perennial grass cover is not less than 5 percent, but is greater than 10 percent if total shrub cover is less than 25 percent.
	▪ Annual grass cover is less than 5 percent.
	▪ Forb cover is greater than 10 percent.
	▪ Grass/forb height is greater than 7 inches.
<b>Brood-Rearing/ Summer</b>	▪ Sagebrush canopy cover is 10 to 25 percent.
	▪ Total shrub canopy cover is 14 to 25 percent.
	▪ Sagebrush height is greater than 12 inches.
	▪ Perennial grass cover is greater than 7 percent.
	▪ Forb cover is greater than 7 percent.
	▪ Grass/forb height is greater than 7 inches.
	▪ Perennial forb diversity is greater than five species present.
	▪ Meadow edge (ratio of perimeter to area) is greater than 0.015.
▪ Species richness is greater than five species.	
<b>Winter</b>	▪ Winter habitat is composed of sagebrush plant communities with sagebrush canopy cover greater than 10 percent and sagebrush height greater than 25 centimeters (9.8 inches) above snow level.

Source: (For nesting, brood-rearing, and winter habitat condition) USDI Fish and Wildlife Service (2013).

**Table 2-3. Goals and objectives for alternatives B and C**

<p><b>Goal 1: Bi-state DPS priority habitat and movement corridors are managed to bring vegetation communities to their ecological site potential and to maintain or increase the species.</b></p> <p>Objective 1a: By 2024, 200,000 acres of degraded habitat (i.e., areas with conifer encroachment, invasive annual grasses, and/or altered fire regimes) have been improved through changes in management or restoration activities to meet habitat objectives.</p> <p>Objective 1b: By 2024, Bi-state DPS populations will be at or above current levels.</p>
<p><b>Goal 2: Bi-state DPS and habitats will benefit from standards and guidelines adopted to eliminate or reduce negative impacts and increase positive impacts from discretionary and nondiscretionary actions.</b></p> <p>Objective 2a: By 2020, Bi-state DPS productivity, survival, or use of seasonal habitats will be at least at the same level as they are in 2014.</p> <p>Objective 2b: By 2019, water developments (tanks and troughs) on national forest system lands and BLM public lands will be designed or retrofitted to decrease the risks of drowning or disease or as breeding sites for vectors such as mosquitos.</p> <p>Objective 2c: Saleable mineral pits determined to be no longer in use shall be reclaimed by the operator to meet sage grouse conservation objectives within 5 years of such determination.</p>
<p><b>Goal 3: In priority habitat, fuels treatments are used as a management tool when the benefits to Bi-state DPS clearly outweigh the risks; otherwise fire is suppressed in priority habitat after life and property.</b></p> <p>Objective 3a: By 2024, proactive fire prevention treatments will have been implemented in or adjacent to 30 percent of the identified priority habitat.</p> <p>Objective 3b: By 2019, risk of unwanted fire in habitat shall be 20 percent lower compared to conditions in 2014.</p>
<p><b>Goal 4a: Areas at risk of conversion to a degraded, disturbed, or invaded state are declining in size and distribution.</b></p> <p>Objective 1a: By 2024, 200,000 acres of degraded habitat (i.e., areas with conifer encroachment, invasive annual grasses, and/or altered fire regimes) have been improved through changes in management or restoration activities to meet habitat objectives.</p>
<p><b>Goal 4b: Reduction of fuel loads has reduced the risk of high severity fires in Bi-state DPS habitat.</b></p> <p>Objective 4b: Over the next 10 years areas with annual invasive grass dominance are reduced across 20,000 acres of habitat.</p>
<p><b>Goal 4c: Bi-state DPS habitat has moderate to high resilience to disturbance and resistance to invasive annual grasses.</b></p> <p>Objective 4b: Over the next 10 years areas with annual invasive grass dominance are reduced across 20,000 acres of habitat.</p>
<p><b>Goal 5: Over the next 25 years, areas with ≥25–65% and areas with &gt;65% sage brush cover are increasing through the implementation of integrated restoration strategies.</b></p> <p>Objective 1a: By 2024, 200,000 acres of degraded habitat (i.e., areas with conifer encroachment, invasive annual grasses, and/or altered fire regimes) have been improved through changes in management or restoration activities to meet habitat objectives.</p> <p>Objective 4b: Over the next 10 years areas with annual invasive grass dominance are reduced across 20,000 acres of habitat.</p> <p>Objective 5a: Over the next 10 years manage or restore habitat so that at least 70% of the land cover provides adequate sagebrush habitat to meet sage grouse needs to maintain or increase current populations.</p>

Table 2-4. Standards and guidelines for alternatives B and C, compared to alternative A (no action)

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
All Resources	No existing direction.	<p><b>*B-S-01:</b> Project should include best management practices for each resource as appropriate to restore, conserve, and enhance Bi-state DPS and its habitat.</p>	<p><b>*C-S-01:</b> Project should include best management practices for each resource as appropriate to restore, conserve, and enhance Bi-state DPS and its habitat.</p>
	Access is managed through travel management plans and interim direction for minimizing impacts to Bi-state DPS.	<p><b>*B AR-G-01:</b> Use existing roads and locate powerlines, pipelines, and other linear features whenever possible to reduce disturbance and habitat fragmentation.</p> <p><b>B-AR-G-02:</b> Authorize new roads only when necessary for public safety, administrative, or public need to accommodate valid existing rights.</p>	<p><b>C-AR-G-01:</b> Use existing developed routes to provide access.</p> <p><b>*C-AR-S-01:</b> Authorize new roads only when necessary for public safety, administrative, or public need to accommodate valid existing rights up to 3% total anthropogenic disturbance limit.</p>
Access/ Recreation	No existing direction.	<p><b>*B-AR-S-01:</b> Motor vehicle use off designated national forest system roads and trails is prohibited.</p>	<p><b>C-AR-S-02:</b> Motor vehicle use off designated national forest system roads and trails or existing roads and trails is prohibited.</p>
	Motor vehicle use is managed under travel management plans. The BLM allows cross-country travel in a portion of the planning area.	<p><b>*B-AR-S-02:</b> Manage as limited to existing roads, primitive roads, and trails for motorized travel until subsequent route designation occurs.</p>	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<p><b>*B-AR-S-03:</b> Between March 1 and May 15, off-highway vehicle events that pass within a 0.25 mile of an active lek shall only take place during daylight hours after 10 am.</p>	<p><b>C-AR-S-03:</b> Do not authorize off-highway vehicle events.</p>
	Off-highway vehicle events are permitted using existing direction designed to reduce impacts to resources. Permits are granted on a case-by-case basis after environmental analysis.	<p><b>*B-AR-S-04:</b> Do not authorize off-highway vehicle events within winter habitats November 1 to March 1.</p>	Same as C-AR-S-03.
	No existing direction.	<p><b>*B-AR-S-05:</b> Prohibit new recreation facilities unless they will have a neutral or beneficial effect to Bi-state DPS up to 3% total anthropogenic disturbance limit.</p>	<p><b>*C-AR-S-04:</b> Prohibit new recreation facilities in Bi-state DPS habitat (e.g., campgrounds, day use areas, scenic pullouts, trailheads, etc.).</p>

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
Land Use/Special Use	<p>New rights-of-way are permitted after environmental analysis. Co-location could be required depending on site-specific issues and potential impacts.</p> <p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-G-01:</b> Co-locate new rights-of-way within and/or adjacent to existing rights-of-way.</p> <p>No proposed additions.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p> <p><b>*C-LUSU-S-01:</b> Do not grant new rights-of-way. If valid existing rights apply, co-locate new rights-of-way within existing rights-of-way or where it minimizes impacts to Bi-state DPS habitat.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-G-02:</b> Industrial wind facilities associated with existing industrial infrastructure (e.g., a mine site) may be authorized to provide onsite power generation.</p>	<p><b>*C-LUSU-S-02:</b> Do not authorize utility-scale commercial wind energy facilities.</p>
	<p>Lands special use proposals are analyzed through site-specific environmental analysis. Stipulations are included to minimize impacts to resources.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-G-03:</b> Industrial solar energy facilities associated with existing industrial infrastructure (e.g., a mine site) may be authorized to provide on-site power generation.</p>	<p><b>*C-LUSU-S-03:</b> Do not authorize utility-scale solar energy facilities.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>B-LUSU-S-01:</b> Do not install structures or powerlines taller than the surrounding vegetation that could serve as predator perches within 2 miles of a lek.</p>	<p><b>*C-LUSU-S-04:</b> Do not install structures or powerlines taller than the surrounding vegetation that could serve as predator perches within 4 miles of an active lek.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-02:</b> No structures taller than the surrounding vegetation that could serve as predator perches shall be installed unless they are equipped with anti-perching devices.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-03:</b> Federal lands shall be retained unless a public interest determination identifies a net benefit to Bi-state DPS habitat.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>

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<p>Outfitter-guide activities are permitted on a case-by-case basis through environmental analysis. Stipulations may be included which are designed to minimize impacts to resources.</p>	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-04:</b> Do not authorize outfitter-guide activities that occur within 0.25 mile of active leks from March 1 to May 15.</p>	<p><b>C-LUSU-S-05:</b> Do not authorize outfitter-guide activities that occur within 4 miles of active leks from March 1 to May 15.</p>
<p>Most permits have language that authorizes the use, maintenance, and removal of improvements. Where the right-of-way itself is a historic feature, or the reclamation work may have additional unwanted adverse effects that outweigh the benefits, reclamation is not required.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-05:</b> Land acquisition plan shall include all inholdings that include Bi-state DPS habitat within national forest system boundaries.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-06:</b> When informed that a right-of-way is no longer in use, relinquish the right-of-way and reclaim the site by removing powerlines, reclaiming roads, and removing other infrastructure, where such reclamation work does not have unwanted adverse effects.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
<p>Special use permits are issued on a case-by-case basis after environmental analysis, and may include stipulations to mitigate impacts to resources.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-07:</b> Require proper containment and prompt removal of refuse to avoid attracting predators.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-07:</b> Require proper containment and prompt removal of refuse to avoid attracting predators.</p>	<p><b>C-LUSU-S-6:</b> Require proper containment and prompt removal of refuse to avoid attracting predators.</p>
<p>The authorized officer has the ability to change stipulations of existing permits.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-G-04:</b> Require permit holders to retro-fit existing powerlines and other utility structures with perch-detering devices during right-of-way renewal process.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-08:</b> Require permit holders to retro-fit existing powerlines and other utility structures with perch-detering devices during right-of-way renewal process.</p>	<p><b>C-LUSU-S-07:</b> Require permit holders to retro-fit existing powerlines and other utility structures with perch-detering devices during right-of-way renewal process.</p>
<p>Permits for lands special uses are completed using site-specific environmental analysis.</p>	<p><b>B-LUSU-S-08:</b> Do not install structures or powerlines taller than the dominant surrounding vegetation that could serve as predator perches within 2 miles of a lek.</p>	<p><b>*C-LUSU-S-8:</b> Do not install structures or powerlines taller than the dominant surrounding vegetation that could serve as predator perches within 4 miles of an active lek.</p>	<p><b>*C-LUSU-S-8:</b> Do not install structures or powerlines taller than the dominant surrounding vegetation that could serve as predator perches within 4 miles of an active lek.</p>
<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-09:</b> Do not install structures greater than 8-feet tall that could serve as predator perches unless they are equipped with anti-perching devices.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
	No existing direction.	<p><b>B-LUSU-G-05:</b> Authorize new communication sites as long as development incorporates appropriate required design features in design and construction (e.g., noise, tall structure, seasonal restrictions, etc.) and development results in no net un-mitigated loss of habitat.</p>	<p><b>*C-LUSU-S-09:</b> Do not authorize new communication sites.</p>
	Permits involving powerlines are issued on a case-by-case basis after environmental analysis. Burial of powerlines may be required on a site-specific basis.	<p><b>*B-LUSU-G-06:</b> Where feasible, bury powerlines to reduce overhead perches.</p>	<p><b>*C-LUSU-S-10:</b> Where feasible, bury powerlines to reduce overhead perches.</p>
<b>Wildlife</b>	<p>Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest: The following standards apply to sage grouse habitats (Forest S&amp;G Range PG IV-49 S&amp;G 27).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Use dropping casts, sage grouse sightings, and historical records to reveal location and importance of Bi-state DPS habitat.</li> <li>■ Maintain 20 to 55% canopy cover on Bi-state DPS range.</li> <li>■ Use irregularly designed patterns when manipulated brush in Bi-state DPS habitat.</li> <li>■ Maintain meadows in Bi-state DPS range in high ecological status. Where meadows have lost their natural characteristics because of lowered water table, trampling, overgrazing, road building, or for other reasons, take measures to restore the meadows.</li> <li>■ Maintain desirable sagebrush habitat within 2 miles of leks.</li> <li>■ Retain irregular, lean strips of untreated sagebrush approximately 100 yards wide adjacent to stream bottoms and meadows.</li> </ul>	<p><b>*B-Wild-S-01:</b> Any vegetation treatment shall maintain, improve, or restore Bi-state DPS habitat.</p> <p>No proposed additions.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p> <p>No proposed additions.</p>

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	<p>Include the use of a combination of forbs and grasses desirable to Bi-state DPS when rehabilitating sage grouse habitat.</p> <p>Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest: Manage ecosystems containing sensitive plant and animal and threatened and endangered animal populations to maintain or increase these populations and to achieve recovery (Forest S&amp;G Range PG IV-49 S&amp;G 4).</p> <p>Same as above.</p>	<p><b>*B-Wild-G-01:</b> Use seed for perennial grasses and forbs adapted to local conditions to increase cover of these species.</p> <p><b>B-Wild-S-02:</b> When long-term negative impacts from nondiscretionary actions are unavoidable, require mitigations to result in no net loss of habitat.</p> <p><b>*B-Wild-S-03:</b> Habitat restoration projects shall meet one or more of the following habitat needs: Promote the maintenance of large, intact sagebrush communities; limit the expansion or dominance of invasive species, including cheatgrass; maintain or improve soil site stability, hydrologic function, and biological integrity; and enhance the native plant community.</p> <p><b>*Same as B-Wild-S-03.</b></p>	<p><b>*C-Wild-S-02:</b> Vegetation treatments and post-disturbance restoration shall seed and/or transplant sagebrush to restore large patches of sagebrush cover and connect existing patches.</p> <p><b>*C-Wild-S-03:</b> Require site-specific project mitigation if needed to insure no net loss of habitat due to project disturbance.</p> <p><b>C-Wild S-04:</b> Total anthropogenic disturbances shall affect no more than 3% of the total Bi-state DPS habitat on Federal lands within the Bodie Mountain/Grant, Desert Creek/Fales, and White Mountains population management unit boundaries.</p>
	<p>Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest: Improve habitat for threatened or endangered species, and sensitive species that have been adversely affected by man's activity in wilderness areas (Forest S&amp;G Range PG IV-50 S&amp;G 6).</p> <p>Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest: Manage habitats of wolverine, Mount Lyell salamander, yellow warbler, and other wildlife species that may have declining populations or narrow habitat requirements, to assure viable populations and reasonable distributions. Encourage surveys and other data gathering activities for these species (Forest S&amp;G Range PG IV-50 S&amp;G 9).</p>	<p><b>*B-Wild-S-04:</b> Time implementation of habitat restoration projects so they cause the least disturbance to Bi-state DPS individuals and populations as possible.</p>	<p><b>C-Wild S-05</b> Total anthropogenic disturbances shall affect no more than 1.5% of the total Bi-state DPS habitat on Federal lands within the Pine Nut Mountains Population Management Unit boundaries.</p> <p>Same as C-Wild-S-04.</p>

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
<p>When possible, native seed is used based on availability and probability of success and site potential.</p>	<p><b>*B-Wild-G-02:</b> When re-seeding use genetically and climatically appropriate and certified weed-free plant and seed material. Use native seed when available.</p>	<p><b>C-Wild S-06:</b> When re-seeding use genetically and climatically appropriate and certified weed-free plant and seed materials. Use native seed when available.</p>	<p>Same as C-Wild-S-03.</p>
<p>Carson City District: BLM will adhere to current habitat modification guidelines prepared by the Western Sage Grouse Committee of the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.</p>	<p><b>*B-Wild-S-05:</b> Mitigate long-term negative impacts from discretionary or nondiscretionary activities to the extent practicable.</p>	<p>Same as C-Wild-S-03.</p>	<p>Same as C-Wild-S-03.</p>
<p>Battle Mountain District: Activities in key fish and wildlife areas will, when necessary, be restricted during periods of breeding, nesting, spawning, lambing, or calving activity, and during major migrations of fish and wildlife.</p>	<p><b>*B-Wild-S-06:</b> Require buffers, timing limitations, or offsite habitat restoration for new or renewed discretionary actions to mitigate potential long-term negative impacts.</p>	<p>Same as C-Wild-S-04 and C-Wild S-05.</p>	<p>Same as C-Wild-S-04 and C-Wild S-05.</p>
<p>Battle Mountain District: Fish and wildlife habitat will continue to be evaluated as part of project-level planning. Such evaluation will consider the significance of the proposed project and the sensitivity of fish and wildlife habitat in the affected area. Stipulations will be attached as appropriate to assure compatibility of projects with management objectives for fish and wildlife habitat. Habitat improvement projects will be implemented where necessary to stabilize or improve unsatisfactory or declining wildlife habitat condition. Such projects will be identified through habitat management plans or other activity plans.</p>	<p><b>*B-Wild-S-07:</b> After soil disturbances or seeding, do not authorize soil-disturbing uses for a minimum of two annual growing cycles or until desired habitat conditions have been met, whichever is longer.</p>	<p>Same as C-Wild-G-01.</p>	<p><b>*C-Wild-G-01:</b> Restore native (or desirable) plants and create landscape patterns which most benefit the Bi-state DPS.</p>
<p>Battle Mountain District: Sufficient forage and cover will be provided for wildlife. Forage and allotment management plans or their functional equivalent and will apply to specific areas of primary wildlife use.</p>			

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	No existing direction.	Same as C-Wild-G-02.	<b>*C-Wild-G-02:</b> Consider seed collection from the warmer component of the species current range when selecting native species for restoration (Kramer and Havens 2009).
	No existing direction.	Same as C-Wild-G-03.	<b>*C-Wild-G-03:</b> Remove phase 1 and 2 pinyon-juniper located near meadows and leks during habitat restoration projects.
	Battle Mountain District: Habitats for chukar and other upland game will be maintained and expanded through development of wildlife waters. Generally, no land disposal will be allowed within 2 miles of Bi-state DPS nesting areas.	No proposed additions.	No suggested changes.
<b>Range: Permitting</b>	Forest Service and BLM grazing management is focused on achieving healthy rangelands, but no specific standards for Bi-state DPS habitat objectives are used.	<b>*B-RP-S-01:</b> Grazing permits, annual operating instructions, or other appropriate mechanism for livestock management shall include terms, conditions, and direction to move toward or maintain Bi-state DPS habitat desired conditions.	<b>C-RP-S-01:</b> Grazing allotments containing Bi-state DPS habitat shall be closed to livestock grazing.
<b>Range: Utilization Standards</b>	Utilization standards have been established for Forest Service grazing allotments. The standards vary widely across the districts.	<b>*B-RU-S-01:</b> Manage livestock grazing to maintain residual cover of herbaceous vegetation so as to reduce predation during breeding/nesting season (March 1 to June 30) within 3 miles of active lek sites.	Same as C-RP-S-01.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-RU-S-02:</b> Manage livestock grazing in accordance with the utilization standards in table 2-5.	Same as C-RP-S-01.
<b>Range: Improvements (All)</b>	No range improvement standards specific to Bi-state DPS habitat exist.	<b>*B-RI-S-01:</b> Remove fences and other infrastructure associated with livestock grazing negatively impacting Bi-state DPS and its habitats.	Same as alternative B.

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<p><b>Range: Improvements (Fences)</b></p>	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-RI-S-02:</b> Any new structural range improvements and location of supplements (salt or protein blocks) shall not retard the conservation, enhancement, or restoration of Bi-state DPS habitat.</p>	<p>Same as C-RP-S-01.</p>
	<p>No range improvement standards specific to Bi-state DPS habitat exist.</p>	<p><b>*B-RI-S-03:</b> No new structures taller than the dominant surrounding vegetation that could serve as predator perches shall be installed within 2 miles of a lek.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-RI-G-01:</b> To the extent possible, do not install fences unless to protect habitat or for human health and safety. If fences must be installed, they should be at least 2 miles from active leks, and if possible, should be let-down fences when not needed for the purpose of their installation.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-RI-S-04:</b> To reduce Bi-state DPS mortality, remove, modify, or mark fences in sage grouse habitat based on nearest proximity to lek, lek size, and topography where fence densities exceed 1.6 miles of fence per section (640 acres).</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
	<p>No range improvement standards specific to Bi-state DPS habitat exist.</p>	<p><b>*B-RI-S-05:</b> Water developments (tanks/troughs) shall be drained when not in use, unless they are needed by other species, so they do not create a breeding ground for mosquitos that carry West Nile Virus.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-RI-S-06:</b> Wildlife escape ramps shall be installed and maintained in water troughs or open water facilities with vertical embankments that pose a drowning risk to birds.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
	No existing direction.	<p><b>*B-RI-S-07:</b> Water developments at springs and seeps shall be maintained to preserve the continuity of predevelopment riparian areas. Modifications to the developments shall be neutral or beneficial to the Bi-state DPS.</p> <p><b>*B-RI-G-02:</b> Authorize new water development for diversion from spring or seep source only when habitat would benefit from the development.</p>	Same as alternative B.
<b>Range: Improve-ments (Water/ Handling)</b>	No range improvement standards specific to Bi-state DPS habitat exist.	<p><b>*B-RI-S-08:</b> Livestock watering and handling facilities (corrals, chutes, dipping vats, etc.) or sheep bedding grounds shall not be located within 2 miles of an active lek and 0.6 miles from riparian areas.</p> <p><b>*B-RI-S-09:</b> Salting or supplemental feeding stations shall not be located within 2 miles of an active lek and 0.6 miles from riparian areas.</p>	Same as C-RP-S-01.
<b>Range: Improve-ments (Handling)</b>	No range improvement standards specific to Bi-state DPS habitat exist.	<p><b>*B-LUSU-S-10:</b> No structures greater than 8-foot tall that could serve as predator perches shall be installed within Bi-state DPS habitat unless they are equipped with anti-perching devices.</p>	<p><b>C-RI-S-01:</b> Remove all range improvements greater than 8-foot tall that could serve as predator perches within Bi-state DPS habitat.</p>
<b>Weeds</b>	Current BLM- and Forest Service-integrated pest management plans allow for the use of biological pest controls that could include the use of domestic livestock.	<p><b>*B-Weed G-01:</b> Grazing may be used to target removal of cheatgrass or other vegetation hindering Bi-state DPS objectives. Sheep, goats, or cattle may be used as long as the animals are intensely managed and removed when the utilization of desirable species reaches 35%.</p>	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	No proposed additions.	<b>*C-Weed-S-01:</b> Fires in moderate to low resilience and resistance sagebrush and wooded shrublands shall be suppressed to prevent an invasive annual grass-fire cycle.

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
	<p>Allow no livestock grazing for two grazing seasons after prescribed or natural fires and plantings or seedings.</p>	<p><b>*B-Weed-S-01:</b> After soil disturbances or seeding, the land shall not be returned to soil-disturbing authorized uses for a minimum of two annual growing cycles or until desired habitat conditions have been met, whichever is longer.</p>	<p>Same as C-RPS-01.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p>No proposed additions.</p>	<p><b>*C-Weed-S02:</b> Treatment methodologies are based on the treatment areas' resistance to annual invasive grasses and the resilience of native vegetation to respond after disturbance: (1) use mechanical treatments (i.e., do not use fire) in areas with relatively low resistance to annuals, and (2) treat areas in early- to mid-phase pinyon-juniper expansion.</p>
	<p>No timing restrictions or chemical restrictions are currently in place within Bi-state DPS habitats.</p>	<p><b>*B-Weed-S-02:</b> Use pesticides/herbicides only outside of the critical disturbance periods and only if other integrated pest management approaches are inadequate or infeasible. Only use chemicals with the lowest toxicity to birds that still provide control in coordination with USDA or APHIS, depending of the targeted pest.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p><b>*B-Weed-S-03:</b> Agency personnel, contractors, and permit holders working in areas with known weed infestations shall clean vehicles of dirt, mud, and visible plant debris before entering a different area to reduce the spread of noxious weeds.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p>No proposed additions.</p>	<p><b>*C-Weed-S03:</b> Annual invasive grasses shall be controlled or suppressed using an integrated strategy.</p>
	<p>No existing direction.</p>	<p>No proposed additions.</p>	<p><b>*C-Weed-G-01:</b> Require aggressive treatment of new weed or annual grass infestation for any surface-disturbing or other activity that is likely to cause or promote the introduction or infestation.</p>

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Wild Horse/ Burro	Forest Service and BLM wild horse and burro management is focused on achieving healthy rangelands, but no specific standards for Bi-state DPS habitat objectives are used.	<b>*B-WHB-S-01:</b> Appropriate management level in herd management areas with habitat shall be based on the structure, condition, and composition of vegetation needed to achieve Bi-state DPS habitat objectives.	Same as alternative B.
Minerals General	Application of standards and guidelines to mineral resource management is subject to valid existing rights and in some cases technical feasibility. For instance, not all pipelines can be buried for technical reasons; and not all drilling operations can be conducted using a closed-loop system.		
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-S-01:</b> For new and existing leases in habitat, limit offsite noise to less than 10 decibels (dbA) above ambient measures from 2 hours before until 2 hours after at sunrise at the perimeter of a lek during active lek season.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-S-02:</b> In habitat, limit offsite noise to less than 10 decibels (dbA) above ambient measures from 2 hours before until 2 hours after at sunrise at the perimeter of a lek during active lek season.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-S-03:</b> Apply timing restrictions in all Bi-state DPS habitat areas to avoid construction, drilling, completion, and reclamation activities, including those of exploratory wildcat wells within seasonal habitat periods.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-G-01:</b> Concentrate disturbance/facilities to reduce spatial impact to habitat.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-G-02:</b> In connective area, maintain vegetation characteristics suitable to Bi-state DPS to the extent technically feasible.	<b>*C-Min-S-01:</b> In connective area, maintain vegetation characteristics suitable to Bi-state DPS to the extent technically feasible.

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-G-03:</b> Control fugitive dust on roads and pads.	<b>*C-Min-S-02:</b> Control fugitive dust on roads and pads.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-S-04:</b> Require a full reclamation bond specific to the site. Insure bonds are sufficient for costs relative to reclamation that would result in full restoration in habitat.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-G-04:</b> Use areas with prior disturbance to site infrastructure.	<b>*C-Min-S-03:</b> Use areas with prior disturbance to site infrastructure.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-S-05:</b> Where the Federal government owns the mineral estate, and the surface is in non-Federal ownership, apply the conservation measures applied on Federal surface ownership to the non-Federal lands.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-S-06:</b> Camps for workers shall be located outside habitat.	Same as alternative B.
<b>Fluid Minerals</b>	No leasing decision has been analyzed for Forest Service lands. BLM has made a leasing decision.	<b>B-Min-G-05:</b> Limit disturbances to an average of one site per 640 acres on average, with no more than 3% total anthropogenic surface disturbances.	<b>*C-Min-S-04:</b> For fluid minerals do not consent to leasing unless only under no-surface-occupancy stipulations.
	For geothermal BLM has a 2008 EIS making leasing decisions on most lands. This lease contains lands which have been identified as Bi-state DPS brood rearing areas subject to seasonal restrictions from disturbance in Bi-state DPS brood rearing areas apply within 0.5 miles or other appropriate distance based on site-specific conditions from May 15 to August 15, inclusive. This restriction does not apply to operating facilities. Also, the interim IMs that address sage grouse prior to the planning decision are also applicable.	<b>*B-Min-S-07:</b> Require seasonal restriction November 1 to March 1 on geophysical exploration within winter habitats.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-G-06:</b> Allow geophysical exploration to obtain exploratory information for areas outside of and adjacent to habitat.	Same as alternative B.

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	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-S-08:</b> Require reclamation for geophysical exploration operations to meet Bi-state DPS desired conditions.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-S-09:</b> Apply the least invasive seismic exploratory method in habitat.	Same as C-MIN-S-04.
	The BLM has completed a leasing decision for oil & gas for the BLM lands in the study area; however, there are no authorized oil & gas leases in the study area and there is no oil & gas leasing decision on the Forest Service lands.	<b>*B-Min-G-07:</b> Incorporate mitigation to offset all proposed surface disturbance that would result in loss of habitat. Mitigate first within the same population area where the disturbance is realized, and if not possible, within an adjacent habitat.	Same as C-MIN-S-04.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-G-08:</b> If the lease is entirely within the habitat any development should be placed in an area that would be the least harmful to Bi-state DPS.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-G-09:</b> All commercial pipelines should be buried where possible.	<b>*C-Min-S-5:</b> All commercial pipelines should be buried where possible.
	No existing direction.	No proposed additions.	<b>*C-Min-S-06:</b> Upon expiration or termination of existing leases, do not consent to leasing if inquired by the BLM.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-S-10:</b> Require reclamation of disturbed areas to meet desired conditions for habitat when facilities are no longer needed or leases are relinquished.	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-G-10:</b> Use closed-loop systems for drilling operations, with no reserve pits when technically feasible.	<b>*C-Min-S-07:</b> Use closed-loop systems for drilling operations, with no reserve pits when technically feasible.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-G-11:</b> Use noise shields when drilling during the lek, nesting, brood-rearing, and wintering seasons.	<b>*C-Min-S-08:</b> Use noise shields when drilling during the lek, nesting, brood-rearing, and wintering seasons.

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-S-11:</b> Do not authorize construction of new high-power transmission towers unless there are no other corridor options.	<b>*C-Min-S-09:</b> Do not authorize new high-power transmission line corridors, transmission line rights-of-way, transmission line construction, or transmission line facility construction in habitat.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-S-12:</b> Transmission towers must be constructed with anti-perching devices to discourage use by raptors.	Not applicable as a result of C-Min-S-03.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-S-13:</b> Do not authorize new fences unless necessary for safety or environmental protection reasons. If fences are necessary, require a safe design for Bi-state DPS (e.g., marking).	Same as alternative B.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-S-14:</b> Require removal of transmission lines and roads that are no longer needed.	Same as alternative B.
<b>Solid Leasable Minerals:</b>	No existing direction.	<b>B-Min-G-12:</b> Incorporate noise reduction design elements for new compressor stations.	<b>*C-Min-S-10:</b> Do not authorize new compressor stations inside habitats.
	No existing direction.	No proposed additions.	<b>*C-Min-S-011:</b> Do not consent to solid mineral lease in habitat.
	Mineral materials can be disposed and must follow the BLM IM interim management direction.	<b>B-Min-G-13:</b> Request that the BLM not authorize new mine facilities on the surface unless there is no technically feasible alternative.	<b>*C-Min-S-12:</b> Request that the BLM not issue permits for solid leasable mineral prospecting or mining in habitat.
		<b>*B-Min-G-14:</b> If new mine facilities must be placed in habitat, then co-locate facilities in existing disturbed areas and authorize them to the minimum size necessary.	Same as alternative B.
<b>Minerals: Mineral Materials</b>	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Min-S-15:</b> Do not authorize new pits or prospecting permits in Bi-state DPS habitat.	<b>C-Min-S-13:</b> Do not allow new sale of mineral materials in habitat.
		<b>*B-Min-S-16:</b> Authorize mineral material use and expansion of existing pits only with no unmitigated net loss of habitat.	<b>C-Min-S-14:</b> Prohibit expansion of existing mineral material sites.

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
	No existing direction.	<p><b>*B-Min-S-17:</b> Permits for mineral material sites shall require an approved pit development operating plan that minimizes impacts to Bi-state DPS and other resources</p>	<p><b>C-Min-S-15:</b> Do not allow new sale of mineral materials in Bi-state DPS habitat.</p>
<b>Mineral Materials</b>	No existing direction.	<p><b>*B-Min-S-18</b> Any contract or permit for mineral material operations, except for disposals from community sites and common-use areas, shall include requirements for reclamation of the site to meet Bi-state DPS habitat objectives.</p>	Same as C-MIN-S-15.
	No existing direction.	<p><b>*B-Min-S-19</b> Ensure no net unmitigated loss at existing mineral material sites in habitat.</p>	<p><b>C-Min-S-17:</b> Prohibit expansion of existing mineral material sites.</p>
	No existing direction.	<p><b>B-Min-S-20:</b> Where the Federal government owns the surface, and the mineral estate is in non-Federal ownership, require an approved pit development plan.</p>	Same as alternative B.
<b>Locatable Minerals</b>	Outside of wilderness, wilderness study areas, and withdrawn areas, the mineral estate is locatable. On BLM lands with unpatented mining claims, projects can be proposed. On Forest Service land no unpatented claims are necessary as long as the land is open to entry. BLM minerals are handled under 43 CFR 3809 and Forest Service minerals under 36 CFR 228 subpart A.	<p><b>*B-Min-S-21:</b> Mitigate long-term negative impacts in habitat from discretionary or nondiscretionary activities to the extent practicable.</p>	<p><b>C-Min-S-18:</b> Petition the BLM to withdraw locatable minerals.</p>
<b>Fire Suppression</b>	Use planned and unplanned ignitions to restore natural ecosystems in wilderness and other areas where appropriate.	<p><b>*B-Fire-G-01:</b> Do not use fire as a management tool in areas where the risk of escaped fire could cause negative long-term impacts.</p>	<p><b>*C-Fire-S-01:</b> Fires in moderate to low resilience and resistance sagebrush and wooded shrublands shall be suppressed to prevent an invasive annual grass-fire cycle.</p>
	All wildfires will receive an appropriate suppression response.	<p><b>*B-Fire-G-02:</b> In Bi-state DPS habitat areas, prioritize suppression, immediately after life and property, to conserve the habitat.</p>	Same as alternative B.

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
	Appropriate responses are confinement, containment, or control.	<p><b>*B-Fire-G-03:</b> Suppress wildfire threatening unburned habitat contained within a broader burn perimeter.</p> <p><b>*B-Fire-G-04:</b> Prioritize suppression in the wildland-urban interface to protect life and property over habitat.</p>	<p><b>*C-Fire-G-01:</b> Vegetation treatments should include fuel breaks to provide anchor points for wildland fire suppression to protect areas meeting or moving toward desired conditions.</p> <p>Same as alternative B.</p>
<b>Suppression in Wildland-Urban Interface</b>	All wildfires will receive an appropriate suppression response. Appropriate responses are confinement, containment, or control.	<p><b>B-Fire-G-05:</b> Fuels treatments should emphasize protecting existing sagebrush ecosystems.</p> <p><b>B-Fire-S-01:</b> Fuels treatment projects shall not reduce sagebrush canopy cover to less than 15% of the treatment unit unless needed to meet fire management/protection objectives.</p>	<p><b>*C-Fire-G-02:</b> Use fuel breaks and green strips to protect areas with &gt;25% landscape sagebrush cover.</p> <p><b>*C-Fire-S-02:</b> Do not reduce sagebrush canopy cover to less than 15% (Connelly et al. 2000; Hagen et al. 2007) unless a fuels management objective requires additional reduction in sagebrush cover to meet strategic protection of Bi-state DPS habitat and conserve habitat quality for the species.</p> <p>Same as alternative B.</p>
<b>Fuels Treatments in Sagebrush</b>	Natural fuel treatment projects will meet multi-resource objectives.	<p>No existing direction.</p> <p><b>*B-Fire-G-06:</b> Do not use fire, including brush control, as a management tool in areas where there is threat of cheatgrass invasion, sagebrush areas with less than 12 inches of annual precipitation or 12 inches of soil, or areas where the sagebrush cover would be reduced to less than 15%.</p> <p><b>*B-Fire-G-07:</b> Focus fuels management projects in habitat to reduce wildfire threats.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>
	No existing direction.	<p>No existing direction.</p> <p><b>B-Fire-S-02:</b> Enhance and restore habitat while reducing the potential for severe wildfires in habitat.</p>	<p>Same as alternative B.</p>

Resource	Alternative A (No Action)	Alternative B (Modified)	Alternative C
Prescribed Fire	No existing direction.	No proposed additions.	<b>*C-Fire-G-03:</b> Treatment methodologies are based on the treatments areas resistance to annual invasive grasses and the resilience of native vegetation to respond after disturbance: (1) use mechanical treatments (i.e., do not use fire) in areas with relatively low resistance to annuals, and (2) treat areas in early- to mid-phase pinyon-juniper expansion.
	Use planned, prescribed fire to improve or enhance resource outputs where appropriate.	<b>B-Fire-G-08:</b> Post-fuels management projects should ensure long-term persistence of seeded or pre-treatment native plants and to maintain the desired condition of fuels management projects.	<b>*C-Fire-G-04:</b> Manage post-treatment areas to increase perennial herbaceous species and minimize secondary weed invasion.
	No existing direction.	<b>*B-Fire-G-09:</b> Do not use fire as a management tool in areas where the risk of escaped fire could cause negative long-term impacts.	<b>*C-Fire-G-05:</b> Vegetation treatments and post-disturbance restoration should seed and/or transplant sagebrush to restore large patches of sagebrush cover and connect existing patches.
	No existing direction.	<b>B-Fire-G-10:</b> Where cheatgrass is a minor component in the understory (example; mountain shrub) use prescribed fire to disrupt fuel continuity (fuel breaks).	<b>*C-Fire-G-06:</b> Use seed for perennial grasses and forbs adapted to local conditions to increase cover of these species.
	No existing direction.	No proposed additions.	<b>*C-Fire-S-03:</b> Annual invasive grasses shall be controlled or suppressed using an integrated strategy.

Note: An \* by a standard or guideline indicates that it has been selected as part of the draft preferred alternative for this project.

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**RE: Comments on the Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Greater Sage-Grouse Bi-State Distinct Population Segment Forest Plan Amendment**

Dear Mr. Dunkelberger:

The Mono County Board of Supervisors appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposed Forest Plan Amendment Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Revised DEIS). We understand this amendment is in response to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (Service's) "warranted, but precluded" finding and proposed listing of the Greater Sage-Grouse Bi-State Distinct Population Segment (Bi-State DPS) as threatened under the Endangered Species Act.

The County has been actively collaborating with the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest (HTNF) and other Bi-State Local Area Working Group (LAWG) participants to conserve and protect the Bi-State DPS, and eliminate the need to list the bird. As such, we support the HTNF's efforts to conserve and protect Bi-State DPS habitat, and address the Service's finding of inadequate regulatory mechanisms.

With a few exceptions, the County supports the preferred alternative in the Revised DEIS, despite probable impacts to recreation, grazing, and related economic activities in Mono County. In particular, we request the HTNF retain proposed language that regulates through conditions, mitigations and requirements rather than outright prohibitions. Where changes and modifications can meet the purpose of "conserving, enhancing, and/or restoring sagebrush and associated habitats to provide for the long-term viability of the Bi-State DPS," outright prohibition would be unnecessary, is unrelated to habitat preservation, and appears to serve other agendas or purposes outside the scope of this amendment.

Mono County has reviewed the Revised DEIS and provides the following comments and suggestions, listed in general order of appearance in the document and Table 2-4, for consideration by the HTNF:

1. Table 1-3 (p. 4) indicates the amendment area includes private lands, and p. 44 indicates "Property owners and managers other than the Forest Service and BLM within the amendment area are not restricted by or subject to the proposed management direction unless activities occur on national forest system lands or public lands managed by the

BLM.” The County, in order to provide clarity for our residents, requests this language be added as a footnote to Table 1-3 to highlight that the Plan Amendment does not apply to private lands.

2. The County supports B-AR-G-02 over the preferred alternative C-AR-S-01, which denies new roads for any purpose if the 3% anthropogenic disturbance limit is reached. A situation could be envisioned where public safety and valid existing rights must be ignored or denied under C-AR-S-01, which does not seem desirable or reasonable. Alternatively, the language in C-AR-S-01 could be modified to continue providing for public safety and valid existing rights over the 3% limit, and also to require existing access be utilized prior to any new approvals.
3. B-AR-S-05 and C-AR-S-04 are both indicated as part of the preferred alternative, yet appear to be mutually exclusive. The County supports B-AR-S-05 which allows for new recreation facilities, and supports eliminating the 3% anthropogenic disturbance limit. Recreation facilities that are beneficial to the Bi-state DPS should be encouraged with no limit, and those that are neutral need not be limited. The County is strongly opposed to C-AR-S-04. An outright prohibition of new recreation facilities is not necessarily related to habitat impacts and therefore does not meet the purpose of the Plan Amendment.
4. The County supports B-LUSU-S-02, B-LUSU-S-09, and B-LUSU-S-10, which allow taller features when equipped with anti-perching devices. The County encourages the HTNF to consider allowing taller features within four miles of a lek (C-LUSU-S-04, C-LUSU-S-8, B-RI-S-03) subject to anti-perching device mitigation requirements. The County has required anti-perching mitigations on tall projects, such as cell towers, and casual observation indicates sage-grouse continuing to utilize nearby habitat.
5. To facilitate the implementation of B-LUSU-S-05, the acquisition of all inholdings that include Bi-State DPS habitat, the land acquisition plan should also include lands in California and Nevada of lower resource value that can be traded into private property ownership. To meet Mono County policies, the disposal lands would need to be located within or adjacent to existing communities, and the County has a preference for no net loss of the property tax base. In addition, the County hosts a Landownership Adjustment Subcommittee under the Collaborative Planning Team to collaborate on potential ownership adjustments, and is supportive of the consolidation of resource lands and inholdings by a resource management agency such as the US Forest Service.
6. The County is concerned that C-LUSU-S-09, which prohibits new communication sites, prevents the ability to address public safety issues. Major travel corridors may have blackout areas that lack cell phone coverage, a serious public safety concern in sparsely populated, rural areas. Outright prohibition may also force towers to be installed on lands under other ownership, even if impacts to the Bi-State DPS are greater at that location. The County suggests including language that provides for public safety needs, and contains clear design and location requirements to mitigate impacts on an area-wide basis (e.g. provides for the selection of the least harmful location).
7. The County strongly supports B-RP-S-01, B-RU-S-01, B-RU-S-02 and B-Weed G-01. Properly managed grazing can be beneficial or at least not detrimental, and utilizing grazing as a habitat management tool is a wise and innovative application of limited resources in a win-win solution. The County strongly opposes the alternative of C-RP-S-

01 prohibiting grazing outright, which is not necessarily related to habitat impacts and appears to serve other agendas outside the scope of this Plan Amendment. In addition, the County encourages the HTNF to continue coordinating with the BLM Bishop Field Office, who is compiling rangeland management data across the entire Bi-State area. This information should provide a basis for further rangeland improvement options that are driven by data.

8. Fence removal in B-RI-S-01 should be subject to a public safety provision. For example, a fence should not be removed if livestock and vehicle collisions, resulting in loss of life and property, are anticipated to result. As an alternative, the County suggests requiring the existing fence be replaced with one utilizing a safe design for Bi-State DPS (consistent with B-RI-G-01 and/or B-Min-S-13).
9. While not identified as part of the preferred alternative, the County opposes C-RI-S-01, which requires removal of all range improvements greater than eight feet that could serve as predator perches. This standard could cause public safety problems by increasing the likelihood of vehicle/livestock collisions and could reduce the ability to protect habitat. Requiring mitigation through the installation of anti-perching devices meets habitat purposes, while universal removal is not necessarily related to habitat impacts and appears to serve other agendas outside the scope of this Plan Amendment.
10. The County suggests setting standards for fence design up front in B-RI-G-01 and/or B-Min-S-13, providing applicants with the necessary information immediately. The County recently collaborated with the BLM Bishop Field Office and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) on the following fence design to prevent loss of life and property due to vehicle/livestock collisions: three strands, maximum height of 40-42 inches, bottom strand minimum of 16-inches above ground, top wire marked for visibility, let-down fencing required unless demonstrated to be infeasible, and vegetation removal for installation by mowing or hand-cutting rather than blading. Alternatives or exceptions to this design may be necessary in some circumstances, for example to accommodate other plant or wildlife species, and should be allowed subject to the expertise of the resource management agencies.

Thank you again for the opportunity review and comment on the proposed amendment. We look forward to continued cooperation and are hopeful that we will succeed in protecting and conserving the Bi-State DPS through our combined efforts, eliminating a need to list. If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact Wendy Sugimura at 760.924.1814 or [wsugimura@mono.ca.gov](mailto:wsugimura@mono.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

Larry K. Johnston  
Chair



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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: County Administrator's Office**

**TIME REQUIRED**      20 minutes (5 minute staff  
presentation; 15 minutes discussion)

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

Jim Leddy and Marshall Rudolph

**SUBJECT**              Ratification of the Paramedics  
Association Memorandum of  
Understanding - 2014-2017

### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association pertaining to terms and conditions of employment.

To view attachments associated with this item, please click on the link below and look under "additional documents". Copies of attachments are also available in the clerk's office: <http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/bos/event/board-supervisors-64>

### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Consider for potential adoption proposed Resolution R14-\_\_\_\_, adopting and approving a memorandum of understanding between the County and the Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association and revised personnel rules (system) applicable to employees in positions represented by said Association. Provide any desired direction to staff.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The Fiscal impact of this contract for the portion of FY 2014-2015 (August 1st, 2014 to June 30th, 2015) is \$2,820,556. The full cost of the contract for FY 2015-2016 is estimated at \$3.07 million. This includes salary, employee benefits, overtime and holiday pay. The total cost for this MOU over its entire term is estimated at \$8.974 million.

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October 7, 2014

To: Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors

From: Jim Leddy, County Administrative Officer

**SUBJECT:** Ratification of 2014-2017 Paramedics Association Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)  
Labor contract

**RECOMMENDATION:** Consider for potential adoption proposed Resolution ratifying MOU

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The Fiscal impact of this contract for the portion of FY 2014-2105 (August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014 to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015) is \$2,820,556. The full cost of the contract for FY 2015-2016 is estimated at \$3.07 million. This includes salary, employee benefits, overtime and holiday pay. The total cost for this MOU over its entire term is estimated at \$8.974 million.

**DISCUSSION:** Starting in June 2013, the County and Paramedics Association entered into negotiations to adopt a new MOU for terms and conditions of employment. These negotiations concluded in September 2014 with a vote by the Paramedics Association to accept a proposal presented to the Paramedics which would limit future expenses and tighten budget control of the program.

The primary focus of the MOU was reducing the costs of the program while maintain service levels. In FY 2013-2014, The Paramedic Program had a total cost of \$3.959 million. This MOU would establish a hard Expenditure Cap of \$3.441 million. This figure was used based upon the Association's and the County's analysis that there have been changes due to management administration of the Program. Should the Program exceed this figure June 30<sup>th</sup> of any fiscal year or 75% of this figure by December 31<sup>st</sup> of any fiscal year, then the first item in the cost containment strategies highlighted below in the Table B) – loss of CTO -- will occur and remain in place for term of the contract. Should the Program exceed the Expenditure Cap in any subsequent fiscal year, then the other containment strategies set forth in Table B would occur. The major changes to the current salary and benefits package for Paramedic Association members are as follows:

- 1) **Return of Step Increases** at lower (2.5%) annual rate – approximately \$12,000 per year increase;
- 2) Paramedics Association members would pay **higher health care monthly premiums** at \$25 per single/\$50 per couple and \$100 per family – approximately \$600 per year decrease.

Strong budget discipline is created by establishing expenditure controls with consequences and will ensure a sustainable program moving forward. The FY 2014-2015 adopted Final Budget reflects the cost containment envisioned in this agreement. This MOU strengthens the Budget restraint shown in the adopted FY 2014-2015. It should be noted that although the full Paramedics Program Budget is above the Cap, the Cap figure was negotiated by both parties based on prior years actual years final budget numbers. Labor costs for this program represent 87% of program costs.

If you have any questions please contact me at (760) 932-5410 or [jleddy@mono.ca.gov](mailto:jleddy@mono.ca.gov).

<b>Table A) Terms of MOU under Expenditure Cap</b>		
<b>Item</b>	<b>Agreement</b>	<b>Annual Fiscal impact</b>
TERM of MOU	3 YEARS – August 1, 2014 to July 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2017	No Cost
Health Insurance	Employees to increase premium payment of monthly amounts to \$25, \$50 and \$100 from current levels effective 11/01/2014	(\$575)
Overtime control (time worked)	Reduce overtime through modification of overtime to only be provided for actual time worked	Included in current expected savings
Staffing Levels	Although Management did not concede this is a mandatory meet and confer item the agreement was to limit ratio of Paramedics to EMTs to current 16 to 8	no new savings
Personnel Rules	Align with other labor units personnel rule changes to the extent possible	0
Compensation reform	Parties Agree To Determine Market Rates for EMTs and Paramedics During The Term Of this MOU.	unknown long-term savings
Job Descriptions	The County's January 2014 job descriptions were accepted by the Association.	0
Uniform Allowance and Replacement	Article 22 Updated	0
Scheduling Concerns	Standard Operating Procedure provided by Management on October 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2013 will be incorporated into MOU.	0
Retirement Benefits	Update MOU to comply with Public Employees Pension Reform Act rates for new members	0
Sick Leave	Convert sick leave cash out upon employment separation to 1 year PERS-able service credit toward retirement or cash out. Reduced level of sick leave reimbursement of 5 year years to 50% and at 10 year 100% reimbursement per MOU	0
Steps	Return of steps at half of prior step rate (New is 2.5 annually)	\$12,000
Estimated Savings due to management program changes	Per Associations' February 6, 2014 Proposal	(\$591,239)
	Sub Total:	(\$579,814)
	Less negotiated \$79,000	(\$500,000)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$500,000)</b>

**Table B) Range of automatic additional cost savings implemented (beginning with first item) should the Expenditure Cap be exceeded.**

Overtime control (CTO)	Reduce overtime through elimination of CTO Accrual	\$205,188
Health Insurance	Increase Health care premium share of cost to 80% for Employee and 20% for Employer and replace the \$25/\$50/\$100)	\$192,392
Compensation reform	Reduce Base pay by up to 5%	\$124,556
Overtime Control (New Shift schedule)	3 TEAMS 48 HOUR SHIFTS / week      1 TEAM 24 HOUR SHIFT / week	\$343,188
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$865,324</b>







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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE** October 7, 2014

**Departments: County Administrator**

**TIME REQUIRED** 10 minutes (5 minutes staff presentation/5 minute Board Discussion)

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD**

Jim Leddy and Marshall Rudolph

**SUBJECT** Proposed Amendment to Mono County Deputy Sheriff's Association MOU

### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed resolution amending Mono County Deputy Sheriff's Association 2014-2017 MOU and rescind layoff notices issued to DSA members of September 16, 2014.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Adopt proposed resolution. Provide any desired direction to staff.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact would be budget neutral.

The delay of the DSA step increases for FY 2014-2015 would be \$27,000 in savings. A 40 hour unpaid furlough for all DSA members would create approximately \$67,800 in savings. The total in concessions provided by DSA in FY 2014-2015 \$ would be 94,800. In addition, the shift in funding from Sheriff's Department Motor Pool line item (\$4,000) to Staffing costs as well as use of Asset Forfeiture funds (\$85,000) would be budget neutral. A total of \$183,800 would be re-allocated.

All of these savings and fund shifts would be re-allocated to cover compensation costs within the Sheriff's Department budget to prevent layoffs in FY 2014-2015.

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Director of HR/Risk Management

October 1, 2014

To: Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors

From: Jim Leddy, County Administrative Officer

**SUBJECT:** Ratification of 2014-2017 Mono County Deputy Sheriff's Association Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt proposed Amendment to DSA 2014-2017 MOU and rescind layoff notices issued to DSA member of September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The fiscal impact of delaying the DSA step increases for FY 2014-2015 would be \$27,000 in savings. A 40 hour unpaid furlough for all DSA members would create approximately \$67,800 in savings. The total in concessions provided by DSA in FY 2014-2015 would be \$94,800.

The shift in funding from Sheriff's Department Motor Pool line item (\$4,000) to Staffing costs as well as use of Asset Forfeiture funds (\$85,000) would be budget neutral.

**DISCUSSION:** On May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Board of Supervisors ratified the current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Mono County Deputy Sheriff's Association. This MOU includes a three year term (July 2014 to June 2017); increasing the employee cost of the health care premium from a 0/\$25/50 monthly premium for single, employee plus one and employee plus two or more dependents to \$25/\$50/\$100; the return of step increases at a reduced rate; and, the exchange of a cost of living adjustment in equal amount to the employee share of cost for retirement. A tentative agreement was reached and the DSA approved the agreement in late April 2014. The Contract term began on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Concurrently as the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget was under development, it became clear that revenues to the Sheriff's Department would be insufficient for current staffing levels. On September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 as part of the FY 2014-2015 Final Budget adoption, under Mono County Personnel Rules, two layoff notices were issued which would take effect on October 15, 2014 should additional savings not be found to save these jobs. The two positions noticed were a Sergeant and a Deputy Sheriff II.

The County's negotiating team met with the DSA's negotiating team as mandated under the MOU to discuss layoff impacts. The DSA initially proposed a series of potential savings might remove the need for layoffs in FY 2014-2015. That first proposal was not viable and a second proposal was recommended.

It would only be through these savings that the funding gap in the Sheriff's Department budget has is balanced and the layoff notices which were issued for one Sergeant and one Deputy can be justified in being rescinded. This proposal was ratified by the DSA in a membership vote the week of September 16<sup>th</sup>.

Specifically, the 2<sup>nd</sup> DSA proposal, which is being presented as an amendment to the MOU in order to rescind the two layoffs, includes the following:

1. **Step Increase delay** - A delay in the return of step increases until July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 - \$27,000 savings;
  2. **Asset Forfeiture funds one time use** - One time basis for staff costs - \$85,000;
  3. **Reduction in Sheriff Motor Pool costs** - \$4,000 – Reduction of Sheriff’s Department motor pool costs due to surrender of several department vehicles due to reduced staffing;
  4. **40 hour unpaid time off (furlough)** - \$67,800 – 40 hours of unpaid time off (furloughs) for all DSA members to be taken in FY 2014-2015 – if not taken those hours will be lost effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.
- \$183,800 Approximate Total savings.***

This combination of cost delays, reductions and funding shifts within the Sheriff’s Department will allow the rescission of layoff notices. However, this is only an answer for FY 2014-2015. 2015-2016 FY would have funding shortfall unless additional revenues are found between now and July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015.

The MOU amendment does not impact any of the other aspects of the MOU as ratified by the Board and the DSA on May 15<sup>th</sup>. As background, this current DSA MOU includes:

- 1) A 5% Cost of Living Adjustment in exchange for an Employee pick up of retirement costs of 7% to ensure a revenue neutral position for the County;
- 2) Increasing monthly health premiums to \$25 (single)/\$50 (couple)/\$100 (Family);
- 3) A contract term of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017.

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**RESOLUTION NO. R14-\_\_**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE 2014-2017 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE MONO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION (ALSO KNOWN AS THE DEPUTY SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION), AND RESCINDING THE LAYOFFS OF CERTAIN EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY SAID ASSOCIATION

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Board Resolution R14-52, adopted on September 16, 2014, the County laid off County employees in certain designated positions, including two positions represented by Mono County Sheriff's Officers' Association (also known as the Deputy Sheriffs' Association ("DSA")) pursuant to Section 600 et. seq. of the Personnel System applicable to the DSA; and

**WHEREAS**, the County is required by the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (Section 3500 et seq. of the Government Code) to meet and confer with recognized employee organizations regarding impacts of layoffs to members of employee organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mono County Board of Supervisors has the authority under Section 25300 of the Government Code to prescribe the compensation, appointment, and conditions of employment of county employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the County is required by the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (Section 3500 et seq. of the Government Code) to meet and confer with recognized employee organizations before changing the terms and conditions of employment applicable to the employee classifications represented by those organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, representatives of the County and the DSA met, conferred, and reached mutually-acceptable terms for an amendment to the 2014-2017 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), a copy of which is attached hereto as an exhibit and incorporated herein by this reference, in exchange for the County's agreement to rescind the two layoffs issued to the DSA employees.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mono County Board of Supervisors that:

1. The proposed First Amendment to the 2014-2017 Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between the County of Mono and the Mono County Sheriff's Officers' Association, a copy of which is attached hereto as an exhibit is hereby ratified, adopted, and approved, and the terms and conditions of employment set forth in the First Amendment to the 2014-2017 MOU are hereby prescribed for the employee classifications represented by that Association. The Chair of the Board of Supervisors shall execute said First Amendment to the 2014-2017 MOU on behalf of the County; and

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**FIRST AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN  
THE COUNTY AND THE MONO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICERS'  
ASSOCIATION (AKA THE DEPUTY SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION)**

This Agreement, between the County of Mono and the Mono County Sheriff's Officers' Association (aka the Deputy Sheriffs' Association) modifies portions of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in effect from January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2016. In order to rescind the layoff notices for DSA classifications approved by the Board on September 16, 2014, and to correct an oversight in the original MOU language, the parties have agreed to add Article 6.F to the MOU, and to modify (amend) Article 6.B., and the last paragraph of Article 27 of the MOU (retroactively), to read as follows:

- **“ARTICLE 6. SALARY ADJUSTMENT/TERM**
  - B. Effective as of July 1, 2015, covered employees shall be eligible to earn or receive “step increases.” And no time worked while step increases have been frozen, either pursuant to a previously adopted MOU and/or the 2012 Imposed Terms and Conditions, shall be counted for purposes of determining any step increases provided pursuant to this MOU. Notwithstanding any provision in the Mono County Code or Mono County Personnel System to the contrary, each “step increase” provided pursuant to this MOU shall be equivalent to two and one half percent (2.5%) of the employee's base salary (a total of 10 steps, instead of 5, shall be available under this provision).
  - F. **FURLOUGHS**
    1. Upon ratification of this MOU, each covered employee shall have a bank of forty (40) unpaid furlough hours for the 2014/2015 fiscal year. Any and all unpaid furlough hours shall have no monetary value, and if any given covered employee does not utilize said hours, he/she shall not be compensated in any way for failing to use said hours, provided, however, that the use of such hours was not unreasonably denied by the employee's department head. An employee shall request to use the unpaid furlough hours in the same manner as he/she is required to request the use of vacation time. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, a department head, and/or the CAO, may require an employee to utilize unpaid furlough hours not yet utilized by an employee, at specified dates, and in the County's sole discretion.
    2. Covered employees subject to this section shall have their base salary reduced in an amount equivalent to reducing their weekly work hours by the forty hours of unpaid furlough hours that they are responsible. As a result, the monthly paycheck for each employee will be reduced by that amount as uniformly as reasonably possible. The pay reduction for the 2014/2015 fiscal year shall be accounted for in however many pay periods of the 2014/2015

fiscal year remain after ratification of this MOU by the UNION and the COUNTY (which is expected to be nine (9) pay periods).

3. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, upon adoption of this MOU until December 31, 2015, there shall be no limit on vacation accrual for those covered employees subject to this Article. Beginning December 31, 2016, vacation accrual limits, as set forth in Article 12 above, shall again govern.
4. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, from October 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, employees shall not be eligible to sell back vacation hours for monetary compensation.
5. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, any unpaid furlough hours taken pursuant to this Article shall not adversely affect any of the following:
  - i. Seniority;
  - ii. Leave Accruals;
  - iii. FTE Status;
  - iv. Health, dental, and/or vision insurance benefits;
  - v. Eligibility for health, dental, and/or vision insurance benefits;
  - vi. Longevity and/or an employee's eligibility date for longevity;
  - vii. Anniversary dates for step increases;
  - viii. Years of service for retirement purposes;
  - ix. Probationary periods;
6. Additionally, all things otherwise being equal, while the COUNTY's 401(a) Plan contribution to those covered employee's subject to this Article will necessarily decrease during the first two fiscal years covered by this MOU, the COUNTY agrees to hold harmless said contributions from the effect of the furloughs by providing a one-time contribution to the 401(a) Plan of a covered employee in the amount the COUNTY would otherwise have contributed to the 401(a) plan had said furloughs not been in effect, at the end of each applicable fiscal year. For example, if a covered employee normally had a base salary of \$100, and contributed 3% (i.e. \$3) of his/her base salary to his/her 457 Plan during the 2014/2015 fiscal year, the COUNTY would normally contribute \$3 to said employee's 401(a) Plan during that 2014/2015 fiscal year. But if, due to furloughs during the 2014/2015 fiscal year, 3% of the employee's base salary was reduced to a value of \$2, and the employee did not change his/her % contribution to his/her 457 Plan, absent this provision, the COUNTY would likewise only contribute \$2 (i.e. the new 3% value) to the employee's 401(a) Plan during the 2014/2015 fiscal year. However, in order to hold the employee's COUNTY contribution harmless, the COUNTY would make a one-time contribution of \$1 to the employee's 401(a) Plan at the end of the 2014/2015 fiscal year."

- “ARTICLE 27. EDUCATIONAL INCENTIVE PAY

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the maximum total additional compensation that may be received by an employee pursuant to this Article is twelve and a half percent (12.5%) of the sum of his or her base salary and longevity pay. For purposes of this Article, “base salary” means the range and step at which the employee is paid.”

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto, acting by and through their duly authorized representatives, have executed this First Amendment with the intent that it be effective for the period herein specified.**

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**LARRY K. JOHNSTON, CHAIRMAN**  
**Mono County Board of Supervisors**

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**SETH CLARK, PRESIDENT**  
**Mono County Sheriff’s Officers’ Association**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**MARSHALL RUDOLPH**  
**COUNTY COUNSEL**

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**MICHAEL MCGILL**  
**ASSOCIATION NEGOTIATOR**



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**REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST**

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: County Administrator's Office**

**TIME REQUIRED**      20 minutes (5 minute staff  
presentation/15 minute Board  
Discussion)

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

Jim Leddy and Marshall Rudolph

**SUBJECT**              Ratification of MOU for MCPE  
bargaining unit

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**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Proposed Resolution adopting and approving a memorandum of understanding between the County and Local 39, the exclusively recognized employee organization representing the Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) bargaining unit, and rescinding certain layoffs of employees in the MCPE bargaining unit.

To view attachments associated with this item, please click on the link below and look under "additional documents". Copies of attachments are also available in the clerk's office: <http://www.monocounty.ca.gov/bos/event/board-supervisors-64>

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt proposed resolution #R14-\_\_\_\_\_, adopting and approving a memorandum of understanding between the County and Local 39, the exclusively recognized employee organization representing the Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) bargaining unit, and rescinding certain layoffs of employees in the MCPE bargaining unit. Provide any desired direction to staff.

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

FY 2013-14 – No Fiscal Impact\* – Term of Contract covers 1/1/2014-6/30/2014

FY 2014-2015 Fiscal Impact \$15,293,759

FY 2015-2016 Fiscal Impact \$15, 293,759

FY 2016-2017 Fiscal Impact \$15,891,614

FY 2017-2018 Fiscal Impact \$15,891,614

FY 2018-2019 Fiscal Impact \$7,945,807\*

Total Contract term value \$70,316,553

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**MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:**

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

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- [MCPE MOU Ratification Cover Memo](#)
  - [MCPE MOU Resolution of Adoption and Recession of Layoffs](#)
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**History**

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10/1/2014 3:55 PM	County Administrative Office	Yes
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Jim Leddy  
County Administrative Officer  
Acting Director of HR/Risk Management

October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

To: Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors

From: Jim Leddy, County Administrative Officer  
Leslie Chapman, Finance Director  
Marshall Rudolph County Counsel  
John Vallejo, Deputy County Counsel

**SUBJECT: Mono County Employees Association Memorandum of Understanding Ratification**

**Fiscal Impact:** FY 2013-14 – No Fiscal Impact\* – Term of Contract covers 1/1/2014-6/30/2014  
FY 2014-2015 Fiscal Impact \$15,293,759  
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FY 2018-2019 Fiscal Impact \$7,945,807\*  
Total Contract term value \$70,316,553

\* = Although contract covers this period there is no Fiscal impact for this contract in that period as the expenses of labor were previously budgeted by FY 2013-2014 Budget.

\*\* = The Contract term cover first half of FY 2018-2019.

**Discussion:** Starting in December 2013 and concluding on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014, the Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) bargaining unit represented by Local No. 39 met and conferred with the County's Negotiations Team to bring forward a contract for Board consideration. The MOU before the Board reflects the efforts of both sides to balance the ongoing fiscal strain the County is facing by rebasing the County's labor costs with the fair and needed effort to provide county employees with a reasonable compensation package as well as provide savings to prevent layoffs.

The MOU being presented was ratified by MCPE member on Tuesday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 and has the following primary elements:

- **4 year contract** - Term of January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2018;
- **Unpaid time off** - 48 hour mandatory unpaid time off in first two years for all MCPE employees except for two exempted by federal contract provisions;

- **Increased Health care costs for employees** - An increase to employees in their cost of health care premiums to the following schedule – a monthly premium \$25 per single/\$50 per couple and \$100 per family
- Voluntary unpaid time off (furloughs) totaling....
- **Step Increases return in third year** - the return of evaluation based steps at half the prior county rate or 2.5% annually;
- **Cost of Living Increase in third and fourth year of Contract** - 2% Cost of Living adjustment for MCPE employees in years 3 and 4;
- **Layoff moratorium** unless Property tax values drop below FY 2013-2014 levels;
- **Net savings to County compared to current imposed contract;**

Mono County MCPE labor costs in FY 2013-2014 were approximately \$15.65 million. In order to close the budget gap without labor concessions, layoff notices were issued to 7 employees. The savings achieved in the first two years of the contract would allow the rescission of 6 of the 7 with the only caveat being that the voluntary furlough hours must achieve certain levels to provide funding for the 6<sup>th</sup> layoff to be avoided. However, even with the savings provided, the 7<sup>th</sup> layoff will still be required.

<b>Table A) Cost estimates</b>					
Contract Item	Yearly costs (% of annual costs)				Fiscal Impact over current cost structure of MCPE employees imposed contract (increased county costs in black County saving in red)
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	
48 Mandatory Unpaid Time Off (Furloughs)	-\$253,333 (-1.62%)	\$253,333 (-1.62%)			-\$506,666 (-0.8%)
Health care	-\$105,000 (-0.67%)	-\$105,000 (-0.67%)	-\$105,000 (-0.67%)	-\$105,000 (-0.67%)	-\$420,000 (-0.67%)
COLA	0	0	\$211,000 (1.3%)	\$211,000 (1.3%)	\$422,000 (0.67%)
Steps	0	0	\$133,522 (0.85%)	\$133,522 (0.85%)	\$267,044 (0.42%)
Voluntary Furloughs	TBD	TBD	0	0	TBD
<b>Total Increase/(Decrease)</b>	<b>-\$358,333 (-2.29%)</b>	<b>-\$358,333 (-2.29%)</b>	<b>\$239,522 (1.53%)</b>	<b>\$239,522 (1.53%)</b>	<b>-\$237,622 (-0.38%)</b>

**Recommendation:** Given the lack of compensation increases since 2010 for MCPE employees, the ongoing reductions in workforce as well the ongoing demands for high quality services, this contract reflects a balanced approach to contain costs, provide employees certainty and ask them to sacrifice in exchange for maintaining service levels. Over the contract term, it saves the County money over current spending patterns of the status quo. It also provides our employees.

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**RESOLUTION NO. R14-\_\_**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MONO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADOPTING AND APPROVING A NEW MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND LOCAL 39, THE EXCLUSIVELY RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING THE MONO COUNTY PUBLIC EMPLOYEES (MCPE) BARGAINING UNIT, AND RESCINDING CERTAIN LAYOFFS OF EMPLOYEES IN THE MCPE BARGAINING UNIT

**WHEREAS**, the County is required by the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (Section 3500 et seq. of the Government Code) to meet and confer with recognized employee organizations regarding impacts of layoffs to members of employee organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mono County Board of Supervisors has the authority under Section 25300 of the Government Code to prescribe the compensation, appointment, and conditions of employment of county employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the County is required by the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (Section 3500 et seq. of the Government Code) to meet and confer with recognized employee organizations before changing the terms and conditions of employment applicable to the employee classifications represented by those organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Board Resolution R14-52, adopted on September 16, 2014, the County laid off County employees in certain designated positions, including seven positions in Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) bargaining unit pursuant to Section 600 et. seq. of the Personnel System applicable to MCPE; and

**WHEREAS**, representatives of the County and Local 39, majority representative of MCPE, met, conferred, and reached mutually-acceptable terms for new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), a copy of which is attached hereto as an exhibit and incorporated herein by this reference, and reached an agreement to rescind at least five of the seven layoffs of employees in those MCPE positions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mono County Board of Supervisors that:

1. The proposed new Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) between the County of Mono and Local 39, a copy of which is attached hereto as an exhibit is hereby ratified, adopted, and approved, and the terms and conditions of employment set forth in the new MOU are hereby prescribed for the employee classifications represented by that bargaining unit. The Chair of the Board of Supervisors shall execute said new MOU on behalf of the County; and

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**REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST**

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**TIME REQUIRED**

**SUBJECT**              Closed Session--Human Resources

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Marshall Rudolph, John Vallejo, Leslie Chapman, and Jim Leddy. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39--majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO), and Mono County Sheriff Department's Management Association (SO Mgmt).  
Unrepresented employees: All.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

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**SUBJECT**              Closed Session - Conference with Real  
Property Negotiators

**PERSONS  
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**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Property: Pumice. Agency negotiators: Tony Dublino, Stacey Simon, and Jim Leddy. Negotiating parties: Mono County and LADWP. Under negotiation: Price and terms of sale.

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Property Negotiators

**PERSONS  
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**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS. Government Code section 54956.8. Property: Pumice Valley Landfill.  
Agency negotiators: Tony Dublino, Jim Leddy, Stacey Simon. Negotiating parties: Mono County and Los Angeles Department of Water  
and Power. Under negotiation: Price and Terms.

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**PERSONS  
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**SUBJECT**              Closed Session - Existing Litigation

**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Name of case: Russel Covington et al., v. Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District et al. (Mono County as Real Party in Interest).

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Public Works - Motor Pool**

**TIME REQUIRED**      45 minutes (10 minute presentation; 35  
minute discussion)      **PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD**      Jeff Walters

**SUBJECT**              Motor Pool Fleet Reduction

### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Presentation on the current Mono County vehicle fleet as follow up to Board workshop discussion on size and efficiency.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive staff report on potential reductions in Motor Pool fleet size. Provide any desired direction to staff.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

It will depend upon the number of vehicles removed from the fleet and individual department use patterns.

**CONTACT NAME:** Jeff Walters

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**Date:** October 7, 2014  
**To:** Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Jeff Walters, Public Works Director/Director of Road Operations and Fleet Services  
**Subject:** Motor Pool Fleet Efficiency

## **Recommended Action:**

Receive staff report regarding a potential to reduce the fleet size and improve efficiencies of Mono County's Motor Pool. Provide any desired direction to staff.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

Unknown at this time. It will depend upon the number of vehicles removed from the fleet and individual department use patterns.

## **Discussion:**

Mono County has 157 vehicles in the Motor Pool fleet. These include 108 specialty vehicles and 49 Non-Specialty Vehicles. A specialty vehicle is defined as a vehicle set up with tools, equipment and other apparatus necessary for the operator to perform functions of their job (Sheriff units, Ambulances, construction trucks etc.).

On September 11, 2014, Public Works sent an email to Mono County department heads requesting reductions in their respective department vehicle inventory, especially in their non-specialty units. Department heads were asked to review every vehicle in their fleet, determine its necessity, investigate methods to reduce reliance upon vehicle use, and then respond with any information on reducing their fleet requirements.

At the Board of Supervisors budget hearing on September 16, 2014 the Board requested Public Works follow up with vehicle shops in the Mammoth area on sharing space in their shop facility. Several agencies were contacted including the Town of Mammoth Lakes, Mammoth Unified School District and Mammoth Mountain Ski Resort.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Jeff Walters at 932-5459.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Walters  
Public Works Director/Director of Road Operations and Fleet Services



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**REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST**

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Public Works**

**TIME REQUIRED**      10 minutes (5 minute presentation; 5 minute discussion)      **PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD**      Jeff Walters

**SUBJECT**              Motor Pool - Sale of Surplus Vehicles to Special Districts

**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Surplus vehicle offer to Special Districts request.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

1. Receive staff report regarding request from Antelope Valley Fire Protection District to purchase a surplus 2009 Ford Expedition (unit 0746) from Mono County for \$1.00; a request from the Chalfant Valley Fire Department to purchase a surplus 2008 Ford Expedition (unit 0717) from Mono County for \$1.00; and a request from Southern Mono Healthcare District to purchase a surplus 2009 Ford Expedition (unit 0745) from Mono County for \$1.00;
2. Find that the 2009 Ford Expedition (unit 0746, VIN 1FMFU165529EB03956) is in good condition but is excess and/or unneeded property;
3. Find that the 2008 Ford Expedition (unit 0717, VIN 1FMFU16588LA65109) is in good condition but is excess and/or unneeded property;
4. Find that the 2009 Ford Expedition (unit 0745, VIN 1FMFU16549EB03957) is in good condition but is excess and/or unneeded property;
5. Authorize Public Works Director to prepare, process, and execute applicable documents on behalf of Mono County to transfer ownership of unit 0746 to the Antelope Valley Fire Protection District, unit 0717 to the Chalfant Fire Protection District, and unit 0745 to the Southern Mono Healthcare District;
6. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Each Ford Expedition has an estimated value of \$6,000 at auction. Mono County could lose potential Motor Pool revenue of approximately \$18,000.

**CONTACT NAME:** Jeff Walters

**PHONE/EMAIL:** 760 932 5459 / jwalters@mono.ca.gov

SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT WITH ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
**PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. ON THE FRIDAY  
32 DAYS PRECEDING THE BOARD MEETING**

**SEND COPIES TO:**

**MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:**

YES    NO

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## ATTACHMENTS:

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- [Motor Pool - Sale of Surplus Vehicles to Special Districts](#)
- [EXHIBIT 1 - Surplus Vehicle List](#)
- [EXHIBIT 2 - Special District Memo](#)

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**Date:** October 7, 2014

**To:** Honorable Chair and Members of the Board of Supervisors

**From:** Jeff Walters, Public Works Director/Director of Road Operations and Fleet Services

**Subject:** Motor Pool - Sale of Surplus Vehicles to Special Districts

### **Recommended Action:**

1. Receive staff report regarding a request from the Antelope Valley Fire Protection District (AVFPD) to purchase a surplus 2009 Ford Expedition (Unit 0746) from Mono County, a request from the Chalfant Valley Fire Department (CVFD) to purchase a surplus 2008 Ford Expedition (Unit 0717), and a request from Southern Mono Healthcare District (SMHD) to purchase a surplus 2009 Ford Expedition (0745) from Mono County for \$1.00 each.
2. Find that the 2009 Ford Expedition (Unit 0746, VIN 1FMFU16529EB03956) is in good condition but is excess and/or unneeded property.
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4. Find that the 2009 Ford Expedition (Unit 0745, VIN 1FMFU16549EB03957) is in good condition but is excess and/or unneeded property.
5. Authorize the Public Works Director to prepare, process, and execute applicable documents on behalf of Mono County to transfer ownership of Unit 0746 to the AVFPD, Unit 0717 to the CVPD, and Unit 0745 to Southern Mono Healthcare District.
6. Provide any desired direction to staff.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

Based on results from previous TNT auctions, the County could lose potential Motor Pool revenue of approximately \$18,000.

### **Discussion:**

Mono County has several surplus vehicles ready for auction in October. The vehicle list (See Exhibit 1) was approved by the Mono County Administrative Officer.

Unit 0746, a 2009 Ford Expedition, Unit 0717, a 2008 Ford Expedition, and Unit 0745, a 2009 Ford Expedition (all formerly operated by Mono County Sheriff's Department) are considered surplus and/or unneeded property. Unit 0746 has 102,000 miles, Unit 0717 has 82,000 miles, and Unit 0745 has 92,000 miles.

In a memo sent out in September (See Exhibit 2) six surplus vehicles were offered to Special Districts. Three Districts responded with a request to purchase the three separate vehicles.

If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact me at 932-5459.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeff Walters  
Public Works Director/Director of Road Operations and Fleet Services

**SURPLUS SALE**

2014 Mono County Surplus Sale  
 October Sale

ITEM	UNIT	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	STYLE	MILEAGE	COLOR	V.I.N.	CONDITION / COMMENTS
1	912	2002	DODGE	TRUCK	4X4	148850	WHITE	1B7GG32X12S698468	FAIR CONDITION WITH CAMPER
2	43	2009	FORD	TRUCK	4X4	108223	WHITE	1FTSF21R09EA32785	ENGINE MISS FIRE
3	709	2008	FORD	EXPEDITION	4X4	162248	WHITE	1FMFU16598LA84073	GOOD CONDITION
4	717	2008	FORD	EXPEDITION	4X4	81671	WHITE	1FMFU16588LA65109	GOOD CONDITION
5	745	2009	FORD	EXPEDITION	4X4	91660	WHITE	1FMFU16549EB03957	GOOD CONDITION
6	746	2009	FORD	EXPEDITION	4X4	101790	WHITE	1FMFU16529EB03956	GOOD CONDITION/SMALL DOOR DENT

*Handwritten signature in blue ink, possibly reading "John" or similar, with a date "11/10/14" written below it.*



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## MEMORANDUM

To: All Mono County Special Districts  
From: Jeff Walters, Public Works Director  
Date: September 15, 2014  
Re: Mono County Vehicle Surplus

On a yearly basis the Mono County Department of Public Works conducts an auction to dispose of surplus County vehicles that have exceeded their useful life for County purposes. Public Works will be transporting all of the County's surplus vehicles to Reno for TNT Auction by October 9, 2014.

Please be advised that, upon County approval, requests from Mono County Special Districts for any vehicle identified for sale will be removed from consideration at the public auction and, upon Board of Supervisors approval, directly conveyed to the district or local agency requesting the item for \$1.00. Should more than one district or local agency request a certain item, a separate bidding process may be initiated by the Public Works Director to involve those districts and/or local agencies requesting that certain item. Enclosed for your consideration are the 2014 surplus vehicles.

Should you, as a Special District, desire any vehicle listed for disposal, please submit a formal written request (via email is fine) to me no later than 5:00 pm on **Thursday September 18, 2014** to receive consideration. The request should identify the item number for the vehicle being requested. Please also include the signature and title of the person making the request, which should be an officer, manager, member of the board, or other personnel authorized to act on behalf of the district. Vehicles available are;

ITEM	UNIT	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	STYLE	MILEAGE	COLOR	V.I.N.	CONDITION / COMMENTS
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## REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST

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**MEETING DATE** October 7, 2014

**Departments: Economic Development**

**TIME REQUIRED** 15 minutes (10 minute presentation; 5 minute discussion)

**PERSONS APPEARING BEFORE THE BOARD**

Jeff Simpson and Patrol Lieutenant Bill Dailey, Department of Fish and Wildlife

**SUBJECT** Discussion with Department of Fish and Wildlife, Patrol Lieutenant Bill Dailey

### AGENDA DESCRIPTION:

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Per the request of the Board at the September 9th 2014 regular meeting, Lieutenant Bill Dailey from the Department of Fish and Game will be in attendance to answer questions and address concerns regarding the Fish and Game Fine Fund expenditure request of \$5,070.00 for three Swarovski STS 65mm HD Spotting Scopes with 20-60 zoom eye piece and iPhone adaptor.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Provide direction to staff. Review and reconsider the request from September 3rd meeting regarding the \$5,070 expenditure from the Fish and Game Fine Fund for the purchase of three Swarovski STS 65mm HD Spotting Scopes with 20-60 zoom eye piece and iPhone adaptor.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

\$5,070.00 from the Fish and Game Fine Fund.

**CONTACT NAME:** Jeff Simpson

**PHONE/EMAIL:** (760) 924-4634 / jsimpson@mono.ca.gov

SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT WITH ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
**PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. ON THE FRIDAY  
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### MINUTE ORDER REQUESTED:

YES  NO

### ATTACHMENTS:

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## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and SPECIAL PROJECTS

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Jeff Simpson  
Economic Development Assistant  
Jsimpson@mono.ca.gov  
760-924-4634

### STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Discussion with Department of Fish and Wildlife Patrol Lieutenant Bill Dailey

RECOMMENDATION: None.

BACKGROUND: On September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2014 the Mono County Fisheries Commission approved an expenditure of \$5,070.00 from the Fish and Game Fine Fund for three Swarovski STS 65mm HD Spotting Scopes with 20-60 zoom eye piece and iPhone adaptor to be distributed to Mono County Warden / Lieutenant positions. Staff presented the Fisheries Commission request to the Board of Supervisors at September 9<sup>th</sup> 2014 regular meeting at which time the motion did not carry and the request was denied. Staff received direction from the Board to invite a representative from Department of Fish and Wildlife to answer questions and discuss the issues and concerns in more depth.

DISCUSSION: Per the request of the Board at the September 9<sup>th</sup> 2014 regular meeting, Lieutenant Bill Dailey from the Department of Fish and Game will be in attendance to answer questions and continue the discussion regarding the need for the aforementioned Swarovski scopes.

ACTION: Provide direction to staff. In the event that the Board wishes to review and reconsider the request from September 3<sup>rd</sup> to approve the \$5,070.00 expenditure from the Fish and Game Fine for the scopes, this action item is included.

FISCAL IMPACT: Should the Board approve the request, \$5,070.00 from the Fish and Game Fine Fund. The current balance in the Fish and Game Fine is \$13,105.



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Central Enforcement District  
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(559) 243-4005

Mono County Fisheries Commission  
Mono County Board of Supervisors

July 8, 2014

**Request:**

The California Department of Fish and Game is requesting a disbursement from the Mono County Fisheries Fine Account in the amount of **\$5,070.00** for the purchase of **three** Swarovski STS 65mm HD Spotting Scopes with 20-60 zoom eye piece and iPhone adaptor to be distributed to Mono County Warden / Lieutenant positions.

**Need:**

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division Inyo / Mono County Squad currently consist of five warden and one lieutenant positions. The 4240 squad is the smallest squad in CED yet with some of the State's greatest resources. The squad is responsible to protect the diminishing resources of approximately 14,000 square miles, all of Inyo / Mono Counties, the largest squad coverage area in CED and possibly the state. Even though the resident population for the area is not in comparison with other squad districts, our primary resource users and violators are from major metropolitan areas to include Los Angeles, San Diego, Sacramento, Reno and Las Vegas. To date in this physical year, the squad has the highest resource caseload with the fewest officers in the Central Enforcement District. Today more and more waterways are being opened to year round fishing, including Topaz Lake, East Walker River, West Walker River, Hot Creek, Upper Owens River, and most of Inyo County east of Hwy 395. With the year round fisheries, special regulations have been applied to these waterways to protect the fisheries, i.e. gear restrictions, catch and release, and some areas no targeting of trout. I have been working the area's trout openers for about 11 years and have seen a significant decline in the number and quality of fish and wildlife caught. This is a common statement amongst the local residents and the anglers, whom the area's economy depends on.

The 4240 squad also protects five different deer zones (consisting of 14 different seasons – X9a, X9b, X9c, X10, X12, A16, A17, A18, A19, A20, G3, G39, G38, and J12), seven different Tule elk zones with 33 different drawing options, and two big horn sheep zones. The area has a sustainable population of upland game birds and migratory game birds. There are also big game species populations that are fully protected in the district to include

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Sierra Nevada Big Horn sheep and antelope in the Bodie Hills and Fish Lake Valley.

The squad has been active in the local communities teaching hunter education in the counties' middle schools (Independence, Big Pine, Bishop, Round Valley, Mammoth Lakes, and Lee Vining) during winter months, and has brought the Outdoor Adventure Program into two of the school districts. The squad will also be teaching firearm safety to all students in the Bishop Middle School this coming fall. Other community activities the 4240 squad are involved with include "Shop with a Cop", Eastern Sierra Law Enforcement Expo., Mule Day's Fair, Mammoth Lakes – Snow Creek Kid's Fishing Tournament, Hot Creek Trout Fest, and many individual classroom presentations. These activities are invaluable with public relations in the community. However, each activity further inhibits wardens from patrolling and protecting the resources.

**Justification:**

As outlined above, Wildlife Officers assigned to Inyo and Mono Counties cover a very large patrol district with very few officers. To adequately protect the counties resources, our officers have to be in multiple spots at once. High quality spotting scopes with clear optics and high resolution will allow DFW officers to further accomplish our objectives and mission. We also require the optics to be light weight and durable. The 4240 Squad has been increasing our back country patrols. High quality spotting scopes will allow our officers to cover more of the remote locations by observing from a high advantage point. The iPhone adaptors will allow officers to record poaching activities and present as evidence in court.

I personally have been issued a low quality 15 year old Bushnell Spotting scope. Because of the size and weight it is not easily packed into remote locations. The poor quality of the optics makes it difficult to observed fish and wildlife violations at great distances and strains the eyes. Much of our district has vast open sagebrush. Wildlife violators can easily see Game Wardens at great distances coming, sometimes several miles out. This allows them time to conceal their violations. High quality spotting scopes will give the advantage back to the Wildlife Officers, intern allowing them to better protect the State and Counties' resources which the economy so highly depends on.

Furthermore, citations issued resulting from observations through the use of the spotting scopes will replenish the funds that are used to make this purchase. Currently at this time the Central Enforcement District of the Department of Fish and Wildlife is requesting funding for the purchase of 3

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spotting scopes from Inyo County Fish and Wildlife Commission and 3 spotting scopes from Mono County Fisheries Commission. **See attached quote for purchasing specifications.**

Swarovski attached bid is given at a rate only to Law Enforcement Agencies. Well below dealer cost. The Swarovski products retail at below listed prices:

**Retail Cost:**

STS 65 mm HD spotting scope	\$1877.00
20-60 Zoom eye piece	\$643.00
Spotting scope window mount	\$90.00
iPhone adaptor	<u>\$150.00</u>
<b><u>Total Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,760.00</u></b>

Swarovski has quoted the above product, per unit, for Law Enforcement purposes below:

**Agency Cost:**

STS 65 mm HD spotting scope with 20-60 Zoom eye piece	\$1600.00
Spotting scope window mount	No Charge
iPhone adaptor	<u>\$90.00</u>
<b><u>Total Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,690.00</u></b>

A total savings from retail cost of \$1,070.00 per unit

**If granted, the purchase should be made by Mono County and shipped to CA Dept. Fish and Wildlife, Attn: Lt. Bill Dailey, 407 W. Line Street, Bishop CA 93514. The equipment would then be donated to the Department of Fish and Wildlife and there must not be any extenuating circumstances attached to the gift and that the Department of Fish and Wildlife will be the sole owner of the purchased merchandise.**

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**Signature of Committee Representative**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

A purchase order will be faxed to the manufacture and payment should be made directly to Swarovski Optics. at the following:

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**SWAROVSKI OPTIK NA LTD**  
**Attn: Dustin Woods**  
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**[WWW.SWAROVSKIOPTIK.COM](http://WWW.SWAROVSKIOPTIK.COM)**

Thank you in advance for consideration of this request. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Bill Dailey, Fish and Wildlife Lieutenant, Inyo / Mono Counties, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, 407 W. Line Street, Bishop CA 93514

Telephone: (661) 203-6380, e-mail: [bill.dailey@wildlife.ca.gov](mailto:bill.dailey@wildlife.ca.gov)

Sincerely,



Bill Dailey  
California Department of Fish & Wildlife  
Patrol Lieutenant Inyo / Mono Counties

cc. Mike Carion  
Chief of Enforcement

John Baker  
Assistant Chief

Holly Spada  
Captain

Re: California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Date: 6.23.14

#### Purpose

Demonstrate the value of investing in premium optics to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Illustrate how Swarovski Optik can help maximize that investment.

#### Process

- Brief introduction to Swarovski Optik and Swarovski Optik North America
- Demonstration of the difference in Swarovski Optik and other price points for practical in the field law enforcement situations.
- Summary of the mid and long term investment value of an investment in Swarovski Optik products.
- Quotation of relevant products.
- Conclusion

#### Outcome

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife will have a clear picture of the value that an investment in premium field optics and Swarovski Optik North America will bring to the overall program.

Thank you for your consideration,

Dustin Woods  
Director of Sales  
Swarovski Optik North America

## SWAROVSKI OPTIK

Founded by Wilhelm Swarovski in 1949, SWAROVSKI OPTIK stands for the highest precision in sport optics for use by sportsmen, law enforcement and military. From binoculars to spotting scopes, to our highly successful lines of riflescopes, SWAROVSKI OPTIK is committed to constantly improving what is good, surprising our customers with new demonstrations of excellence, and exceeding their expectations.

SWAROVSKI OPTIK produces exclusively at its headquarters in Absam/Tyrol with a global workforce of approximately 750 people. The company is wholly owned by the Swarovski family. The headquarters for SWAROVSKI OPTIK NORTH AMERICA is located in Cranston, RI, and employs approximately 70 people. The North American headquarters proudly assembles a substantial portion of the products sold here in the United States and is honored to be a valuable part of the Rhode Island and United States manufacturing sector. In addition the vast majority of all product repairs and warranty work are done in the Rhode Island headquarters, shrinking turnaround times for repair work to under one month from the time products are received.

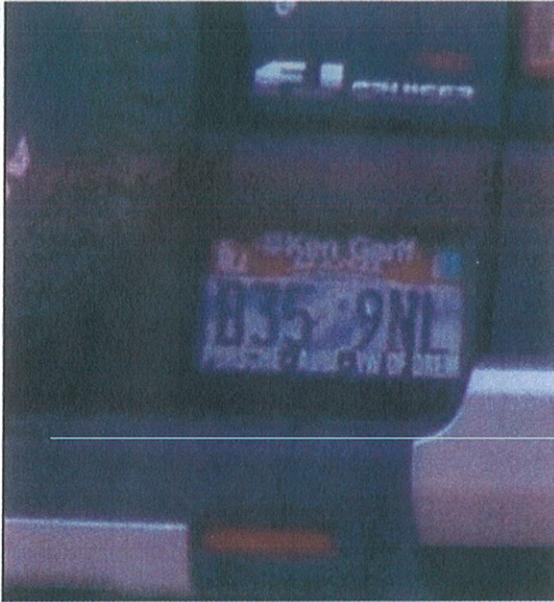
Our corporate culture is marked by a love for the outdoors, highest functioning products, precision manufacturing, the utmost care for details, as well as a deep respect for upholding the highest standards in all that we do. Our innovative spirit, the close ties we maintain with our customers and the knowledge of their desires and demands all serve to insure that our range of products is continually updated.



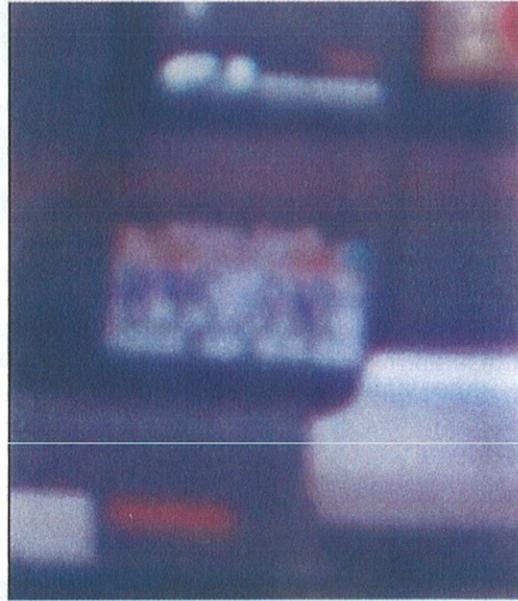
## PRODUCT COMPARISON

The following images were taken through the same camera at the same yardages, maximizing the focus capabilities of the optics and camera under real world situations. This should in no way be interpreted as a controlled or blind study. Swarovski Optik was the only party involved in the photography. Prices noted are based on published retail prices.

### 460 Yards Through Spotting Scope



Swarovski Optik



\$1200 Spotting Scope

The image on the left is clearly more visible and could make apprehension of a suspect much quicker by having a clear license plate number. Documentation for evidence would also be more useful by having clearly identifiable license plate numbers.

The further away the target object is the less clear of any image any optic will be able to produce. The above images were taken at 460 yards; the image on the left could be clear at even further distances where the image on the right is nearly unreadable already.

## PRODUCT COMPARISON

### 690 Yards Spotting Scope



Swarovski Optik



\$1200 Spotting Scope

At 690 Yards detail becomes more difficult to see and document through optics. The image on the left provides a much clearer picture at distance. Documentation of activities and persons are more usable with a clearer image.

### 920 Yards Spotting Scope



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### 920 Yards Spotting Scope



\$1200 Spotting Scope

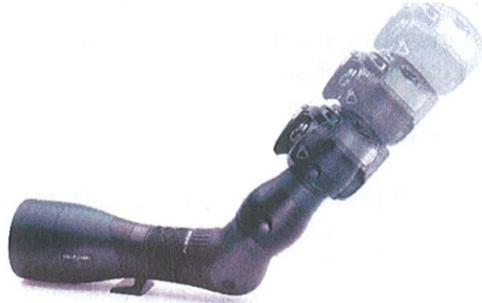
The top image at a distance of 920 yards makes identifying and documenting the armed suspect much easier. Observation and surveillance is made safer and easier by allowing the officer to remain further away from the activity.

## PHOTO / VIDEO / NIGHT VISION USE

iPhone Camera Adapter



TLS APO Camera Adapter



The above images show two of Swarovski Optik's camera adapters. The iPhone adapter on the left will work with the iPhone 5 or 5S for exceptional and easy photos and video. The TLS APO on the right will work with DSLR cameras for virtually professional level quality photo and video.

Night Vision Adapter



Adapters are available for night vision devices making the spotting scope extremely useful for long range surveillance at night. Because of the high quality optics of Swarovski Optik spotting scopes, they maximize the effectiveness of night observation even at great distances. An iPhone adapter or DSLR adapter can be used in conjunction with the night vision for documentation at night.

## LONG TERM VALUE

### Limited Lifetime Warranty

Swarovski Optik offers a Lifetime Warranty on the optical system of our products. Once examined, if it is determined that the optical system is defective we will repair or replace the instrument or defective part at no charge.

All other parts of the instrument are warranted against defects in materials or workmanship for ten years from the date of purchase.

### Repair Department

Swarovski Optik products have an exceptional long term value due not only to the Limited Lifetime Warranty but also due to our expert team of repair staff located in Cranston, RI. It is a very unique advantage to have all products repaired right here in North America. Because of our location and our constant attention to efficiency in our repair department, we have been able to reduce turnaround times for repairs to less than one month.

It is very common for our products to be used and maintained in great condition for literally a lifetime. The following example illustrates the value of our products to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

- When we receive one of our best-selling 10 x 42 SLCs in for any repair or warranty work, the following upgrades are done free of charge if the binocular is over 6 years old. This gives the customer a virtually new pair of binoculars.
  - New prisms
  - New rubber armoring
  - New focusing parts
  - New eyecups
  - Various other parts

In addition to the free repair work and upgrades that are done at Swarovski Optik, we also have very affordable repair costs if something does happen to damage a product but that is not covered under warranty. The following are just a few examples of how inexpensive it is to repair damage that may happen during field use. All products are thoroughly inspected and cleaned anytime they are brought in for repair.

- SLC 10 x 42 Objective Lenses : \$100 per pair
- SLC 10 x 42 All External Lenses : \$180
- SLC 10 x 42 Armoring : \$80

Given these examples, it is likely to estimate that the California Department of Fish and Wildlife can get more than 10 years of use out of Swarovski Optik products. Even after those ten years the products will still be worth close to the purchase price. Used Swarovski Optik products even ten years old or older sell for a significant amount, often times close to the original purchase price.

**10 Year Scenario:** An agency purchases the above example Swarovski Optik 10 x 42 SLC HD at \$1429.00 and they get ten years of use. Over those ten years they fall off a truck and need all armoring and external lenses replaced at a cost of \$260. That still means that the total cost per year to have that product is **less than \$170 per year**. In addition to a relatively low yearly cost, the officer will have all of the advantages of having superior optics. The product will still be worth a significant amount of money and still have many years of life left.

**PRICING**

The following quote represents a substantial discount from wholesale prices.

**SWAROVSKI OPTIK NORTH AMERICA**



**CONFIDENTIAL PRICE QUOTE**

Re: California Department of Fish & Wildlife  
Date : 6/23/2014

Item	Unit Price	Quantity
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iPhone Adapter for ATS/STS Spotting Scope	\$90.00	6
Window Mount for ATS/STS Spotting Scope	No Charge	6

<b>Lead Time From Time Of Order</b>	<b>10 days</b>
<b>Price Firm From Time Of Quote</b>	<b>6 months</b>
<b>Freight</b>	<b>No Charge</b>
<b>Terms</b>	<b>Net 90 Days</b>

Quoted By : Dustin Woods ; Director of Sales

## CONCLUSION

In conclusion, Swarovski Optik would like to pass on our sincere appreciation for being considered in this project. We feel that we can bring substantial value to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and are looking forward to the opportunity to work together.

We understand that the investment in our products is substantial but we strongly feel that in the mid to long term the investment will more than pay for itself. Not only from a cost perspective is the investment a worthwhile one; but the officer's effectiveness in the field through better observation, identification, surveillance, safety and documentation will all be significantly improved.

Please contact us for any questions or other support that we may be able to lend in this project. We would be happy to set up a demonstration of our products and program at any time to help assist in this decision.



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**OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**REGULAR AGENDA REQUEST**

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**MEETING DATE**      October 7, 2014

**Departments: Board of Supervisors**

**TIME REQUIRED**      20 minutes (10 minute presentation;  
10 minute discussion)

**PERSONS  
APPEARING  
BEFORE THE  
BOARD**

John Wentworth, Mammoth Lakes  
Town Councilman

**SUBJECT**              Eastern Sierra Recreation  
Collaborative

**AGENDA DESCRIPTION:**

(A brief general description of what the Board will hear, discuss, consider, or act upon)

Workshop regarding regional collaboration on recreation issues during the Inyo Forest Plan Update/Revision (requested by Supervisor Hunt).

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Conduct workshop concerning the Eastern Sierra Regional Collaborative, and provide any desired direction to staff.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

No impact.

**CONTACT NAME:** Scott Burns

**PHONE/EMAIL:** 760.924.1807 / sburns@mono.ca.gov

SUBMIT THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT WITH  
ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICE OF  
THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
**PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. ON THE FRIDAY**  
**32 DAYS PRECEDING THE BOARD MEETING**

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YES  NO

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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Time

Who

Approval

9/30/2014 10:27 AM	County Administrative Office	Yes
9/30/2014 8:40 AM	County Counsel	Yes
9/30/2014 9:56 AM	Finance	Yes

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September 7, 2014

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Scott Burns, Director  
**Re:** Eastern Sierra Recreation Collaborative Workshop

## **Recommendation**

Conduct workshop concerning the Eastern Sierra Regional Collaborative (ESRC), and provide any desired direction to staff.

## **Fiscal Impact**

No impact

## **Discussion**

At the request of Supervisor Hunt, this workshop has been scheduled to explore the potential for regional collaboration on recreation issues during the Inyo Forest Plan Revision process. At last month's Board workshop, the Inyo Forest Plan revision process was reviewed, including the scoping process that concluded last week and the scheduled release of a public review draft Environmental Impact Statement April 1, 2015. The ESRC is seeking a unified voice on recreation opportunities and advocating that a recreation management alternative be considered in the Inyo Forest Plan revision.

The workshop will review the potential for collaborating with Inyo County, Town of Mammoth Lakes, Sierra Nevada Conservancy, and other entities in influencing Inyo Forest Plan recreation policies. Please contact Scott Burns at 760.924.1807 if you have questions concerning the workshop.