



# AGENDA

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

Regular Meetings: First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified below.  
Teleconference Only - No Physical Location

### Regular Meeting March 16, 2021

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#### TELECONFERENCE INFORMATION

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9:00 AM Call meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Please refer to the Teleconference Information section to determine how to make public comment for this meeting.

**2. RECOGNITIONS**

**A. Red Cross Month Proclamation and Good Neighbor Partnership Awardee**

Departments: Social Services

20 minutes (15 minute presentation, 5 minute discussion)

(Kathy Peterson and Cathy Young, Social Services; Eddie Zamora, Executive Director, American Red Cross Kern County and Eastern Sierra Chapter) - American Red Cross (ARC) Central California Region requests the Board of Supervisors proclaim March as Red Cross Month. In addition, ARC representatives will honor Topaz Lodge with the 2020 Good Neighbor Partnership Award for their outstanding sheltering collaboration on the Mountain View Fire.

**Recommended Action:** Issue a proclamation declaring March as Red Cross Month and join Red Cross in honoring Topaz Lodge as the 2020 Good Neighbor Partnership awardee.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments

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

**4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS**

Receive brief oral report on emerging issues and/or activities.

**5. 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. Board Minutes - February 2, 2021**

Departments: Clerk of the Board

Approval of the Board Minutes from the Regular Meeting on February 2, 2021.

**Recommended Action:** Approve the Board Minutes from the Regular Meeting on February 2, 2021.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**B. Appointment to First 5 Mono County Children and Families Commission**

Departments: First 5

Request for Board of Supervisors to appoint Janice Mendez to the First 5 Mono County Children and Families Commission.

**Recommended Action:** Appoint Janice Mendez to the Mono County Children and Families Commission to serve a three-year term commencing March 16, 2021 and expiring March 15, 2024.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**C. Fiscal Year 2021 USGS Joint Funding Agreement**

Departments: Community Development

Agreements with United States Geological Survey (USGS) and Ormat Nevada, Inc. (Ormat) for FY 2021 Funding of Long Valley Hydrologic Monitoring Program.

**Recommended Action:** Authorize the Mono County Community Development Director to execute (1) the USGS Joint Funding Agreement NO. 21ZGJFA60095610 and (2) Agreement Between the County of Mono and Ormat Nevada, Inc. to fund the Long Valley hydrologic monitoring program for FY 2021.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**D. Emergency Guardrail Replacement – Project Completion**

Departments: Public Works - Roads

Completion of the Emergency Guardrail replacement project on Eastside Lane and North River Lane.

**Recommended Action:** Find that the emergency work to replace guardrails on Eastside and North River Lanes, which were damaged in the Mountain View Fire, has been completed and action is no longer needed.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**E. Virginia Lakes Road Maintenance Project**

Departments: Public Works

The project consists of asphalt maintenance by application of slurry seal, paint re striping and sign replacement on Virginia Lakes Road

**Recommended Action:**

1) Approve bid package and authorize the Public Works Department to advertise

the project for bids.

2) Authorize the Public Works Director to execute a contract, in form approved by County Counsel, with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in an amount equal or less than the Engineer's Estimate, plus 10 percent contingency.

3) Authorize the Public Works Director to reject all bids if no bid is received that is less than the Engineer's Estimate, plus 10 percent contingency.

**Fiscal Impact:** Estimate of this project is \$407,000, funded by Senate Bill No. 1 (SB1), and is included in the 2020-21 approved budget.

**F. Resolution in Support of AB 779 re: Changes to Personnel Classification**

Departments: Sheriff

Proposed Resolution R21-\_\_\_ in Support of AB 779. The Mono County Sheriff's Office is working with Assembly Member Frank Bigelow on Assembly Bill 779, which will add the Counties of Del Norte, Madera, Mono, and San Mateo to the list of counties noted in 830.1(c) of the Penal Code. Penal Code 830.1(c) authorizes peace officer status to correctional officers of specified counties while on-duty and engaged in the performance of their duties, or when performing other law enforcement duties directed by his or her employing agency during a local state of emergency.

**Recommended Action:** Approve Board of Supervisors Resolution R21-\_\_\_, in support of AB 779, further acknowledging that Mono County is requesting legislative authority to implement the changes to personnel classification.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

**A. Letter from June Lake Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) re: Request for Support of Project to Install an Electric Vehicle Charging Station at Gull Lake Park**

A letter from the June Lake Citizens Advisory Committee requesting support from the Board of Supervisors for the project to install an electric vehicle charging station at Gull Lake Park.

**B. Notice of Preparation and CEQA Scoping Meeting – Waste Discharge Requirements for Nonpoint Source Discharges on Federal Lands within the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board Region**

Notice from the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board regarding conducting a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) scoping meeting to receive input from interested persons on the scope and content of the Environmental Impact Report that will be prepared for the proposed project:

Waste Discharge Requirements for Nonpoint Source Discharges Related to Certain Activities Conducted by the Bureau of Land Management and the United States Forest Service on Federal Lands (Federal NPS Permit).

**C. Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) Temporary Urgency Change Petition to Deviate from the Stream Restoration Flow Requirements**

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) requests that the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) approve the Temporary Urgency Change Petition (TUCP), pursuant to Water Code Section No. 1435, to temporarily deviate from the Stream Restoration Flow requirements as outlined in the SWRCB Order 98-05. Upon approval of the TUCP, flows will be scheduled in Rush, Lee Vining, Walker, and Parker Creeks in accordance with the enclosed "MONO BASIN OPERATIONS PLAN UNDER THE APRIL 2021 TUCP".

**D. Rush Creek Project Relicensing, FERC Project No. 1389**

Notice that Southern California Edison (SCE) is in the early stages of relicensing the Rush Creek Hydroelectric Project (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Project No. 1389).

**7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING**

**A. Employment Development Department, Workforce Services Branch**

Departments: Social Services and EDD Workforce Services Branch  
20 minutes (10 min presentation; 10 minutes discussion)

(Kathryn Peterson (DSS), Francie Avitia (DSS), Shelly Tarver (EDD), Cristina Garza (EDD)) - Representatives with the Employment Development Department, Workforce Services Branch (Shelly Tarver, Central Valley Deputy Division Chief and Cristina Garza, Bakersfield Alternate Cluster Manager) will provide a brief presentation on the services they provide, including ways they can assist Mono County residents with general unemployment insurance navigation.

**Recommended Action:** Receive a brief presentation from representatives with the Employment Development Department, Workforce Services Branch

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**B. Superintendent of Schools Report**

Departments: Mono County Office of Education  
30 minutes

(Dr. Stacey Adler, Superintendent of Schools) - Dr. Stacey Adler, Superintendent, will present her regular update to the Mono County Board of Supervisors, including but not limited to the topics of a status update on the re-opening of schools, county-wide equity training for the schools, the social

emotional learning grant, and Child Abuse Prevention Month.

**Recommended Action:** None, informational only.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**C. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update**

1 hour

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO, Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director) - Update on Countywide response and planning related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including reports from the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), Unified Command (UC), and the various branches of the EOC, including Community Support and Economic Recovery, Joint Information Center (JIC), and Public Health.

**Recommended Action:** Approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign a letter to Governor Newsom requesting lowering the standards for rural counties to move up from tier to tier under the State COVID-19 guidelines.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**D. Mountain View Fire Update**

10 minutes

(Justin Nalder, EOC Director) - Update on the Mountain View Fire in Walker, CA.

**Recommended Action:** Receive update from Incident Command for the Mountain View Fire and involved staff regarding impacts of the fire, recovery efforts, County response, debris removal and related topics. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** No impact from this update.

**E. Urgency Ordinance Establishing Processes and Requirements for Mountain View Fire Debris Cleanup**

Departments: Environmental Health

10 minutes

(Louis Molina, Environmental Health Director) - Proposed urgency ordinance establishing processes and requirements for debris removal from Mountain View Fire damaged properties. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption and requires a 4/5 vote to pass.

**Recommended Action:** Adopt proposed ordinance.

**Fiscal Impact:** Unknown. Potential costs to Mono County could be incurred for any property that did not enter into either the OES debris removal program or the Alternative Program, and where the cost of abatement was paid for by the county.

**F. Mountain View Fire Recovery - Revisions to Temporary Emergency Dwelling Standards**

Departments: Community Development Department

10 minutes

(Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director) - Proposed resolution revising standards for the placement of temporary emergency dwellings to facilitate reconstruction associated with Mountain View Fire recovery.

**Recommended Action:** Find that the proposed resolution qualifies under CEQA exemptions 15303(a) and 15303(b), direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption, and adopt proposed resolution with any desired modifications. Provide any further direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** No anticipated further impacts beyond the impacts previously acknowledge and associated with the fee waivers adopted under Resolution R20-103.

**G. Planning Commission Appointments**

Departments: Community Development Department

5 minutes

(Wendy Sugimura, Community Development Director) - Appoint/Reappoint Planning Commissioners to serve new four year terms on the Planning Commission.

**Recommended Action:**

- 1) Reappoint Scott Bush, with term expiring March 1, 2025, to the Mono County Planning Commission as recommended by Supervisor Peters; and
- 2) Appoint Jora Fogg, with term expiring March 1, 2025, to the Mono County Planning Commission as recommended by Supervisor Gardner; and
- 3) Reappoint Roberta Lagomarsini, with term expiring March 1, 2025, to the Mono County Planning Commission as recommended by Supervisor Duggan.

**Fiscal Impact:** No impact beyond budgeted expenses.

**H. Assessment Appeals Board Presentation**

Departments: Clerk of the Assessment Appeals Board

20 minutes (15 minute presentation; 5 minute discussion)

(Scheereen Dedman, Assistant Clerk of the Assessment Appeals Board) - This item is a presentation of an overview of the Assessment Appeals Board, including it's purpose, assessment types, appeal / hearing schedule, the appeal process, and the local rules. This item will also review proposed amendments to the Mono County Assessment Appeals Board Local Rules (Exhibit A), approved by the Assessment Appeals Board at it's annual business meeting in July 2020.

**Recommended Action:**

- 1) Receive presentation; and
- 2) Approve proposed amendments to the Mono County Assessment Appeals Board Local Rules.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

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

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**9. CLOSED SESSION**

**A. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations**

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Bob Lawton, Stacey Simon, Janet Dutcher, and Dave Wilbrecht. 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). Unrepresented employees: All.

**B. Closed Session - Public Employee Evaluation**

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Administrative Officer.

**C. Closed Session - Public Employee Evaluation**

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. Government Code section 54957. Title: County Counsel.

**THE AFTERNOON SESSION WILL RECONVENE NO EARLIER THAN 1:00 P.M.**

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

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**11. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON**

**A. Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) Update**

Departments: CAO, Board of Supervisors  
30 minutes

(David Wilbrecht, Special Projects Coordinator) - Update on implementing the Board's Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) Initiative.

**Recommended Action:** No recommended action required at this time.

**Fiscal Impact:** At the mid-year budget, the Board of Supervisors approved \$30,000 for the JEDI Initiative. A portion of these funds are being used for the next steps in implementing the Board's JEDI Initiative. Staff is coordinating and finalizing a Professional Services Agreement with Dr. Rita Cameron Wedding for the implementation as directed by the Board of Supervisors in Resolution R20-93 approved on October 13, 2020. The Professional Services Agreement is divided into three phases with fees of \$6,500 per phase for a total of \$19,500.

**12. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

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

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