

Board Meeting AGENDA

June 6 – 7, 2018

Inyo County – East Subregion



JUNE 6, 2018

Board Tour

1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Members of the Board and staff will participate in a field trip to explore issues and activities related to forest and watershed health in the East Subregion. Members of the public are invited to participate in the field tour but are responsible for their own transportation and lunch. The tour will start in the parking lot of the Creekside Inn located at 725 N. Main Street in Bishop.

Reception

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Following the Board tour, Boardmembers and staff will attend a reception open to the public. The reception will be held at the Laws Railroad Museum located 4.5 miles north of Bishop on Silver Canyon Road.

JUNE 7, 2018

Board Meeting

Cerro Coso Community College
Eastern Sierra Campus
4090 W. Line Street
Bishop, CA 93514

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

(End time is approximate.)

I. Call to Order

II. Oath of Office for New Boardmembers

III. Roll Call

IV. Approval of March 8, 2018, Meeting Minutes (ACTION)

V. Public Comments

Provide an opportunity for the public to comment on non-agenda items.

VI. Board Chair's Report

VII. Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program Proposition 1 Grant Award Recommendations (ACTION)

The Board may take action to adopt California Environmental Quality Act findings and award grants under the Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program Proposition 1 Grant Program for projects identified in Exhibit A.

VIII. Updated Grant Guidelines (ACTION)

The Board may consider and approve updated Grant Guidelines for the Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program Proposition 1, or Proposition 1 and Proposition 68 combined, Grant Program and authorize staff to take the necessary steps to implement the Grant Program.

IX. Strategic Assessment and Plan Update (INFORMATIONAL)

The Board will discuss goals and strategies being considered for the SNC's Strategic Plan and may provide staff additional direction in development of a draft Strategic Plan.

X. Environmental Compliance for projects under the CAL FIRE California Climate Investment Grant awarded to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy in 2017 (ACTION)

The Board may take action to adopt California Environmental Quality Act findings for projects being implemented with California Climate Investment grant funds awarded to the SNC from CAL FIRE.

- a. Responsible Agency for a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Fuels Reduction and Understory Burning Burton Creek State Park Project
- b. Lead Agency for a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Tobacco Gulch Ecological Restoration Project on the Eldorado National Forest
- c. Lead Agency for a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Biggie Vegetation Management and Fuels Reduction Project on the Tahoe National Forest

XI. Good Neighbor Agreement with the Plumas National Forest and Administration of Fire Settlement Funds (ACTION)

The Board will consider and may authorize staff to develop and the Executive Officer to execute a Good Neighbor Agreement with the Plumas National Forest to administer approximately \$7.2 million of Fire Settlement Funds to complete forest restoration projects in the area of the 2007 Moonlight Fire.

XII. Executive Officer's Report (INFORMATIONAL)

- a. Executive Officer Update
- b. Administrative Update
- c. Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program Update
- d. Policy Update
- e. Communications Update
- f. Proposition 84 Grant Award Report
- g. Tribal Forum Discussion Report

XIII. Boardmembers' Comments

Provide an opportunity for members of the Board to make comments on items not on the agenda.

XIV. Public Comments

Provide an opportunity for the public to comment on non-agenda items.

XV. Adjournment

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