

**Mono Basin RPAC
Regional Planning Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 14, 2016, 6:30 p.m. Lee Vining Community Center**

Members present: Lisa Cutting, Ilene Mandelbaum, Paul McFarland, Chris Lizza, Zane Davis, and Duncan King

Public Attendees and Presenters: Bob Gardner, Megan Mahaffey, Emilyn Sheffield, Tim Alpers, Dave Marquart

1. **Call to Order:** 6:35 p.m.
2. **Public Comments:** None
3. **Review Minutes:** Review and approval of the minutes for October 12, 2016 was tabled due to lack of quorum.
4. **Supervisor's Report:** Tim Alpers reported on the recent Board of Supervisor's vote regarding grazing at Conway Ranch authorizing a request for proposals letter to be circulated for a potential grazing permittee.
5. **Recognition for retiring Supervisor Tim Alpers:** A round of toasts and well-wishes to retiring Supervisor Tim Alpers for his many years of service to Mono County and, specifically the Mono Basin. Resolution acknowledging Tim's service adopted by RPAC.
6. **Chairperson's Report:** Paul reported new PUD rates to go into effect January 1, 2017.
7. **Members' Reports:**
 - a. Zane Davis: Mono City residents becoming acquainted with chlorine due to water supply issues.
 - b. Ilene Mandelbaum: Ilene is continuing to work on new RPAC members, and, in report on the recent Bi-state Sage Grouse meeting in Bridgeport, noted the addition of new birds to the Parker Meadows PMU to strengthen the population's genetic health.
 - c. Lisa Cutting: Lisa reported on her attendance at the above mentioned Conway Ranch BOS meeting.
 - d. Chris Lizza: A good deal of work has been done to get the Christmas lights lit on the tree behind Nicely's; thanks to SCE for their help with needed electrical work. Planning Commission to address transient rentals at December Planning Commission meeting.
8. **350 Mono Climate Group:** Tabled to next meeting
9. **SCE Infrastructure Update:** Alex Aguilar provided the RPAC with an update on SCE infrastructure improvements. Of note, a special use permit has been granted by the Forest Service for work on pole maintenance and replacement (wood for wood replacement) through June 2017 so watch for ongoing work. SCE engineering has checked for potential loading issues on the lines, and no issues were discovered. Additional analysis of insulators came out clean. Crews will be checking lines after wind events.
10. **County Housing Element Update (Megan Mahaffey):** Megan provided an update on survey efforts designed to inform an update of the County's Housing Ordinance. Survey will be sent to individuals and employers in conjunction with Town of Mammoth Lakes in the early months of 2017. Survey results will also inform a potential revisiting of the County's Housing Mitigation Ordinance which was suspended during the last economic downturn.
11. **Corridor Management Plan (Emilyn Sheffield, Megan Mahaffey):** Megan and Emilyn resented two separately funded but related projects on same timeline: 120 Corridor Plan and 395 Corridor Plan. Bob Gardner mentioned enhancement of the existing CURES Hwy 395 Scenic Byway kiosks; Paul mentioned the possibility of extending short trails from the existing kiosks. Emilyn noted a national classification could assist with potential federal funding. Megan discussed that the RPAC's role will be to provide collaboration with LTC and other entities to create a document that summarizes corridor needs and how to implement them while balancing

safety and preservation of the corridor and its intrinsic qualities. Corridor plan has 15-20 year lifespan – out to 2030 in Vision Statement. Deadlines – Hwy 120 plan December 2017 with a draft this Summer. Draft of Hwy 395 plan March 2017.

12. **Scott Burns Update:** New yurt up Virginia Lakes Road permitted for transient overnight use by High Sierra Snowcat. D395 internet access update at next meeting. Caltrans working to plan sidewalk upgrades to meet ADA requirements; Caltrans will come to RPAC for presentation in the coming year. An initial Mono Basin Fire Safe Council meeting will be scheduled in late January 2017.
13. **Upcoming Agenda Items:** None
14. **Adjourn:** 9:10 p.m. Next meeting Wednesday, January 11, 2017.