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AGENDA REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MEETING TIME: Wednesday, January 4, 2017, 9:00 AM-11:00 AM
LOCATION: BLM large conference room, 300 S. Richmond Rd., Ridgecrest

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CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA:

PUBLIC COMMENT: This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the Board on any matter that is not on the agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Board. Board members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification; make a referral to staff for factual information, or request staff to report back to the Board at a later meeting. Also, the Board may take action to direct the staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. However, no action may be taken by the Board at this time. [Gov. code 54954.3 (a)]

CONSENT ITEMS: Consent items are considered to be routine and non-controversial. They will be considered first and may be approved by on motion if no member of the Board or audience wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the Consent list and will be considered in listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Board concerning the item before action is taken.

Minutes/Correspondence:

Approve:

- Minutes, Regular Meeting, December 7, 2016
- Correspondence logs and:
 - Email from Ed Imsand re: CIMIS station
 - Letter to Stephan Bork; PG, CEG, CHG; NAWS China Lake re: CIMIS station
 - Letter to Judy Perkins, Ph.D., re: draft Assistance Agreement, RCD partnership

ADMINISTRATIVE and FISCAL:

Approve:

- Financial reports-account balances, spending reports, 2016 Native Plant Sale report
- Voucher

ACTION ITEMS:

- Vote on amending budget to include \$10,000 for a CIMIS station at the NAWS and drafting a letter to Stephan Bork
- Adopt a policy that sets a regular schedule for creating annual and long-range plans.
- Discuss results of Ad Hoc committee meeting. Vote on: long-range plan, work plan, and budget for work plan.
- Vote on which Errors and Omissions (E&O) insurance policy to purchase. (The DOC accreditation program requires E&O insurance for districts who give advice.)
- Discuss new DOC draft accreditation policy and rule-making documents (comment period ends 1/9/16). Vote on comments and/or comment-making process.
- Vote on Reimbursement policy. (No written policy voted on, other than vehicle use.)
- Discuss LAFCO sphere-of-influence update and questionnaire.
- Discuss upcoming Mojave Desert Ecoregion: Native Plant Materials Development and Restoration Symposium in Barstow, January 24-26, and discuss possibly authorizing someone to go and paying travel expenses. The symposium (including field trip) is free and open to the public. Advance registration preferred.

REGULAR REPORTS:

Agency Reports:

- NRCS
- CARCD/HDR

EKCRCD Committee Reports:

- **Water Resources** (Thomas/Decker/Powell)-Discuss IWVGWA meeting and public hearing, Water Resources Committee report, and other relevant matters. Discuss inviting Pal Pauer of the Primary Water Institute to make a presentation to the EKCRCD if he does not make one to the IWVCGWMG.
- **Education** (Merk, Baker)-Discuss 12/13/16 SEEP meeting.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

- Vote on whether to pay dues to NACD. The CARCD pays dues to NACD and is a member.
- Discuss board reappointments and appointments.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS:

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Inyo-Mono IRWMG annual meeting is Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at the USFS/BLM office in Bishop.

Next regular meeting is Wednesday, February 1, at 9:00 AM in the BLM large conference room in Ridgecrest.

ADJOURNMENT

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