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Desert Tortoise Council Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

7 April 2018 ECORP Consulting 215 North 5th Street, Redlands, California 92374

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Michael Tuma at 10:00 a.m. Action items are in blue, with responsible parties in red. **Motions made, seconded, and approved (or not) are shown in bold red font.**

Attendees: Kristin Berry, Greer Dolby, Peter Woodman, Judy Hohman, Ken MacDonald, Cristina Jones, Mari Quillman, Bruce Palmer, Michael Tuma, Becky Jones, Joe Probst, and Ed LaRue. **Remote Attendance:** Chris Noddings. **Absent**: Larry LaPré, Maggie Fusari. **Guests**: Halle Kohn.

- **A. Introductions**: Halle Kohn was introduced as a prospective Board member.
- **B. Review Agenda**: New issues were incorporated as needed.
- C. Meeting Minutes of 6 January 2018 and 23 February 2018: Ed LaRue prepared draft minutes of the last Board meeting and Annual Business Meeting, respectively, both in Las Vegas, Nevada, which were distributed, reviewed, and approved today as final with minor changes ("Basic" was changed to "Introductory" in several places in the Board meeting). Motion made (Becky Jones, Joe Probst), seconded (Ken MacDonald, Cristina Jones), and unanimously approved to accept the revised draft minutes of the Board meeting and Annual Business Meeting, respectively, as final.

D. Review of Board Actions since Last Board Meeting:

- a. New Storage Facility in Palmdale, CA: On 1/27/2018 with 10 endorsements and no rejections, the motion passed to provide Joe Probst \$1,800 to build a shed to be used as a storage facility by the Council at his residence in Palmdale, CA, with the understanding there would be a five-year "guarantee" for use of the facility, and any refund to the Council would be pro-rated (e.g., if circumstances change four years from now and the agreement is cancelled, the Council would receive 20% of the \$1,800, or \$360).
- **E. Next Meeting Date**: The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be at Newfields in Las Vegas, Nevada between 10:00 a.m. and approximately 4:00 p.m. on 16 June 2018. The meeting following that will be on 25 August 2018 at a place to be determined. It has become inconvenient for Arizona and Nevada members to attend in Ontario. Joe indicated there are similar costs to have the Board meeting in Las Vegas compared to Ontario. All members who are flying into Board meetings are asked to check flight schedules at preferred airports and provide those logistics to Michael Tuma.

OFFICER/COMMITTEE REPORTS

F. Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was distributed by Joe Probst. So far, we've spent \$32,487.36 more than we've taken in this year. Balance as of 3/31/2018 is \$138,095.81 in the money market account; \$48,578.22 in checking; and \$79,448.51 in the Edwards Jones account. Including the recently built storage shed in Palmdale, CA, the Council's total assets are \$279,567.21. **Motion made (Ken MacDonald), seconded (Bruce Palmer), and unanimously approved to accept the Treasurer's Report as final.**

Annual Audit Report: The 2017 Annual Audit Report was completed by Ray Butler on 31 March 2018 and distributed by Joe Probst this morning. This year the sponsorships were at an all time high at \$6,631.95. Motion made (Greer Dolby), seconded (Cristina Jones), and unanimously approved to accept the 2017 Annual Audit Report as final.

2018 versus 2019 Symposium Costs: The total costs for Sam's Town in 2018 was \$41,721.50 compared to an estimated cost of \$64,040.92 for the Wyndham facility in Tucson in 2019, so 2019 will cost about \$22,320 more than 2018. Rather than make up all of this 30% increase through registration fees, we should find more sponsors. Kristin Berry indicated that we also need to consider increased costs for the host committee and speaker travel, which Joe Probst thinks may be about \$1,000 more than Las Vegas. General consensus is to charge about \$300 for registration and a bit more for late registration. Joe Probst and Cristina Jones have been working with local Tucson entities for promotional considerations. Michael Tuma indicated we need to begin to let the membership know that costs will be higher and also to promote Tucson attractions. Southern Nevada Environmental Inc. (SNEI) has already committed to hosting the first night's mixer in Tucson. Joe Probst spent \$142.52 to replace his personal printer that he used for Council business and it stopped functioning at the 2018 Symposium. Motion made (Bruce Palmer), seconded (Ken MacDonald), and unanimously approved to provide Joe Probst \$300 to cover the recent loss of his personal printer used almost exclusively for Council printing and to purchase a new printer for Council business.

Storage Facility: Joe Probst indicated that he spent \$2,200 for the shed, and has been reimbursed for the previously approved \$1,800 (see Section D, above). **Motion made (Ken MacDonald)**, seconded (Pete Woodman), and unanimously approved to provide Joe Probst \$500 to cover additional shed expenses.

- **G.** Corresponding Secretary's Report: Becky Jones reported there was a check from Green Our Planet, which is discussed below. She also recently received a notice on the Crimson Solar Project, which she forwarded to Ed LaRue.
- **H. Membership Coordinator's/Membership Committee Report**: Mari Quillman provided the report. There are 461 members, including 334 Active, 126 Renewal Overdue, and 123 Lapsed. There are 56 Lifetime Members. Mari Quillman identified 11 tasks that she and Mary Cohen are pursuing, including accounting on a "Symposium year" versus calendar year. Greer Dolby suggested that we may want to consider an "academic membership," which could cover non-student post docs, for example.

The following responsibilities were clarified: The Nominating Committee Chair (currently Bruce Palmer) will maintain officer and Board Member At Large lists; the ongoing list of awards will be maintained by the Awards Committee Chair (currently Kristin Berry); and the Corresponding Secretary (currently Becky Jones) will maintain the official contacts list.

Mari Quillman is seeking venues for Council participation, like The Wildlife Society meeting last year that she attended and the Bioregions Festival that Joe Probst and Becky Jones plan on attending in Kernville, CA on 21 April 2018. Motion made (Joe Probst), seconded (Greer Dolby), and unanimously approved to spend up to \$300 to publish brochures to be distributed at various events by the Council. • Michael Tuma will print the brochures.

- **I. Awards Committee Reports**: Kristin Berry suggested that the Council may want to increase the Morafka Award to the amount not expended over the past several years.
- **J. Nominations Committee Report**: Bruce Palmer reported that there were several responses to our solicitation of new Board and committee members at the Symposium. Several members of SNEI indicated a willingness to help with education and outreach. It is important that we follow up and pursue these various leads. Bruce Palmer shared that we have not been successful in having people serve on committees instead of on the Board. Kristin Berry would like to have a package available to prospective new Board members, which includes minutes, position requirements, etc. Bruce Palmer will develop this package for prospective new Board members.
- K. Ecosystems Advisory Committee (EAC) Report: Ed LaRue reported that whereas there had been only six comment letters in all of 2017, there have been 21 issues already this year and 18 comment letters written between 1/7/2018 and 4/7/2018. Most of this is because of input from a retired BLM biologist in Utah, who has been sending notices of proposed projects, mostly on public lands managed by the BLM, through their website called "eplanning." Except for the Southern Nevada Resource Management Plan, for which we missed the extended deadline, we have been able to meet all deadlines thanks to Judy Hohman, Michael Tuma, Larry LaPré, Maggie Fusari, and others. Greer Dolby indicated she is willing to take the lead on Arizona projects and any projects where genetics issues are a primary concern. Kristin Berry provided recommendations on April 5, 2017 to help address issues in EAC letters, which includes specific tortoise trend information. It would be ideal to go through previous letters to include specific wording with regards to climate change, ravens, roads and fragmentation, etc. It would be good to have standard paragraphs that rely on recent scientific data that can be cut-and-pasted into letters. It is important to provide specific, science-based comments that can be upheld in case of future legal actions. The Board approves sending finalized letters to other environmental groups. We need to finish letters well before deadlines so other groups can incorporate them by reference in their letters. We need to pay attention to the tone of the letter, and to be sure that when we call something "deficient," we are able to identify the deficiency. Chris Noddings will provide Ed LaRue with contact information for an associate who may be willing to help develop standardized, canned language from our previous letters and new scientific information. • Ed LaRue will contact Michael Burroughs to see if he is willing to participate on the EAC for Nevada projects. • Judy Hohman will establish a Google Drive Gmail account to coordinate comments among Board members on our letters.

- L. Grants Committee Report: Michael Tuma provided us with fairly extensive changes to the Grants Request Policy that clarify submission requirements and evaluations, including a cover form and checklist for grant applicants. Michael Tuma will clarify deliverables and timeline associated with each grant request and be sure that this particular policy is written to be consistent with other policies (e.g., restore approval date and authority). Motion made (Ken MacDonald), seconded (Judy Hohman), and unanimously approved to adopt the revised Grants Request Policy wording with the few suggestions given above.
- 1. Lockheed Martin Grant Award: This award has been funded by Lockheed Martin already. Michael Tuma will announce the availability of this award on social media, and provide text to Mari Quillman so she can distribute it to the membership.
- **2. Betty Burge Memorial**: Ken MacDonald provided the final graphic that depicts Betty Burge with associated wording. This plaque will be maintained at the Springs Reserve in Las Vegas, Nevada for the next ten years. Kristin Berry recommended that we develop a second, replacement exhibit. This \$10,000 expenditure has already been approved. Michael Tuma will work with the Springs Preserve to complete the MOU and sign the contract for this exhibit.
- **3. Green Our Planet Campaign**: Ken MacDonald indicated that the video is still on our website, has raised \$2,000, but is not being effectively promoted for additional donations. This should be a priority with the new Education Committee discussed under Item R, below. We will encourage new Board members and potential committee members to continue to develop and pursue social media outreach.
- **M. Information, Outreach, and Social Media Committee Report**: Chris Noddings indicated there are about 1,200 "likes" on Facebook. It is suggested that we use You Tube where possible, including posting information on the Green Our Planet campaign. Michael Tuma recommended that we shorten this title to "Media Committee," which was approved by attending members.
- **1. Photo Contest submissions**: Before the last meeting, Michael Tuma created an Instagram account that allows us to post photographs from the Symposia.
- 2. Website redesign: Michael Tuma has been working on this, including talking to web designers. He spoke to one designer ("GoodWebWorks.com"), who indicated a new web design would cost about \$4,000. Based on Michael Tuma's research and other Board members' input, this is a very good price. The product the designer creates would then be maintained by webmaster, Mary Cohen. Motion made (Joe Probst), seconded (Ken MacDonald), and unanimously approved to enlist GoodWebWorks.com for \$5,000 to redesign our website using existing information.
- **3. Timeliness of website updates**: Each committee chair should work with Mary Cohen to be sure that their respective website information is updated.
- **4. New Newsletter Editor, Caitlyn Bishop**: Caitlyn Bishop's email address is on the new Board member contact list dated 5 March 2018.

- **N. Agency Coordinating Committee**: Cristina Jones recently provided Board members with a list of prospective California biologists to attend upcoming meetings. Several state agencies were mentioned and others asked if county biologists should be invited. All members are asked to provide any additional feedback to Cristina Jones. The meeting would likely be scheduled this summer, possibly August. We may consider splitting the group into Recovery Units, like the West Mojave and the Colorado/Northeastern Mojave, for example. The meeting would be during the week and if split in two, occur on consecutive days. We should also consider a future meeting among nonprofit groups.
- **O.** Workshop Committee Report: Maggie Fusari recently provided an email with a few thoughts that were not reiterated today.

P. Annual Symposium Program Committee Report:

- 1. Review of lessons learned from the 2018 Symposium: More information was included in Kristin Berry's summary document than are reiterated herein. David Carr recommended that we acquire at least one new projector, possibly a second backup one. We need to determine projector costs before the June Board meeting. Chris Noddings reiterated that "Tech Soup" may be a cost effective way to purchase audio-visual equipment. We may want to acquire a three-light system, green-yellow-and red (or other system), which will inform speakers to finish up. Kristin Berry will update the guidelines for speakers to be sure that the aspect ratios are compatible with the audio-visual equipment. The Wyndham screens will be 12 x 8 feet (Sam's Town was 16 x 10 feet). We should consider presenting the awards on Friday night to shorten the Saturday night proceedings. If the keynote speaker is receiving an award, we could present their award before their talk. All agreed we should not shorten the Saturday night mixer; that presenting awards on Friday night will help avoid a late Saturday night. We should include a lapel microphone on our equipment list.
- 2. Planning the 2019 Symposium in Tucson: The Symposium will be 21 through 23 February 2019. Cristina Jones is working with the Tucson Herpetological Society on a variety of services and other arrangements. Cristina Jones and Mari Quillman will continue to solicit potential sponsors. All Board members are encouraged to help identify sponsors and share that information with Cristina Jones. Mari Quillman will work on a different sponsorship format, where a group would sponsor a lunch, for example. To facilitate these new sponsorship opportunities, Cristina Jones would need to determine the costs for various meals. Cristina has found several local biologists to lead field trips, particularly to find Gila monsters. Field trips would be on Wednesday, February 20 and possibly on Sunday, February 24. Planned sessions include Gila monster, Morafka tortoise, Goode's thornscrub tortoise, nutrition, translocation/augmentation, etc. Turtle Survival Alliance has offered to have a representative at our Symposium and asked that we provide someone at their August symposium.
- **3. Venue selection for 2020**: Tracy Bailey and Cristina Jones are pursuing potential locations for the 2020 Symposium and will work with Joe Probst to submit requests for proposals to the Las Vegas Convention Bureau.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Q.** Ad Hoc Advanced Workshop Committee: We now have three workshops: Introductory Workshop, Health Assessment Techniques, and Advanced Workshop, with only the Introductory Workshop being formally recognized in the Bylaws. The latter two are both under the title of "Advanced Workshops," which do not occur annually. Cristina Jones and Bruce Palmer will develop a proposal to submit to Michael Tuma to formally recognize various workshops under the overarching title of "Advanced Workshops."
- **R.** Ad Hoc Education Committee: Maggie Fusari has begun to work on ideas to form a formal Education Committee, which she will report on at the June Board meeting. We will call this new committee the "Education and Outreach Committee." Several members of SNEI have offered their support for this new committee.
- **S. Prospective Board Member, Halle Kohn**: Halle Kohn, who was in attendance, was introduced to the group by Bruce Palmer. She has submitted a letter of intent and her curriculum vitae was recently distributed by Michael Tuma. Her background is in social sciences, receiving her M.A. from Humboldt University in several weeks. As a new Board member, she would likely work on social media issues, questionnaires, etc. **Motion made (Joe Probst), seconded (Kristin Berry), and approved to have Halle Kohn join the Board as a Member At Large.**

T. Wayside Items to be Revived:

- **1. Operations Manual**: This is the document that identifies responsibilities of various officers and other functions of the Council; the latest draft is a few years old. Bruce Palmer will resume revising the Operations Manual to include the latest Bylaws amendments, revised policies, and other updated information.
- 2. Retreat: It has been four years since we formulated our five-year plan. We plan to have a retreat in spring of 2019 to assess successes and failures. Ken MacDonald will talk to the past facilitators to begin planning for this retreat. We also want to have a separate fiduciary workshop for Board members. Kristin Berry will see if Jeff Ogata, who presented this training in the 1990s, is still active. Ken MacDonald will research existing webinars on fiduciary responsibilities for nonprofit groups.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson, Michael Tuma, at 16:45 hours.

Draft minutes were recorded, later distributed, and modified with Board member review and input, then respectfully submitted as this final version by Ed LaRue, Recording Secretary.

Edward L. LaRue, Jr.

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Desert Tortoise Council, Recording Secretary

Ecosystems Advisory Committee Report DTC Board Meeting of 7 April 2018

Note: The table attached to this report on the last page follows the **bold red** numbered outline given below.

1. Nevada Test and Training Range Land Withdrawal Draft Legislative EIS Public Review

12/7/2017 – Ed LaRue receives notice for the above project on 12/7/2017, which he distributes to the other Board members on 12/15/2017. Comments are due on 3/8/2018. Distribute draft comment letter on 2/25/2018. With five endorsements, this letter was emailed on 3/7/2018.

2. PG&E Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) and Environmental Assessment (EA)

12/21/2017 – On 12/21/2017, Ed LaRue receives a notice from Defenders of Wildlife that this HCP and EA for PG&E activities are available and comments are due by 1/19/2017. On 12/23/2017, Ed distributes the link to these documents to the Board, stating that he will not be able to comment given his work with PG&E. During the 1/6/2018 Board meeting, Larry LaPre agrees to take the lead on drafting this letter. With four endorsements and three recusals, Larry sends the letter on 1/19/2018.

3. Paradise Valley Specific Plan

1/2/2018 – On 1/2/2018, Becky Jones forwards a notice for this project to Ed LaRue, which he immediately distributes to the Board. On 1/11/18, member Al Muth provides links and previous comment letters. This notice indicates that the comment period has been extended from 2/15/2018 to 3/19/2018. Send out more background information on 2/4/2018. Draft letter distributed to the Board and Al Muth on 3/9/2018. Formal, endorsed comment letter was emailed to Riverside County on 3/16/2018.

4. West-wide Energy Corridor

1/10/2018 – On this date, Ed LaRue receives an announcement that there will be a webinar on 1/24/2018 and that comments are due by 2/25/2018. On 1/12/2018 Ed forwards the link to the webinar and a copy of the comment letter the Council submitted in October 2016. Ed participates in the webinar on 1/24/2018, which is for non-tortoise phases. March 2018 is tentative release date for documents affecting tortoises.

5a. BLM OHV Grants Program – Endorsing DTPC Grant Request

1/15/2018 – On this date, Michael Tuma sends a BLM public notice on this process to Ed LaRue. On 1/17/2018, Ed LaRue sends an email to Steve Razo and Larry LaPré to get a better idea of what this is before committing to one of the upcoming public meetings. Larry responds on 1/17/2018 that there is probably no need to attend the public meetings but it would be good to write a letter of endorsement supporting DTPC. Ed sends an email to Jillian Estrada of DTPC on 2/4/2018 asking for information. On 2/7/2018, Ed attends BLM open house in Ridgecrest, which was a good idea (Ed Waldheim of California Off Road Vehicle Association – CORVA – was there). Minutes were distributed on 2/8/2018. On 2/15/2018, Ed receives and distributes the OHV grants power point presentation provided by Dana Stephenson of the BLM Ridgecrest office. On 3/7/2018, Jeff Aardahl with Defenders of Wildlife sends BLM's OHV grants link, which solicits public input, and which Ed distributes on the same date. At Judy Hohman's request, Ed asks State Parks for grants information via email on 3/14/2018. On 3/15/2018, send this information to Judy, review her draft letter, and provide that back to her. Circulate Judy's comment letter on 3/18/2018.

5b. BLM OHV Grants Program- Tortoise Protection During Expenditure of Grant Funds

On 3/29/2018, Ed receives a letter asking the Council to co-author it. This letter pertains to how tortoises should be protected while grant monies are being spent. On 3/30/2018, Ed distributes the draft letter to the Board, which is shown as item 5b in the table.

6. Sign-on Letter with CBD Regarding Pesticides

1/16/2018 – On this date, Ed LaRue receives a letter from Center for Biological Diversity (CBD) asking the Council to sign on to a letter referenced by CBD as, "Oppose efforts to gut safeguards protecting imperiled species from pesticides." Ed distributes the letter to the Council Board on the same date. With five endorsements, on 1/17/2018 Ed lets CBD know they can add the Council to the list of cosigners.

7. Agua Caliente Land Exchange

1/25/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a notice from a member that the formal protest period for this land exchange ends on 3/12/2018. Ed distributes an email to the Board indicating that, since we did not provide comments on the December 2014 Draft EIS, which we never received, there is no opportunity to provide a formal protest.

8. BLM Changes to the Desert Renewable Conservation Plan (DRECP)

2/1/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a notice that BLM is considering changes to the DRECP to facilitate increased renewable energy development throughout the desert. There is a 45 day comment period ending on 3/19/2018. On 2/4/2018, Ed sends an email to the Sacramento BLM contact asking that the Council be identified as an Affected Interest and that he provide any documents to be reviewed. On 2/7/2018, Ed sends out the link for public meetings and a talking points paper prepared by Tom Egan of Defenders of Wildlife. On 2/28/2018, Ed sends partial draft comment letter asking for comments/endorsements no later than 3/16/2018. Second revised draft is circulated on 3/12/2018.

9. Lower Centennial Complex Environmental Assessment (EA) for Cattle Grazing

2/4/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a notice that scoping comments are being solicited for the above-referenced EA and that comments are due by 2/15/2018. Ed drafts a comment letter and distributes it to the Board on 2/5/2018. With five endorsements, the final letter is sent out on 2/13/2018.

10. California-Nevada (CalNev) Pipeline Dig Environmental Assessment (EA)

2/4/2018 – Ed LaRue received a notice with a link to the EA for the CalNev Pipeline dig at two sites of Afton Road in California. On 2/7/2018, Ed distributes the draft comment letter, which is due to the Barstow BLM office on 2/12/2018.

11. Ray Land Exchange Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS)

2/4/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a link for this land exchange in Arizona, the SEIS of which resulted from a Center for Biological Diversity (CBD) lawsuit a few years ago. It is a rather complicated issue, so Ed sends an email to Ileene Anderson and Joe Trudeau of CBD to see if there is anyway the Council can help. On 2/12/2018, Joe Trudeau indicates he is unable to open the BLM link and does not appear to know about the project, so there is no more follow-up.

12. Lima Nevada Gypsum Quarry EA

2/4/2018 – Ed LaRue receives notice of the EA on 2/4/2018 and distributes the draft comment letter on 2/9/2018.

13. Lower Colorado River Travel Management Plan (LCR TMP)

2/2/2018 – Ed LaRue receives notice of a series of public meetings for the LCR TMP. On 2/13/2018, Ed attends the BLM open house in Blythe, takes notes, and distributes them to Board members and several environmental groups that same day. On 2/15/2018, Ed participates in a conference call with other environmental groups, takes minutes, and distributes those to the callers and Board that day. The draft letter is circulated to the Board on 2/25/2018. Although the deadline has been extended, there are seven endorsements as of 3/7/2018, which is when comments are submitted.

14. Southern Nevada District Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement

2/7/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a notice that the comment period for this extensive RMP/EIS has been extended to 23 March 2018. Ed distributes the notice to other Board members on 2/15/2018.

15. Golden Vertex Corp's EA for Moss Mine ROW Grant for Access

2/7/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a notice and a link for scoping comments for this project on 2/7/2018, which he distributes to the Board on 2/15/2018. The draft comment letter is distributed to the Board on 2/15/2018 with a deadline for revisions and endorsements on 2/23/2018. With six endorsements and positive input, the final letter is emailed on 2/22/2018.

16. CBD sign on request from Mark Ruffalo to end CA's dirty oil drilling

2/20/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a request from Stephanie Kurose of Center for Biological Diversity asking the Council to sign-on to a letter opposing "dirty drilling," which does not appear to be in tortoise habitats. With only three NO votes and a deadline of 2/23/2018 (we are all in Las Vegas for the Symposium), I inform Stephanie on 2/22/2018 that we will not be endorsing the letter.

17. Ask Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District to not sign letter of intent for Cadiz Pipeline 3/13/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a request from David Lamfrom of National Parks Conservation Association to ask Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District to not sign a letter of intent with the Cadiz Water Company that would support the Cadiz Pipeline. Rather than sign the politically slanted form letter, Ed drafts one directed to tortoises and distributes it to the Board on 3/13/2018. After sufficient endorsement. Ed sends the final letter to David Lamfrom to deliver to the water district on 3/18/2018.

18. Crimson Solar Project

3/8/2018 – Ed LaRue receives notice for this project, with comments due on 4/9/2018.

19. Draft Supplemental Environmental Analysis for the West Mojave Route Network Project

3/16/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a link for this effort on 3/16/2018, which he announces to the Board on 3/18/2018 and comments due on 6/13/2018.

20. Crescent Peak Wind Energy Project in Clark County, Nevada

3/15/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a link for this effort on 3/15/2018, which he announces to the Board on 3/18/2018 and comments due on 6/13/2018.

21. Ash Hill Communications Site

3/13/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a notice of this project from an unidentified member. The draft letter was distributed to the Board on 3/25/2018 with a 3/29/2018 deadline.

22. Halloran Springs Communications Site

3/30/2018 – Ed LaRue receives a notice of this project from an unidentified member. The deadline for comment is 4/30/2018.

Ecosystems Advisory Committee Summary Table from 1/7/2018 to 4/7/2018

Current date for this latest table revision is: 4/7/2018

			Dates	(2018)		Board Member Responses Codes: Y = Vote of Yes; N = Vote of No; PI = Provided input; Blank = No Response; R = Recused; A = Authors/Lead Board member; NA - Replied they were not able to respond by indicated date														
#	Reference	ence Rec'd Dist Due Sent				BJ	BP	CJ	CN	EL	GD	JH	JP	KB	KM	LL	MF	MQ	MT	PW
1	NV Test Site LEIS	12/7/17	12/15	3/8	3/7	Y 2/28				PI/Y 2/25			Y 2/26		PI/Y 2/27	PI/Y 3/6				
2	PG&E HCP and EA	12/21	12/23	1/19	1/19	R 1/16	R 1/16			R 1/16					Y 1/17	A/Y 1/16	Y 1/17	Y 1/17		
3	Paradise Valley Specific Plan	1/2	1/2	3/19	3/16	R 3/13				A/Y 3/9		PI/Y 3/12	Y 3/11		Y 3/12	PI/Y 3/10/12			A/Y 3/12	
4	West-wide Energy Corr.	1/10	1/12	2/25	N/A															
5a	OHV Grants - DTPC	1/15	N/A	4/2	3/27	Y 3/26				A 2/8		A/Y 3/15	Y 3/26	Y 3/27			Y 3/28	Y 3/26		Y 3/26
5 b	OHV Grants – Protection	3/29	3/30	4/2	3/31					PI/Y 3/30		Y 3/31	Y 3/30				Y 3/30			
6	Pesticide letter	1/16	1/16	1/19	1/17					PI/Y 1/17		PI/Y 1/16	Y 1/16			PI/Y 1/16	PI/Y 1/16	Y 1/16		
7	Agua Caliente	1/25	2/4	3/12	N/A															
8	DRECP Changes	2/1	2/4	3/19	3/16	R 3/13				PI/Y 2/28			Y 3/12/14			PI/Y 3/14			PI/Y 3/14	Y 2/28
9	Lower Centennial Complex EA	2/4	2/5	2/15	2/13	Y 2/8				A/Y 2/5			Y 2/6		Y 2/6	PI/Y 2/8				
10	CalNev Dig EA	2/4	2/7	2/12	2/12	R 1/16				A/Y 2/7			Y 2/7		Y 2/8	Y 2/7	PI/Y 2/7	PI/Y 2/7	PI/Y 2/8	PI/Y 2/7
11	AZ Ray Land Exchange	2/4	N/A	2/16	N/A					PI 2/8										
12	Lima Gypsum Quarry	2/4	2/9	2/18	2/15	Y 2/10				A/Y 2/9			Y 2/10		PI/Y 2/10					
13	LCR TMP	2/2	2/13	3/13	3/7	Y 2/28				PI/Y 2/13		PI/Y 2/27	Y 2/26			Y 2/27	Y 2/27			PI/Y 2/26
14	So Nevada RMP/LCR	2/7	2/15	3/23	None	There were no comments submitted due to BLM webpage malfunction and no Board member initiative														
15	Golden Vertex ROW Grant	2/7	2/15	2/26	2/22					A/Y 2/15	PI/Y 2/19		Y 2/16			PI/Y 2/21	PI/Y 2/19			PI/Y 2/19
16	Cosign CBD oil drill letter	2/20	2/20	2/23	2/24					PI/ N 2/20			N 2/21			N 2/21				
17	Cadiz Pipeline	3/13	3/13	3/20	3/18	R 3/13	1 5			A/Y 3/13	Y 3/18	PI/Y 3/14	Y 3/14				Y 3/19	10	PI/Y 3/18	

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18	Crimson Solar Project	3/8	3/13	4/23	@@	R 3/13		A/Y 3/30		Y 3/31				
19	WEMO Route Network	3/16	3/18	6/13	@@									
20	Crescent Peak Wind	3/15	3/18	6/13	@@									
21	Ash Hill Comm. Site	3/13	3/25	3/29	3/27	R 3/27		A/Y 3/25	PI/Y 3/27	Y 3/26		PI/Y 3/28		PI/Y 3/27
22	Halloran Springs Comm	3/30		4/30	@@									

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