



MEETING MINTUES OF THE COMMISSION ON OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES

Date and Time: Tuesday, June 12, 2018, 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Location: This meeting was held in Carson City, NV, 401 South Carson Street, room 1214. The Las Vegas location was 555 East Washington Avenue, room 4406. The public was invited to attend either location.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL OF THE COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Greg McKay - Present
Commissioner Sue Baker - Present
Commissioner Kerry Lee - Present
Commissioner Charlie Cox - absent
Commissioner Kevin Hill - absent
Commissioner Sean Berryman - absent
Commissioner Brian Parks - Present
Commissioner Eddie Booth - Present
Commissioner Michael Gerow -Present

Ex-Officio members present were: USFS Kevin Wilmot, BLM Leo Drumm, DMV Ann Liao, and MV Division of Tourism Devon Blunden.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

A letter from the Recreational Trails Program, NV Division of State Parks was read by the executive secretary outlining the Great Basin Institute Mapping and Education grantees positive performance and recommending full funding of the project by the Commission (Attached to Agenda).

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION*

Motion to approve by Commissioner Gerow, seconded by Commissioner Booth, Motion passed.

5. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF March 15, 2018, MINUTES *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION*

Greg McKay, Chairman. Motion to approve by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Gerow, Motion passed.

6. FINANCIAL UPDATE - *Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR.* Budget update presented to the Commission. There were no comments.

7. UPDATE ON OHV PROGRAM - Grants, Registration Numbers, Mapping, Website and Law Enforcement - *Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR; Laura Schmidt, State Trails Coordinator, Nikhil Narkhede, Field Supervisor, Great Basin Institute Kevin Malone, Humboldt County Sheriff Department.* A thorough presentation of staff work to date was presented.

- Grants in order and moving forward. Several videos by MXT media were shown.

- Logandale toilets and snowmobile education classes complete and grants closed under-budget.
- Silver-State OHV Trail NEPA by BLM in White Pine County expected completion is spring of 2019. Devon Blundon, NV Tourism partnering with County and OHV staff to populate the website.
- Registration numbers failing to rise due to lack of renewals is most significant.
- Law Enforcement strategy to increase registration numbers and renewals was lacking and needed to be a part of enforcement grants.
- A booklet of OHV laws and regulations is needed that can be used by officers and the public.
- DCNR and DMV will be moving forward with technology investment note to update website to mirror DMV portal and make registration and renewal easier. Other updates are expected to include email reminders, change of address online, contact email for non-renewals, and avadavat of nonuse if possible.

8. COMMISSION VOTE TO FUND OHV MAPPING AND PROGRAM SUPPORT GRANT IN FULL (Great Basin Institute) *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* - Presentation of progress by Great Basin Institute: The Commission voted to fund the current grant for one year (\$92,881) with the condition that on review of the projects progress after the first quarter, the grant may be amended with the second half of the project costs (an additional \$92,881). – *Jennifer Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR. Laura Schmidt, State Trails Coordinator, Nikhil Narkhede, Field Supervisor, Great Basin Institute.* Motion to approve the second half of the grant to GBI for an additional \$92,881, as voted on in the December, 2017 meeting, was made by Commissioner Booth, seconded by Commissioner Gerow.

- Commissioner Baker felt that invasive weed management was important to DCNR but didn't feel that it was key for this team. Clarification by Scanland ensured the Commission that this was an example of one of the educational handouts for the summits and by the team in the field along with many others.
- Discussion ensued as to how to add the mapping program grant staff permanently into the State OHV Program staff.
- Scanland stated that she agrees wholeheartedly that the Program needs a full time permanent State Trails Manager including GIS.
- Chairman brought back the motion, motion passed.

9. COMMISSION VOTE TO CONFIRM OR DENY TREADLIGHTLY GRANT APPLICATION TO EXTEND PROJECT TO END OF YEAR *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* - *The Commission awarded a 2016 grant to Tread Lightly for a full time Nevada State Coordinator and to create a RIDEON Nevada webpage (\$75,000). The Coordinator left the position without notice to Tread Lightly or the OHV program in January. Treadlightly would like to continue its program and requests that the current grant be extended from November 30th, through December 31, 2018 (\$22,000). This is a presentation by Tread Lightly to describe how they will complete deliverables without a dedicated Nevada Coordinator and future goals with Tread Lightly – Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR; Keith Gordon, Tread Lightly.* Motion was made by Commissioner Booth to deny the amendment to increase the grant by \$22,000. With the request for Treadlightly to re-group with partners and come in with a very firm strategy in a new grant application in November, seconded by Commissioner Gerow, motion passed.

10. FY 2019 GRANT AWARD PRIORITIES *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* - Determining priorities for 2019 grant round to be awarded December, 2018. - *Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR.* Discussion ensued with final motion made by Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Gerow, motion carried.

The following are the 2019 priorities in order of importance.

- 1) Projects that increase registration numbers, include an enforcement strategy, registration events.
- 2) Trail mapping, signing and maintenance of existing trails and facilities
- 3) Public Education rider classes, safety, trail building, outdoor ethics.
- 4) Law Enforcement, SAR no registration component
- 5) Securing Access and mapping that access.
- 6) Economic Integration
- 7) Connectivity/loops
- 8) Planning, environment studies: conservation and NEPA to get trails mapped and signed.
- 9) Leveraging and Partnerships
- 10) New Facilities

11. COMMISSION VOTE TO ACCEPT NRS SURVEY FOR DISTRIBUTION *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* - *Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR and Dominique Etchegoyhen, Deputy Director, DCNR.* Discussion ensued with several recommendations. Scanland requested the Commission to review the survey and send recommendations to her in next two weeks for release scheduled for July 1, 2018. No action needed or taken.

12. NEVADA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 490 REVISION UPDATE: *Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR and Dominique Etchegoyhen, Deputy Director, DCNR.* NAC draft distributed to the Commission with request for review and send comments to Executive Secretary. Public Workshop is not scheduled yet.

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER UPDATES: BLM planning updates. *BLM planning Leo Drumm, BLM. This was moved up on the agenda. Presentation posted online with meeting materials. BLM Resource Management Plans completed: Ely, 2008, Winnemucca 2015, Carson City, September 2018, Southern Nevada 2019. Parts of Elko and Battle Mt. revised through the sage grouse plan and travel is limited to existing routes. There are 110 Transportation areas, all estimated to be completed by 2052. Completed plans include Black Rock High Rock NCA 2004, Sloan Canyon NCA 2006, Duck Creek 2008, South Steptoe 2012, and NE Clark County ACECs including Gold Butte 2008. Transportation Management Plans in progress include Wild Horse in the Elko District and Lone Willow/Santa Rosa in the Winnemucca District. BLM is getting very little funding for this planning and is in need of funding to continue the planning processes. Leo stated that the GIS layers for current travel management plans were either at the state office or the local offices and they would figure out how to get them to Laura (GBI). Jenny Scanland stated that the mapping team and staff are working to get this data, develop the maps and encourage grant applications for signing. OHV Program has current grant for signing and assessment for Gold Butte.*

13. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.
Regular Meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, August 28, 2018 - Greg McKay, Chairman: update on survey, NAC revision and grant projects.

14. PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael McNeil, Mineral County Tourism, submitted a map as an example of a map for OHV that the Mineral County would like to create in partnership with our mapping team and BLM. The goal is to increase economic impact of OHV's in Mineral County.

Robert Adams; MRAN, play-clean-go is implemented, a lot of parameters to be defined. Big concern about Clark counties' end-run around the RMP going on. Pahrump ambassador; Nye county sheriff's website has great post on website clearing up OHV laws. The BLM southern NV RMP is being pushed back to 2019. The current plan allows travel on roads, trails and dry washes. NV website should posted map provided by Pahrump on the tourism page.

15. ADJOURNMENT *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Gerow, seconded by Commissioner Booth, motion passed

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Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 901 S. Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada

Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21st Street, Sparks, Nevada

Nevada Department of Wildlife, 1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada

Capitol Building, 101 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada

Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada

Library and Archives, 100 N. Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada

Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles, 555 Wright Way, Carson City, Nevada

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