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Natural Resource Committee
Wednesday, November 1st, 2023 @ 10:00 am
Board of Supervisors Chambers
2 S. Green Street, 4th Floor, Sonora, CA 95370

AGENDA

1. Call the meeting to order
2. Public forum – The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken by the Committee. The amount of time allocated for the public forum is limited to 15 minutes.
3. Consideration of approving the minutes of the meeting held on October 4th, 2023.
4. Partner agencies updates
5. Committee business
 - A. Staff reports and recommendations
 - a. Update on submitted grant proposals and pertinent upcoming events
 - B. Committee member reports
6. Discussion Items
 - A. Topic recommendations for 2024 committee Strategic Priorities
7. Adjourn
The next regular meeting scheduled for December 6th, 2023.

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Membership Roster

Name	Position	Group
Anaiah Kirk	Chair	County
Kathleen Haff	Vice Chair	County
Jim Phelan	Member	TCRCD
Jim Maddox	Member	F&G PFAC
Dick Gaiser	Member	TC Ag
Chris Trott	Member	At-Large
Delegate	Member	Tuolumne Me-Wuk
Delegate	Member	Chicken Ranch Me-Wuk
Delegate	Member	Hetch Hetchy
Delegate	Member	GCSD
Delegate	Member	TUD
Sean Hembree	CAO Staff	County

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Item 6.A. Attachment

Natural Resource Committee Strategic Priorities (*Proposed*)

- Support our local water utility partners in their effort to modernize and improve water supply and mitigate risk.
- Maintain awareness of pertinent legislation and policy regarding water and natural resources and provide recommendations for advocacy as appropriate.
- Facilitate public land use access and recreation while balancing and mitigating natural resource impacts from overuse/misuse
- Promote forest health and watershed resilience through innovative solutions and capacity building.

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**Natural Resource Committee
Wednesday, October 4, 2023 @ 10:00 am
Board of Supervisors Chambers
2 S. Green St., 4th Floor
Sonora, 95370**

Minutes

1. Call the meeting to order
Vice Chair Haff called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M. and confirmed a quorum was present.
2. Members present: Kathleen Haff, Jim Phelan, Jim Maddox, Chris Trott, Adam Mazurkiewicz (Hetch Hetchy), Dianna Beasley (Tuolumne Me-Wuk), Pete Kampa (GCSD), Ron Ringen (TUD), Sean Hembree (staff)
3. Public Forum – The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action may be taken by the Committee. The amount of time allocated for the public forum is limited to 15 minutes. – None
4. Consideration of approving the minutes of the meeting held on June 7th, 2023.
Jim Maddox made a motion to approve the minutes of June 7th, 2023. Jim Phelan seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously with title change noted.
5. Consideration of Comment letter for the State Urban Water Supply Conservation Regulation (AB) 1668
6. Partner agencies updates
 - a. USFS updates: Ben Cossell gave a report on the status of prescribed burn projects in the Stanislaus Forest noting that there had been approximately 17,000 acres burned this year. He indicated that a new Summit District Ranger and Deputy District Ranger appointments had been made. NEPA scoping for non-motorized trails is underway. It was noted that a locality adjustment from the Forest Service Office of Budget Management was not expected to include allowances for Tuolumne County staffing in the coming year.

- b. CalFire updates: none

7. Committee Business

- a. Staff reports and recommendations
 - i. Sean Hembree gave a report about planned WaterSMART Grant proposal in partnership with UC Merced, Turlock Irrigation District, US Forest Service

8. Committee member reports

- a. Pete Kampa (GCSD): Multiple projects are underway or near completion including: planning for a 100,000 gallon alternative water supply tank to service the Big Oak Flat area – a water filling stations for drought contingency – replacement of backup generators for sewer lift stations – completion of the Hetch Hetchy Railroad Trail (1.8 miles)
- b. Ron Ringen (TUD) EN2 Contractor identified raw water drafting locations for fire suppression.

9. Discussion Items

- a. Topic Recommendations for 2024 Committee priority actions and work plan
 - i. Engagement of NEPA public scoping period
 - ii. Fuel thinning of WUI communities
 - iii. Additional topics will be considered by members and will be brought for discussion at the next meeting

- 10. Adjourned: Vice Chair Haff adjourned the meeting at 11:06 A.M. The next meeting scheduled for Nov 1st, 2023