

Schirtete Zick suggests March 23 or 24 as the first meeting date.

Laurie Carson has conflicts with second and fourth Wednesday of each month due to commission meetings.

Vince Garcia suggests two meetings have field trips.

A suggestion is made to tie into the Eastern Nevada Landscape restoration project which has a meeting the last Saturday in June.

Doug Furtado suggests Battle Mountain Resource Management Plan as possible agenda item. The public scoping effort is concluding and collection of field data.

Ken Miller suggests Pickens Proposal. The BLM is entertaining a number of private landowner proposals. He further suggests Spruce Mountain due to its land use revision and visit on wild horse partnership opportunity.

Doug Furtado suggests 7-mile project, hazardous fuels project west and south of Eureka. The BLM issued a decision a couple of years ago, it was appealed, the BLM prevailed. The project was again appealed in Federal Court in Idaho and returned to Nevada. Another suit is expected.

Jeff White suggests to rotate meetings around: Ely, Elko, Battle Mountain, Eureka. Typically, Eureka meetings are heavily attended by public.

Tom Connolly expresses interest in ranch owned by Ms. Pickens.

Cyd McMullen states there was a meeting in Wells and Spruce Mountain was discussed and toured.

Tom Connolly suggests Grass Valley geo thermal.

Bill Wolf states ENLC is not going to have yearly meeting this year.

John Winnepenninkx suggests 7-mile herd management area, Fish Creek HMA.

Doug Furtado suggests a field trip June 15-16 to Spruce Mountain as it is more timely and more urgent. 7-mile will not work during bird migratory season.

Meeting dates and agenda items are suspended for Battle Mountain Resource Management Plan presentation.

Holly Prohaska of EMPS provided a presentation on the Battle Mountain RMP revision.

RMP was posted in December, scoping period ends Feb. 11. Scoping meeting last night had 34 people. Next scoping meetings are planned in Battle Mountain, Eureka, Austin, following week Tonopah, and Dyer.

Discussion on RMP and public comments and RAC involvement.

There was discussion on creating a RAC sub group for the Battle Mountain RMP.

Primary: Tom Connolly (Grazing) alt. Jacob Carter, Vince Garcia (Cultural) alt. Cyd McMullen, Jack Prier (Environmental) alt. Larry Hyslop, Jeff White (Minerals) alt. Tony Carone , John Winnepenninkx (Wild horse) alt. Barry Perryman, Bill Wolf (Rec/Fire) alt. Martin Burdick.

Recreation RAC Volunteers

Currently Tony Carone and Larry Hyslop are on the RecRAC. Laurie Carson and Jack Prier volunteer.

Discussion on meeting dates and agendas continues:

Potential Topics

BM RMP, OHV Travel Management, Greater Sage Grouse, Energy Projects, recreation, grazing/ coop. monitoring agreements riparian management, minerals (NEPA efficiency), Landscape scale restoration, Native American consultation, wild horses/Pickens proposal, wild lands designation, Great Basin Landscape Conservation Cooperative, noxious weeds (Cheatgrass), Rec Trails, Silver State Trail.

Discussion on Great Basin Landscape Conservation Cooperative. Suggested Representative from GBLCC to address the RAC.

Prioritization:

2011 BM RMP (sub groups and RAC involvement)

Wild Horse Issue

RMP, Minerals, Riparian/grazing

Final List

BM RMP

Wild horse/Pickens proposal

Riparian/grazing management

Minerals energy, ongoing activity

Landscape restoration

Recreation – trails, travel plans

Final Meeting Dates and Agenda Items

March 24 – Ely: SNPLMA, wildland designation, minerals/energy

June 15 and 16 – Elko: Spruce Mountain/Pickens Proposal, Wild horses, Recreation

Aug 18 and 19 – Battle Mountain: 7-mile retreat, Landscape – Scale Restoration, Riparian/grazing management

MOSO would like to join on Pickens proposal review and field trip. Meeting of WH&B sub group with field trip.