



## OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE (OHV) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 24, 2019 • 4:00pm to 6:00pm

### MEETING LOCATION

1<sup>st</sup> Floor, ODC Pueblo Room  
Clark County Government Center  
500 S. Grand Central Parkway Las Vegas, NV 89155

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#### 1. Call to Order

Ms. Debbie Burgos, Chair, called the meeting of the Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Advisory Committee to order at 4:00pm. A quorum was established, the following were present:

PRESENT:      Debbie Burgos, *Chair*      Charles Law, *Vice Chair*  
                    Dave DesMarais              Ken Freeman              Michael Frye  
                    Steve Paxton                      Kenny Thatcher              Ross Williams

LEGAL COUNSEL: Catherine Jorgenson, Deputy District Attorney

DAQ STAFF:      Jodi Bechtel, Assistant Director of Air Quality  
                         Kimberley Jenkins, Principal Environmental Specialist  
                         Brianna Holland, Administrative Specialist

#### 2. Public Comment

Mrs. Burgos asked if there were any persons present in the audience wishing to be heard.

- Robert (Bob) Adams, Legislative Officer of Motorcycle Racing Association of Nevada (MRAN), expressed his displeasure in regards to the agenda being posted without supporting materials. Mr. Adams said that without supporting documentation the agenda is incomplete and deprives citizens of the ability to take part in their government. Mr. Adams reiterated his stance on public land use and availability.

Mrs. Burgos closed the public comment section.

#### 3. Approve Meeting Minutes from March 27, 2019 (For Possibly Action)

Ms. Jorgenson reminded the Committee that there was a discussion and reconsideration for Item 5 on the previous agenda, instead of a motion. Ms. Jorgenson recommended that the Committee change the term "motioned" to "discussed" for Item 5 of the Meeting Minutes.

Ms. Jorgenson also recommended that Item 6 should state "no action taken", instead of "no action needed".

The Committee motioned for the Meeting Minutes from March 27, 2019 to be approved, with the corrections mentioned above.

#### **4. Update the Committee on the BCC Resolution Agenda Item (For Possible Action)**

Ms. Jenkins gave a presentation to the Committee with updates from the BCC meeting held on April 16, 2019. The Committee has recommended designating areas in the vicinity of Logandale Trails, Nelson Hills, Sandy Valley, and Laughlin for the preservation of OHV recreation in southern Nevada. The combined estimated acreage of these areas would designate approximately 122,787 acres for the protection of OHV recreational opportunities. Ms. Bechtel reiterated to the Committee that the County will be moving forward with the current resolution(s) along with the changes adopted by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) in order to preserve OHV recreation areas. The BCC have approved the inclusion of these areas in a future federal lands bill with the following modifications:

- Remove lands designated as Keyhole Canyon ACEC from the proposed Nelson Hills OHV Recreation Area
- Remove lands with wilderness characteristics/proposed Eldorado Wilderness from the proposed Nelson Hills OHV Recreation Area Boundary
- Remove the proposed Hiko Wash ACEC from the proposed Laughlin OHV Recreation Area
- Remove the proposed Granite Springs ACEC from the proposed Laughlin OHV Recreation Area
- Move the Sandy Valley Goodsprings boundary approximately 1 mile to the south away from the community of Goodsprings

Mrs. Burgos asked if Ms. Jenkins could email the revised maps and the presentation to the Committee.

#### **5. Discuss and Authorize Recommending that the BCC Adopt a Resolution for Race Courses (For Possible Action)**

Mr. Frye provided the Committee with a map of the Jean Trail System; this map is outlined with possible reroutes or areas up for deletion that would not be compatible with the County's proposed lands bill.

Mr. Thatcher suggested possibly extending an invitation to the USFWS to attend an upcoming meeting and discuss possible concerns the USFWS may have with the Jean Trail System; Ms. Jenkins agreed and said she would extend an invitation to USFWS staff to attend one of the upcoming meetings.

#### **6. Discuss and Authorize Adding Primm as an OHV Recreation Area to the Tracking List (For Possible Action)**

Mr. Freeman made a motion to the Committee to add Primm as an OHV Recreation Area to the Tracking List, motion was passed.

#### **7. Update the Committee on Completed Tracking List Items (For Possible Action)**

No action taken.

#### **8. Identify Emerging Issues to be Addressed at Future Meetings**

Mr. Frye distributed 7 maps to the Committee depicting new (possible) OHV recreation areas in Indian Springs, Glendale, Overton, Moapa, Bunkerville, and 2 areas within Stump Springs. Mr. Frye asked that these areas be added onto the next agenda in order for the Committee to vote on whether or not these areas should be made as items on the Tracking List.

#### **9. Public Comment**

Ms. Burgos asked if there were any persons present in the audience wishing to be heard.

- Steve Fleming, a resident who lives in Goodsprings, mentioned that an OHV recreation area within one mile of his residence is too close. Mr. Fleming also suggested that the Committee

create an OHV development area within Clark County that would generate revenue and public interest.

- Robert (Bob) Adams, Legislative Officer of Motorcycle Racing Association of Nevada (MRAN), suggested the Committee review BLM's E-Planning Webpage that provides information on OHV plans and statistics. Mr. Adams also made the statement that a lot more information should be posted on the Committee's Webpage.

## **10. Adjourn**