Minutes of the Antelope Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee Thursday March 7, 2019. 6:30 pm Antelope Valley Community Center

Members attending: Katy Buell, Mike Curti, Patti Hamic-Christensen, Debbi Harrison, Mark Langner, Dan Morris, John Vannoy, Bruce Woodworth, Eric Edgerton, Debie Bush.

Agency and other representatives: Gerry Le Francois/Hailey Lang/Garrett Higerd/John Peters, Mono County; John Irvine/Chad Nedeau/Doug Power, MWTC; Lori Morris, Liberty Utilities; Jan Cutts. USFS

Public Attendance: 2

Approval of 2-7-19 minutes. Motion (Hamic-Christensen/Morris) approved 7/0/3.

Public comments: None.

PRAC member comments: There will be a CERT benefit dinner on 3-16 in Walker. Le Francois will check on the status of getting an additional public dumpster to handle an increase in tourist related trash. Fire Chief Curti discussed grants the fire department is pursuing, the establishment of a fire safe counsel, the burning of piles at Mountain Gate Park, summer staffing levels, the new water tender truck, defensible space coupons, and the medics/so/chp establishing offices at the fire station once it is enlarged.

MWTC update: Power reported that training is in progress and it is a good snow year.

USFS update: Cutts reported the seasonal hiring is completed and that seasonal firefighters will be starting soon. She asked for input on what the RPAC would like to learn when she talks about fire management at a future meeting.

Supervisor's report: Peters reported that there is a new CHP commander. He discussed the new short-term rental policy. He said that BOS meetings can be viewed live online and that they are also archived at the website. He talked about the Fales/Little Walker road project scheduled for this summer.

Walker Military Operations Area Airspace Establishment Environmental Assessment: John Irvine and Chad Nedeau from the MWTC discussed the desire of the base to secure special airspace designation to increase the safety of air operations and training. They distributed a handout and answered questions.

Update on public works road projects: Garrett Higerd discussed local roadwork scheduled for this year. He said that there will be improvements made to Eastside Lane from Offal to Cunningham Lane, on Hackney Drive and in the parking lot around the senior center (if parking can be secured). He said funding is from the SB1 gas tax and that work should start in late summer or early fall. Bike lanes were discussed, Higerd said there is no money for bike lanes.

Update on potential solar farm sites: Lori Morris (Liberty Utilities) said that they are still scouting for suitable sites. She said that they are now looking at sites up to 40 acres.

Submitted by Mark Langner