



# AGENDA

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Regular Meetings: First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified below.  
Meeting Location: Board Chambers, 2nd Fl., County Courthouse, 278 Main St., Bridgeport, CA 93517

### Regular Meeting September 14, 2021

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9:00 AM Call meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

**1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

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**2. RECOGNITIONS - NONE**

**3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE**

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments  
Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding work activities.

**4. DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS**

Receive brief oral report on emerging issues and/or activities.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

**A. Reappointment to First 5 Mono County Children and Families Commission**

Departments: First 5, sponsored by Supervisor Gardner

Request for Board of Supervisors to reappoint Dr. Kristin Collins to the First 5 Mono County Children and Families Commission.

**Recommended Action:** Re-Appoint Dr. Kristin Collins to the Mono County Children and Families Commission to serve a subsequent three-year term commencing September 12, 2021 and expiring September 13, 2024.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**B. Monthly Treasury Transaction Report**

Departments: Finance

Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 7/31/2021.

**Recommended Action:** Approve the Treasury Transaction Report for the month ending 7/31/2021.

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**C. Ordinance Amending Mono County Code Section 3.04.030 Pertaining to Purchases Made by Department Heads**

Departments: County Counsel; CAO; Finance

Proposed ordinance amending section 3.04.030 of the Mono County Code to authorize assistant purchasing agents (i.e., department heads) to purchase services, supplies and equipment in amounts not to exceed \$25,000 per purchase.

**Recommended Action:** Adopt proposed ordinance.

**Fiscal Impact:** No fiscal impact associated with the adoption of this ordinance. Once adopted, we anticipate this ordinance is likely to lower the staff costs associated with individual procurements of not more than \$25,000.

**D. Memorandum of Understanding Between Mono County and the Bureau of Land Management for Recreation Support Activities**

Departments: Public Works

Proposed MOU between Mono County and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), relating to joint Sustainable Recreation efforts on BLM lands.

**Recommended Action:** Approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Mono County and the Bureau of Land Management and authorize the CAO to execute said MOU on behalf of the County. Additionally, provide authorization for the Public Works Director to approve minor amendments and/or revisions to the MOU that do not substantively modify its terms, with approval as to form by County Counsel.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

**A. Letter from Simpson Family and Employees of Bridgeport Shell Station Recognizing County Employee Donald Starks**

A letter from the Simpson family and employees of Bridgeport Shell Station recognizing and thanking County employee, Donald Starks, for his quick action to extinguish a fire at the Station.

**B. Request for Party Status and Opening Comments of the County of Mono to California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Order Instituting Rulemaking 20-09-001**

Request for Party Status and Opening Comments of the County of Mono to

California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Order Instituting Rulemaking 20-09-001 Regarding Broadband Infrastructure Deployment and to Support Service Providers in the State of California.

**Recommended Action:** The request for party status and comments were submitted pursuant to the County's Legislative Platform and Resolution R21-17 ("Resolution Providing Direction for the Use and Implementation of the County's Legislative Platform"), and are provided here for full Board review.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

7. **REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING**

**A. Introduction of Waste Connections' Sustainability Coordinator Kendra Knight**

Departments: Board of Supervisors, sponsored by Supervisor Corless  
10 minutes

(Kendra Knight, Waste Connections-Mammoth Disposal Sustainability Coordinator) - Introduction of Waste Connections-Mammoth Disposal Sustainability Coordinator Kendra Knight.

**Recommended Action:** None, informational only.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**B. Eastern Sierra Climate and Communities Resilience Project Update**

Departments: Board of Supervisors, sponsored by Supervisors Corless and Gardner  
25 minutes

(Janet Hatfield, Eastern Sierra Project Manager) - Presentation by Janet Hatfield of Plumas Corporation on the Eastern Sierra Climate and Communities Resilience Project.

**Recommended Action:** None, informational only.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**C. 30-day Review of Campfire Ordinance Prohibiting Open Fires on Private Property and County-Operated Campgrounds in Unincorporated Mono County**

Departments: CAO  
10 minutes

The Board has requested that the Ordinance prohibiting open fires on private property and County-operated campgrounds within unincorporated Mono County (Ord. 21-08), adopted as an urgency measure on August 17th, be reviewed every thirty days for consideration of continuing need.

**Recommended Action:** Review Ord. 21-08 and determine whether there is a continuing need to prohibit open fires on private property and in County-operated campgrounds. Provide desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** None at this time.

**D. PUBLIC HEARING: Community Development Block Grant**

Departments: Finance

Public Hearing: 10:00 AM (20 minutes)

(Megan Mahaffey, Accountant III, Molly DesBaillets, First 5 Executive Director) - The 2017 CDBG award funded a child care program in partnership with Mono County First 5 and Eastern Sierra Unified School District. This award was able to fund a Child Care program in Bridgeport and Benton for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school year as well as Bridgeport in 2020-2021.

**Recommended Action:** Conduct a public hearing to provide a platform for the public to weigh in on performance of the 2017 CDBG award for Child Care.

**Fiscal Impact:** The CDBG 2017 award allowed Mono County to put \$500,000 toward providing child care in Bridgeport and Benton over the course of three years.

**E. COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update**

Departments: CAO, Public Health

30 minutes

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO, Bryan Wheeler, Public Health Director) - Update on Countywide response and planning related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Recommended Action:** None, informational only.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**F. Mountain View Fire Update and Review of Emergency Declarations**

Departments: Mountain View Fire Emergency Operations Center

10 minutes

(Justin Nalder, EOC Director) - Review of continuing need for Board of Supervisor's November 17, 2020, Declaration of Local Emergency of and Mono County Health Officer's November 19, 2020, Declaration of Local Health Emergency for the Mountain View Fire.

**Recommended Action:** Hear report from Incident Command and involved staff regarding status of Mountain View Fire response and recovery efforts.

Find that there is a need to continue the local state of emergency declared on

November 17, 2020 and/or the local health emergency declared on November 19, 2020 (ratified by the Board on November 24, 2020).

**Fiscal Impact:** Continuation of the declared emergencies supports the County's eligibility for state disaster assistance while debris efforts are still underway. Debris removal costs are eligible for reimbursement only when there is an immediate threat to public health and safety.

**G. Amendment to Conway Ranch Grazing Lease to Extend Grazing Season until October 9**

Departments: Public Works

10 minutes

(Justin Nalder, Solid Waste Superintendent) - Proposed amendment to the Conway Ranch Grazing Lease with Hunewill Land and Cattle Company, Inc. pertaining to grazing of cattle on Conway Ranch, extending the grazing season for the 2021 calendar year from September 15 until October 9.

**Recommended Action:**

- 1) Find that the County's entry into an amended lease agreement for the extension of seasonal grazing of cattle on Conway Ranch in the Mono Basin from September 15 to October 9, related land and water uses, and the minor construction/reconstruction of fences, is categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1: Existing Facilities).
- 2) Approve County entry into Agreement and First Amendment to Conway Ranch Grazing Lease to extend the 2021 grazing season until October 9. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** Up to \$620 of additional rental revenue to the County's general fund for adding an additional month to the grazing season of the 2021 lease. The rental rate provided in the lease is \$5.00 per animal unit month.

**H. Resolution Making PERS Findings to Hire Retired Annuitant Rebecca Buccowich**

Departments: Finance, Human Resources

10 minutes

(Janet Dutcher, Finance Director; Ryan Roe, Acting Human Resources Director) - Proposed Resolution Providing Necessary Certifications for Exception to 180-Day Wait Period Under Government Code Sections 7522.56 & 21224 for Limited Term, Part-Time Employment of PERS Retiree Rebecca Buccowich as a Fiscal Technical Specialist IV in the Finance Department.

**Recommended Action:** Adopt proposed resolution. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** Salary and employment taxes estimated at \$16,000. Salary savings within the Department of Finance budget will cover the additional hours and costs (\$31.16/hr X 500 hours + employment taxes).

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**9. CLOSED SESSION**

**A. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations**

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Bob Lawton, Stacey Simon, Janet Dutcher, and Anne Frievalt. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39 - majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Public Safety Officers Association (PSO). Unrepresented employees: All.

**B. Closed Session - Initiation of Litigation**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: one.

**THE AFTERNOON SESSION WILL RECONVENE NO EARLIER THAN 1:00 P.M.**

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**11. REGULAR AGENDA - AFTERNOON**

**A. PUBLIC HEARING: 2021 Redistricting Communities of Interest**

Departments: CAO, Board of Supervisors  
Public Hearing: 1:00 PM

(Robert C. Lawton, CAO) - Focused work on collecting input on Communities of Interest. A Community of Interest is a population that shares common social or economic interests, including formally recognized communities or neighborhoods or portions of a community, that should be included within a single supervisorial

district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates. Where possible, it is generally desirable to keep these geographic areas grouped together so that they may be represented by the same supervisor.

The work done in this meeting will be to capture the general boundaries of these geographies on a map so that they may be reviewed and used by individuals proposing supervisor districts in future steps of the process.

**Recommended Action:** Conduct public hearing. Provide any desired direction to staff.

**Fiscal Impact:** None.

**12. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

The Board may, if time permits, take Board Reports at any time during the meeting and not at a specific time.

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