

**TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT**  
**Carson Lake Pasture Advisory Committee**  
 Minutes of the Regular Session Committee Meeting  
**January 29, 2024**

The Carson Lake Pasture Advisory Committee, in the counties of Churchill and Lyon, State of Nevada, met in regular session at the offices of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada, on **Monday, January 29, 2024** at 1:30 p.m.

The following Committee members were present constituting a quorum:

Present:	Lester deBraga Joseph Gomes Mike Zahradka Don Snodgrass Gibb Mackedon Wes Washburn Kenny Lee	Committee Chairman Committee Member Nevada Department of Wildlife (Zoom) Greenhead Hunting Club, Inc. Greenhead Hunting Club, Inc. Carson Lake Pasture Stockmen Carson Lake Pasture Stockmen
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Others Present:	Ben Shawcroft Helen-Marie Morrow Kelly Herwick Ariel Tomb	General Manager Finance Manager District Water Master Assistant Secretary to the Board
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In-Person Guests	Representing
Flint Lee	Grazer
Jerilynn Guazzini	Grazer
Walter Winder	Grazer
Bruce Corkill	Grazer
Trevor deBraga	Grazer
Holt Bogdanowicz	Pasture Manager

Teleconference Guests	Representing
Jacob Ward	Nevada Department of Wildlife

The following agenda items are not necessarily in the order they were heard or decided but in the order as appearing on the agenda.

1. **Call to Order**  
The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman deBraga at 1:30 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Helen-Marie Morrow.
3. **Review and Adoption of the Agenda**

**A motion was made by Committee Member Gomes to approve the agenda, seconded by Committee Member Snodgrass, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.**

**4. Public Comment**

Committee Member Lee asked what could be done to repair the L12 lateral so that the Pasture can be irrigated this year. The question was postponed until Construction & Maintenance Manager Biggs could be present to discuss the matter.

**5. Carson Lake Pasture Operations Review for the 2023 Grazing Season and Development of Recommendations Including New Regulations Governing Carson Lake Pasture Operations for the 2024 Grazing Season**

*Deliberation and decision, upon review of Carson Lake Pasture Operations, to be conducted by the Carson Lake Pasture Committee, for operations performed by the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District during the 2023 grazing season, under Agreement with the State of Nevada, through the Nevada Division of Wildlife, for development of recommendations for new or revised Pasture regulations and/or new or revised Pasture policies governing Pasture operations for the 2024 grazing season and recommendation of the animal unit monthly rate for fees and insect control. The Committee may also review the terms and conditions of the Agreement had by the District with the State of Nevada for management of Pasture lands, and the Agreement had by the District with the Pasture Manager responsible for Pasture grazing oversight, and may upon review of all such matters provide recommendations to the Board for changes or modifications to such agreements. Any such recommendations relating to new or revised regulations, policies, or agreement modifications are subject to final approval by the Board of Directors at a subsequent meeting thereof.*

The Committee received a report from Pasture Manager Bogdanowicz; he hasn't been able to fully enter the Pasture yet as his set of keys is pending, but from what he has seen the heifer pasture looks pretty good. Discussion followed regarding the water levels in the Pasture and feed conditions. The consensus was that the Pasture could likely support the same numbers as last year, maybe slightly more.

Mike Zahradka, NDOW, confirmed that their AUM rate would be staying at \$13.37 this season. Helen-Marie Morrow, Finance Manager, reported that last season the District incurred expenses above a normal year due to the reduced numbers and the cost of running the pump. The recommended AUM rate for the District to cover projected expenses this year would be \$9.20, in order to make up the deficit from last season it would need to be \$11.25.

Discussion followed regarding changes to numbers and how that affects the AUM rate. The Committee consensus was to go in between the two options and recommend a rate of \$10.20.

**A motion was made by Committee Member Gomes to recommend setting the District AUM rate at \$10.20 to the Board, seconded by Committee Member Snodgrass, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.**

NOTE: It was determined that the first \$7,500.00 in pump costs were agreed to be paid by TCID (See June 2023 Board meeting minutes). The rate was re-evaluated without the pump costs and adjusted to \$8.20 for the 2024 grazing season (See the February 2024 Board meeting minutes).

6. **Consent Agenda**

- Approval of Carson Lake Pasture Committee Meeting Minutes from December 18, 2023 conducted at the District office, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon Nevada.

**A motion was made by Committee Member Gomes to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Committee Member Washburn, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.**

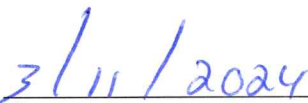
7. **Additional Public Comment**

Committee Member Snodgrass commented that the State is putting in a new gate at the heifer field corrals and making improvements to the ditch bank. There is a 150 yd section of fencing near the Big Dig and the Jensen property that needs to be replaced. There is a sand drift that has accumulated there and the cattle can walk directly over the fence. Jake Ward, Wildlife Technician, will check their spare supplies and see if there are any fencing materials the District might be able to use.

8. **Adjournment**

**The meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the Committee Chairman at 2:15 p.m.**

  
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Lester deBraga, Committee Chairman

  
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