# TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## **Carson Lake Pasture Advisory Committee**

Minutes of the Regular Session Committee Meeting May 16, 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 Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

The following Committee members were present constituting a quorum:

Present:

Lester deBraga

Committee Chairman

Joseph Gomes

Committee Member

Isaac Metcalf

Nevada Department of Wildlife (Zoom)

Don Snodgrass Wes Washburn Greenhead Hunting Club, Inc.

Kenny Lee

Carson Lake Pasture Stockmen

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Absent:

Gibb Mackedon

Greenhead Hunting Club, Inc.

Others Present:

Ben Shawcroft

General Manager

Helen-Marie Morrow

Finance Manager

**Ariel Tomb** 

Assistant Secretary to the Board

In-Person Guests	Representing
Ted Guazzini	Self
Aaron Williams	Self
Trevor deBraga	Self
Bruce Corkill	Self
Jerilynn Guazzini	Self
Holt Bogdanowicz	Pasture Manager

Teleconference Guests	Representing
None present	

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 10:01 a.m.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Holt Bogdanowicz.

#### Review and Adoption of the Agenda 3.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Committee Member Gomes to approve the agenda, seconded by Committee Member Washburn, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

### 4. Public Comment

No public comment.

### 5. Carson Lake Pasture Unused Capacity and Additional AUMs

Discussion and action regarding the distribution of unused pasture capacity and approval of additional AUMs by one user.

Chairman deBraga opened the discussion; there are 781 head in the Pasture, there should only be 752. Shawcroft commented that the Board approved 792 head.

There was an application that was approved that went over the permitted amount; Sam Guazzini took too many cattle into the Pasture. Shawcroft advised that the Committee has the authority to instruct him to remove the excess cattle. Jerilynn Guazzini was present to represent Sam; they applied for enough head to fill their water righted acres and paid the invoice for that amount. This amount was greater than their permitted number of 75 cows and 3 bulls.

Walt Winder did not bring his cows this year; this opens 35 head for other grazers to split up.

Morrow will recalculate the numbers to adjust for the 35 spots open from Walt Winder's cattle to show how many additional head each grazer will be allowed.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Committee Member Snodgrass to remove Sam Guazzini's extra cattle, seconded by Committee Member Gomes. The motion was amended by Committee Member Snodgrass to include a removal deadline of June 15th, seconded by Committee Member Washburn, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

6. Carson Lake Pasture Development of Recommendations regarding a Policy to Hold Pasture Grazers Harmless for Non-Use during a Low Feed Year

Discussion and action regarding a new policy which holds the pasture users harmless for non-use during a year when feed is low.

Chairman deBraga informed the Committee that the current policy states that if a grazer doesn't bring their full allotment of cattle they need to pay a 120 day fee to hold their permit. If a grazer doesn't bring the full allotment on the second year the permit will be reduced by the amount not entered. Shawcroft has drafted an addition to the policy to protect the grazers during a percentage year; grazers will be not be penalized for bringing less than the full permit in a percentage year. He also added a section protecting the District from liability as we are performing these services for no profit.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Committee Member Gomes to approve the amended Policy as presented, seconded by Committee Member Snodgrass, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

### 7. Consent Agenda

 Approval of Carson Lake Pasture Committee Meeting Minutes from March 7, 2024 conducted at the District office, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon Nevada.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Committee Member Gomes to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Committee Member Snodgrass, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

### 8. Additional Public Comment

Ted Guazzini asked when water might be able to run down the L12 lateral. Chairman deBraga replied that he is aware of the concern and they are working on a solution.

#### 9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the Committee Chairman at 10:43 a.m.