

MEETING MINUTES (TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY)

TRUCKEE RIVER FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF OCTOBER 9, 2009

The following meeting minutes is a summary of the certified transcript for the Truckee River Fund Advisory Committee meeting held at 8:30 a.m., Friday, October 9, 2009.

Those Present: Committee Members: Janet Phillips, Chairperson; Tom Swan, Vice Chairman; Michael Cameron, Jerry Purdy, Bill Bradley, Mike Brisbin, Susan Donaldson, Trish Kuehl; Also: Sylvia Harrison, Esq.**, McDonald Carano Wilson LLP; Chris Askin, Community Foundation; Members of the Public: Becky Stock, Nevada Land Conservancy; and Ted Thayer, TRPA, via phone.

* Arrived after roll call.

** Left meeting before adjournment

Agenda Item #1: Roll Call: Roll call was taken. A quorum was noted.

Agenda Item #2: Approval of the agenda: The agenda was unanimously approved.

Agenda Item #3: Public comment: There was no public comment.

Agenda Item #4: Approval of the September 2009 summary meeting minutes: A motion passed unanimously to approve the September 9, 2009 Meeting Minutes (Transcript Summary).

Agenda Item #5: Fund balance report: Chris Askin reported that after gifts and earnings, grants distributed, grants approved and pending payment, and expenses and our reserve, there is an ending balance of \$877,467.06, which is available to grant.

Agenda Item #6: Review and possible approval of the Weed Coordinating Group's master plan: Becky Stock presented the master plan and map and spoke about the weed group's previous grants, including grants from the Truckee River Fund, indicating that all this information can go on the map and be monitored. She described the map features, which includes color coding for previously treated parcels and parcels targeted for the future, together with parcel numbers. She also said the master plan includes action plan steps for controlling weeds and identifies the Nevada regulatory statute. Sue Donaldson stated that the maps are available publicly, so groups now have a tool to see how what they want to do is going to fit with other efforts. She indicated the BIA ranking system that John Mosley

shared provided input to a points system scoring sheet for ranking projects. Sue and Becky answered questions from the group about landowner cooperation and availability of funds and cooperative effort to pay for the weed problem. The group had a lengthy discussion about how we need the weed group's knowledge to guide the spending of the money. Sue indicated she would provide a list of this year's and next year's priorities for the weed group.

A motion to use the score sheet as one of our guides in addressing our incoming proposal round approvals for weed abatement and to accept the master plan, with appreciation, passed unanimously, with Sue recusing from voting. Also, this item was continued to the next meeting.

Agenda Item #7: Discussion and possible recommendations for projects to prevent quagga mussels from entering upstream reservoirs: Tom Swan answered questions from the group and went over the list of six questions he had received from Sue Donaldson and answers he obtained previously from Ted Thayer regarding total annual cost of the inspection program, the fact that they can take no police action but can call Department of Wildlife to do something, how many ramps were inspected, how long it takes to get going, if there are certain types of boats more likely to be infected, and if most infested boats can be traced to a few locations. Then Ted Thayer returned the group's call and answered additional questions, regarding the ramps, fees and budget at Lake Tahoe, also, how he would prioritize a focus on other reservoirs and would definitely do an inspection program. He indicated that anything that could be done would reduce the risk. He suggested developing a baseline monitoring system and to find out if there is any evidence of mussels in the water bodies; that they assume there are, until shown otherwise; that if the mussels are there, there would be no point in doing ramp inspections; and that they have not found quagga or zebra mussels in Lake Tahoe.

This item was continued to the next meeting.

Agenda Item #8: Discussion and possible recommendations for projects to eradicate invasive aquatic weeds: This item was continued to the next meeting.

Agenda Item #9: Continuation of review and possible approval of project status reports: This item was continued to the next meeting.

Agenda Item #10: Committee & staff comments: No comments were given.

Agenda Item #11: Public comment: There was no public comment.

Agenda Item #12: Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Approved by the Truckee River Fund Advisory Committee in session on December 4, 2009.