

## MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Today's Date: February 25, 2011

Name of Organization: NEVADA STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

Meeting Date & Time: March 8, 2011 @ 8:30 am  
March 9, 2011 @ 8:30 am

Place of Meeting: Nevada Department of Agriculture  
405 S. 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Sparks, NV 89431  
Phone: 775-353-3601

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Jim R. Barbee, Interim Director

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### **AGENDA**

The following items will be discussed and acted upon, but may be taken in different order to accommodate the interests and time limitations of persons attending.

1. **Call to order by Chairman Alan Perazzo**
  - A. Pledge of Allegiance
  - B. Introduction of Board members, staff, and guests.

## 2. Board Business

- A. \*Approval of minutes from the December 14 & 15, 2010, January 5, 2011, and January 18, 2011 Board meetings. (Foley) **Action**
- B. Oath of office for reappointed Board member Grady Jones. (Armstrong)
- C. Presentation and training in Nevada's Open Meeting Law. (Armstrong) **Information**
- D. Presentation by Jason King, P. E., State Engineer, Division of Water Resources regarding the beneficial use of Nevada waters and wild horses. (King) **Information**
- E. Presentation by Steve Marty, Organic and Seed Program Manager, Nevada Department of Agriculture regarding certification process. (Marty) **Information**
- F. Quarterly report from the Nevada Organic Advisory Council. (O'Farrell) **Information**
- G. Nevada Farm Bureau and Nevada Board of Agriculture discussion and possible action regarding Virginia Range Estrays. (Busselman) **Action**
- H. \*Update on the PUC's Interruptible Irrigation Peak Penalty Charge. (Busselman) **Information**
- I. \*Review and possible action of the Department's Goals and Objectives. (Perazzo) **Action**
- J. Discussion and possible action with regards to the duties and responsibilities of the Director. (Barbee) **Action**
- K. Discussion and possible action with regards to the duties and responsibilities of the Nevada Board of Agriculture. (Barbee) **Action**
- L. Discussion and possible action with regards to the movement of the Weights and Measures Division and the Petroleum Technology Bureau to the Department of Motor Vehicles. (Perazzo) **Action**
- M. Discussion and possible action by the Board regarding the recruitment process for the position of Director of the Nevada Department of Agriculture. (Perazzo) **Action**

## 3. Director's Report

- A. Director's report (Barbee) **Information**

4. **Administration Division**

A. Division Update (Scheid) **Information**

5. **Animal Industry**

No Report

6. **Petroleum Technology Bureau**

No Report

7. **Weights and Measures Division**

No Report

8. **Resource Protection Division**

No Report

9. **Livestock Identification Division**

No report

10. **Plant Industry Division**

A. \*Entomology update – no presentation-report in packet only. **Information**

B. \*EPA 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY 2011 – no presentation-report in packet only. **Information**

11. **Department employee comments and suggestions to the Board of Agriculture.**  
**Information**

12. **Board of Agriculture member comments.**

13. **Public Comments** **Information**

Public comment during the Board meeting will be for all matters, both on and off the agenda, and be limited to two minutes per person. Additionally, public comment of two minutes per person will be heard during individual action items on the agenda. Persons are invited to submit comments in writing on the agenda items and/or attend and make comment on that agenda item at the Board meeting.

The Chairman and the Board of Agriculture intend that their proceedings should demonstrate the highest levels of decorum, civic responsibility, efficiency and mutual respect between

citizens and their government. The Board respects the right of citizens to present differing opinions and views, even criticism, but our democracy cannot function effectively in an environment of personal attacks, slander, threats of violence, and willful disruption. To that end, the Nevada Open Meeting Law provides the authority for the Chair of the public body to maintain the decorum and to declare a recess if needed to remove any person who is disrupting the meeting, and notice is hereby provided of the intent of this body to preserve the decorum and remove anyone who disrupts the proceedings.

The Nevada Board of Agriculture can deliberate or take action only if a matter has been listed on an agenda properly posted prior to the meeting. During public comment period, speakers may address matters listed or not listed on the published agenda. The Open Meeting Law does not expressly prohibit responses to public comment by the Board. However, responses from the Board to unlisted public comment topics could become deliberation on a matter without notice to the public. On the advice of legal counsel and to ensure the public has notice of all matters the Board will consider, Board members may choose not to respond to public comments, except to correct factual inaccuracies, ask for staff action, or ask that a matter be listed on a future agenda.

#### 14. Adjournment (Perazzo) **Action**

Anyone desiring further information or explanation of the above agenda items may call Sandie Foley at (775) 353-3619 during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

\* Denotes supporting documents in the Board packet.

**(ACTION)** indicates that the Board needs to take action on an item. **(INFORMATION)** indicates an information item for the Board. Please ensure that ACTION items have accompanying information for the Board members to review.

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