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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Jamie Thompson, Plant Industry Administrative Assistant - (775) 353-3670
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SUBJECT: Notice of Organic Advisory Council Open Meeting for Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

DATE: April 22, 2015

I have attached a copy of the Notice of Organic Advisory Council Open Meeting for Tuesday, April 28, 2015.

Please post the agenda before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2015, per open meeting law and return this memo to my attention, signed with the date of posting, as I need this for our files.

We appreciate your assistance in this posting.

Thank you.

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Notice of Organic Advisory Council Open Meeting

The Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21st Street Sparks, Nevada 89431, is holding an open meeting for the Organic Advisory Council (OAC) on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. Please see the attached agenda for content that will be discussed. The meeting will be held at:

Nevada Department of Agriculture
405 South 21st Street
Sparks, Nevada 89431

Additional information regarding the open meeting can be obtained through contacting:

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This Notice of Open Meeting, to Solicit Comments on agenda items selected for the annual OAC meeting, is attached and has been posted on the NDA's website at [http://agri.nv.gov/Outreach/Hearings, Meetings, and Workshops/](http://agri.nv.gov/Outreach/Hearings,_Meetings,_and_Workshops/) and at the following locations:

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Nevada Department of Agriculture
405 South 21st St.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
of the
NEVADA ORGANIC ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Nevada Organic Advisory Council will conduct a public meeting on **Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 11:00 AM** in the conference room of the Nevada Department of Agriculture, 405 South 21st St. Sparks NV 89431. More information can be obtained and public comment may be submitted by calling (775) 353-3623.

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the chairperson.

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER 11:00 A.M.**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **INTRODUCTIONS**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**
6. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**
Please state your name for the record. This item reserved for subject matter not on the agenda. Topics introduced in this portion of the meeting will not be acted upon but may be included as an agenda item for follow-up action at a future Organic Advisory Council (OAC) meeting. **Please keep comments to a maximum of 5 minutes.**
7. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - A) Organic Certification Program subcommittee updates (**Informational**)
 - a. Marketing (Nicole)
 - b. Legislative (Amber)
 - c. Livestock (Amber)
 - d. Fee Structures: NDA Increased Fees; 3rd Party Certifier Fees; Creation of Private Certifier (Kunall)
 - B) Direction of the NDA Organic Certification Program (**Action**):
 - a. Increased Fees
 - b. Request for General Fund
 - c. Transition to 3rd Party Certification Agencies
 - C) Correspondence and Announcements (**Informational**)
8. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A) NDA organic program update (**Informational**)
 - a. Potential Future Classes:
 - i. NOP Penalty Matrix
 - ii. Inspection process
 - B) Election of 2015 council member for the positions of organic producer (**Action**)
9. **ADJOURN**

NOTE: We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to attend the meeting. If special arrangements for the meeting are necessary, please call the Nevada Department of Agriculture, 775-353-3623, as soon as possible.

This Notice of Public Meeting was posted at the following locations on April 14 2015:

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