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**COMMISSION ON MINERAL RESOURCES**  
 Nevada Department of Agriculture  
 405 South 21st Street-Conference Room, Sparks, NV 89431

**Friday, May 1, 2015**

**1:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Agenda for this meeting of the Commission on Mineral Resources has been properly posted for this date and time in accordance with NRS requirement.

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

Pursuant to N.R.S. 241, this time is devoted to comments by the public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item on the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on a successive agenda and identified as an item for possible action. All public comments will be limited to 5 minutes for each person. **ACTION WILL NOT BE TAKEN**

**I. MINUTES**

- A. Approval of the February 24, 2015 meeting minutes

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**II. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Chairman's discussion on administrative functions of Commission- vice chair, subcommittees, and matters related thereto.

**FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**

- B. Well Database

The Division began inspecting all geothermal and oil/gas wells in Nevada on a risk-based schedule in 2014. Documentation and follow-up of well inspections was previously all on paper. The Division undertook a project to move all well file information to an electronic format. A Geothermal database has been developed on a Microsoft Access platform. Erik Langenfeld will report on progress.

**FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**

- C. AML and Minerals Education

Bill Durbin will report on the Southern Nevada earth Science teacher's workshop and educational activities in Southern Nevada, and Lucia Patterson will report on educational activities in Northern Nevada.

**FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**

D. Reimbursement Policy for Professional Organizations and Meetings. The Division has operated with an informal policy in the past. Per NRS 513.063(4), the CMR must approve administrative policies for the Division. A draft policy has been prepared for consideration. Rich Perry **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

E. Interstate Mining Compact Commission IMCC **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**  
Nevada joined the IMCC as an associate member in 2012. Associate members are allowed a five year period to gain full membership while being assessed at a fixed annual rate. Dues will increase from \$5000 per year in 2015 to \$10,000 per year in FY 2016 and 2017. Using the current IMCC formula, full membership would be assessed at \$41,858 per year thereafter. The CMR can make a recommendation to the Governor regarding Nevada's continuing membership in IMCC.

### III. OLD BUSINESS

A. BLM/AML Program Update **FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**  
John Callan, BLM

B. AML Intern Work Program and funding sources for program **FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**  
Rob Ghiglieri will present the 2015 work program including past and present funding for the program.

C. NDOM Reserve Balance Tracking **FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**  
At the February 28, 2015 meeting Commissioners asked for updated information on tracking NDOM financial reserves. Mike Visher will present a graph of reserve balance by week for FY 2014 and FY 2015.

D. Mining Claim Form Task Force update **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**  
At the December, 2014, CMR meeting the Commission Directed Staff to form a task force to review certain language on mining claim forms which are available on the Division web site. Task force members Bryan, Parker, Visher and Perry will report on progress.

E. SB-44 Update **FOR DISCUSSION ONLY**  
SB 44 is the CMR bill to change the way fees are set for oil and gas drilling. The current draft of SB 44 has caps for conventional and unconventional wells, and an increase in the Administrative fee. Rich Perry will report on the status of the bill, and other bills that could affect NDOM.

### IV. STAFF REPORTS

- 1) Mining/Reclamation Bond Pool – Mike Visher
- 2) Oil, Gas, and Geothermal – Lowell Price  
(Oil and geothermal drilling update)
- 3) Correspondence

## **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- A. Determination of time and place of next CMR meeting

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **NOTICE TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

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The Commission will be attending a field trip on Friday, May 1, 2015 to Nevada Department of Agriculture, Reno NV. Members of the public may attend but must provide their own transportation and safety equipment. Advanced notification is required. Please call Valerie Kneefel at (775) 684-7043.