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Tuesday, February 20, 2018

9:00 A.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

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ACTION WILL NOT BE TAKEN

I. MINUTES

A. Approval of the November 30, 2017 meeting minutes

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

FOR DISCUSSION ONLY

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. NBMG Mineral Industry Report for 2016

This report is compiled annually by the NBMG, with assistance from NDOM. The report is funded annually by the Commission. John Muntean will provide a summary of the report, which was published on-time for last year's AEMA annual convention.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- B. UNR-MSM annual \$2 claim fee approval consideration. Under the current 5-year agreement with the University, the Division designated in annual claim fees to support activities at the Mackay School. This is the last and final payment under the 5-year extension of this agreement, which was approved by the CMR in 2013. The Division has sufficient reserves to cover this item. A letter to the Dean of the College of Science has been prepared informing UNR that the agreement has been fulfilled.
- C. <u>Election by Commission of a Chairman for the next biennium.</u>
 The Commission adopted a practice to choose a Chairman every two years at the first quarter meeting in even years.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

D. Planning for a Nevada trade booth at PDAC.

FOR DISCUSSION ONLY The 2018-19 budget included \$35,000 for a Nevada trade booth and presence at the Prospectors and Developers Assn of Canada annual trade show in Toronto on March 4-7, 2018. The scope of the project includes a professionally-designed trade booth that could be used by Nevada State agencies and trade Associations, and travel expenses for two NDOM employees to attend. Garrett Wake is the project manager for this effort, and has been meeting with representatives from NMA, GOED, NMEC, GSN, NBMG and BLM in designing the booth and coordinating efforts. Garrett Wake will update CMR on the current plan.

III. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. DMRE Regulations Task Force update

A task force was formed by the Commission at the August 24, 2017 CMR meeting to review and provide input as the DMRE regulations progress towards an adoption hearing before the CMR. The task force met on January 30, 2018 and will provide an update.

B. AML work planned for 2018 and Arden Mine closure project At the August 24, 2017 Commission meeting, the CMR instructed Division staff to increase AML hard closure projects by an additional \$100,000 in 2018. The Division is partnering with Clark County on a hard closure project at the Arden Mine near Las Vegas, and has other projects planned in addition to the summer intern work plan. Rob Ghiglieri will report on the 2018 AML work plan.

C. Land Withdrawals update

Mike Visher will provide an update on Federal land withdrawal activity in Nevada.

D. NDOM Administrator evaluation plan

At the CMR meeting on November 30, 2017, the Commission discussed conducting a biennial evaluation of the Administrator at the 2Q meeting in even years. Commissioners Korpi and Henderson volunteered to help develop the evaluation form and procedure for the first evaluation, which would be at the May, 2018 meeting.

IV. STAFF REPORTS

- Oil, Gas, Geothermal and Dissolved Minerals (OGGDM) drilling Permitting and Activity Lowell Price
- Mining and Reclamation Bond Pool Mike Visher
- 3) Administrator Report and correspondence

COMMISSION BUSINESS

A. Determination of time and place of next CMR meeting

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