



## COUNTY OF INYO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOTIFICATION FROM THE MEETING OF April 12, 2016  
OF THE INYO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### **TO: File**

*PLANNING  
INYO NATIONAL FOREST  
PLAN UPDATE/REVISION*

Planning Director, Josh Hart, wanted to announce to the Board that the Forest Service reported they are on track to release the Draft Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in late April or early May stating that the draft plan will be a stand alone document which you can read, and then concurrently the Forest Service will have the EIS to evaluate the draft plan and present alternatives. Mr. Hart continued by stating that there will be a 60 or 90 day public comment period on the draft plan, after which the Forest Supervisor can choose the alternative and/or alter it if he wishes. There are three (3) plans, one for each forest, and the Forest Supervisor of that forest is the decision maker for each forest. A decision will probably be made in late summer. At that time an appeal or protest can be filed. Earl Wilson, local resident from Lone Pine, came forward asking for further clarification on a 60 or 90 day comment period. Mr. Hart also reported that the Forest Service will have public forums for input and discussion. Supervisor Pucci asked Mr. Hart if the Forest Service would be available to come speak to the Board. Mr. Hart stated he and his staff would ask if the Forest Service could come and do a workshop or presentation to initiate some discussion on the plan.

Attest: *KEVIN D. CARUNCHIO*  
*Clerk of the Board*

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**AGENDA REQUEST FORM**  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF INYO

For Clerk's Use Only:  
AGENDA NUMBER

14

- Consent       Departmental       Correspondence Action       Public Hearing  
 Scheduled Time for       Closed Session       Informational

**FROM:** Planning Department

**FOR THE BOARD MEETING OF:** April 12, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Inyo National Forest Plan Update

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive a presentation from staff about coordination with Forest Service staff regarding the Inyo National Forest Plan Update/Revision and provide input.

**SUMMARY DISCUSSION:** The Inyo National Forest (INF) is drafting an updated INF Plan.<sup>1</sup> The County and the Forest Service have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding designating the County as a Cooperating Agency in developing the Plan, and staff will report on recent activities arising out of its responsibilities in regards thereto. Input from the Board is requested to guide staff in future coordination efforts with Forest Service staff.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:** Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service; Mono, Fresno, Madera, and Tuolumne counties; Town of Mammoth Lakes and City of Bishop; other interested persons and organizations.

**FINANCING:** General fund resources are utilized to monitor planning work in the Forest. Resources for Willdan's assistance with the effort are funded by operating transfer from the Geothermal Royalties fund.

**APPROVALS**

COUNTY COUNSEL:	AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTS AND ORDINANCES AND CLOSED SESSION AND RELATED ITEMS <i>(Must be reviewed and approved by county counsel prior to submission to the board clerk.)</i>
AUDITOR/CONTROLLER:	ACCOUNTING/FINANCE AND RELATED ITEMS <i>(Must be reviewed and approved by the auditor-controller prior to submission to the board clerk.)</i>
PERSONNEL DIRECTOR:	PERSONNEL AND RELATED ITEMS <i>(Must be reviewed and approved by the director of personnel services prior to submission to the board clerk.)</i>

**DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE:**  
(Not to be signed until all approvals are received)



Date: 3/25/16

<sup>1</sup> Refer to <http://inyoplanning.org/InyoNationalForest.htm> for more information about the County's participation in the Plan Update/Revision.