

## **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Inyo County Planning Commission will hold public hearings Wednesday, August 17, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, 224 N. Edwards Street, Independence, to consider the following:

### **Laws Railroad Museum – Visitor Use Railcar Ride Track Expansion Project**

Inyo County Planning Commission will consider and potentially certify the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) of Environmental Impact pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Laws Railroad Museum. The Project consists of the restoration of approximately 0.7-miles or 3,700-feet of existing railroad grade and re-laying railroad track for a visitor use railcar. The restoration of the existing RR grade directly south of the Laws Museum grounds will connect to the track currently being used for visitor rides and education. The new track will run to just short of the McNally Return Ditch (aka Laws Ditch) and will not cross it. This will make the total distance of the train car rides approximately 1.25-miles. The rides currently run every other weekend and some holidays and for private events. The project proponent estimates a maximum number of train rides per year after the extension of 300.

If you challenge any finding, determination, or decision made regarding this project in court, you may be limited to raising only the issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered prior to the hearing.

Comments can be made regarding these projects prior to the meeting via U.S. Mail: PO Drawer L, Independence, CA 93526), Fax [(760) 872-2712], or by email ([inyoplanning@inyocounty.us](mailto:inyoplanning@inyocounty.us))

All mailed, Faxed, and emailed comments will become part of the official record, and the Planning Commission will take that feedback into consideration as it deliberates.

Comments may also be given via Zoom (audio only) during the meeting at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84859902334?pwd=TThZN3hxTzNjZmhOVlFaSUtHUExRdz09>

You can also dial in by phone at 1-669-900-6833 Meeting ID: 848 5990 2334 and then enter Passcode: 934437

If you have any questions, please contact the Planning Department at (760) 878-0263. Project materials are posted on the Planning Department website at: [www.inyoplanning.org](http://www.inyoplanning.org) under “Current Projects.”