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# **Committee Description and Purpose**

- I. COMMITTEE NAME: Labor/Management Safety Committee
- II. TYPE OF COMMITTEE: Standing
- III. MEMBERSHIP (NUMBER OF MEMBERS, TERMS, AND TERM LIMITS):
  - a. Two non-voting Co-Chairs
  - b. Four represented and appointed by ICEA
  - c. One represented and appointed by each of the following DSA, ICCOA, or IPPOA
  - d. Four management employees, appointed by CAO or designee
  - e. Two from unrepresented classifications, appointed by Co-Chairs with Department Head recommendation

Though participation is open, membership is strongly encouraged from the following departments: Sheriff/Jail, Probation, HHS - Public Health, HHS - Social Services, Solid Waste, Parks, AG, and Public Works - Road. Term limits are subject to appointing body. Any member missing two or more meetings in a calendar year shall lose their committee appointment. Any member may be called upon during an Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) investigation, so committee members are strongly encouraged to complete a ten hour OSHA safety course (OSHA-10) to improve understanding applicable to this committee. Quorum is eight.

- IV. COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS: Risk Manager/Safety Officer and Director of Personnel
  - a. Co-Chairs report in writing to the CAO (quarterly) and orally annually to the Board of Supervisors.
  - b. Co-Chairs set meeting agendas and post committee minutes.

#### V. GOAL:

This committee meets as required to assist Inyo County in promoting a healthy workplace for County employees which is free of recognized physical and environmental hazards.

## VI. PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a. A proactive approach to health and safety protects County investment in the lives of employees, employee productivity, and County reputation
- b. Understand, discuss, and evaluate data on employee work-related injuries and illnesses to make recommendations on prevention of similar events
- c. Understand, discuss, evaluate, and make recommendations on emergency procedures
- d. Understand, discuss, evaluate, and make recommendations about the Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP), including safety communications, facility safety investigations, and employee safety and compliance training
- e. Discuss and evaluate outstanding PW projects related to health and safety
- f. Review and make recommendations regarding the County's resource allocation related to health and safety
- g. Fulfill committee obligations as set forth in Board goals
- h. Convene meetings no less than quarterly.

## VII. MEETING DAY AND TIME:

Third Thursday at 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM in January (Bishop), April (Independence), July (Bishop), and October (Independence). May be held via Teams.

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