



# INYO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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## AMENDED AGENDA

**Tecopa Community Center**

405 Tecopa Hot Springs Rd., Tecopa, California

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### REGULAR MEETING

**November 4, 2025**

**2:30 P.M.**

- 1) **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2) **Employee Service Recognition** - Tecopa Operations Manager Rose Colon will be recognized for 10 years of service to Inyo County.
- 3) **Public Comment**  
Comments may be time-limited
- 4) **County Department Reports**

### CONSENT AGENDA

(Items that are considered routine and are approved in a single motion; approval recommended by the County Administrator)

- 5) **Approval of Minutes from the October 21, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meetings**

Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board

#### **Recommended Action:**

Approve the minutes from the regular Board of Supervisors meeting of October 21, 2025.

**6) Request from Inyo Council for the Arts for Partnership Declaration**

Inyo Council for the Arts | Assistant Clerk of the Board

**Recommended Action:**

Approve Resolution No. 2025-43, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California Designating Inyo Council for the Arts as a California State Arts Council Partner to Inyo County," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

**7) Water Meter Purchase**

Public Works | Michael Errante

**Recommended Action:**

Authorize a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$543,933.61 payable to Core & Main LP of Lancaster, CA for the purchase of Kamstrup Water Meters, subject to County Counsel and Auditor review and approval as to form.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

**8) Bonanza Peak Solar Project Community Update**

Planning Department | Bonanza Peak Solar  
30 minutes (10 min. Presentation / 20min. Discussion)

**Recommended Action:**

Receive an update on the Bonanza Peak Solar Project.

**9) Flippin-Hamrick Tecopa Campground Concessionaire Community Update and Introduction**

County Administrator | Meaghan McCamman  
10 minutes

**Recommended Action:**

Be introduced to the new Tecopa Campground and Hot Springs Concessionaire.

**10) Rate Schedule to be Charged by the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pools**

County Administrator | Meaghan McCamman  
15 minutes (5min. Presentation / 10min. Discussion)

**Recommended Action:**

Approve new rates as requested by and to be charged by Flippin-Hamrick, LLC for use of the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground & Pools.

- 11) Workshop** - The Board will hear updates and reports from representatives of the following entities:

- Amargosa Conservancy
- Death Valley National Park
- Southern Inyo Fire Protection District
- Center for Biological Diversity
- Any other interested group or organization

#### **ADDENDUM**

**11A) Resolution in Support of Amargosa Basin National Monument**

Friends of the Amargosa Basin | Executive Director Cameron Mayer  
10 minutes (5min. Presentation / 5min. Discussion)

**Recommended Action:**

- A) Receive an update from the Friends of the Amargosa Basin; and
- B) Approve Resolution No. 2025-44, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, in Support of the Establishment of the Proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

#### **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT & REPORTS**

**12) Public Comment**

Comments may be time-limited



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## AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

November 4, 2025

Reference ID:  
2025-739

### Approval of Minutes from the October 21, 2025 Board of Supervisors Meetings

Clerk of the Board

ACTION REQUIRED

#### ITEM SUBMITTED BY

Clerk of the Board

#### ITEM PRESENTED BY

Assistant Clerk of the Board

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the minutes from the regular Board of Supervisors meeting of October 21, 2025.

#### BACKGROUND / SUMMARY / JUSTIFICATION:

The Board is required to keep minutes of its proceedings. Once the Board has approved the minutes as requested, the minutes will be made available to the public via the County's webpage, [www.inyocounty.us](http://www.inyocounty.us).

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact associated with this agenda item.

#### ALTERNATIVES AND/OR CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Your Board may request changes or edits, or decline to approve but the latter option is not recommended.

#### OTHER DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

Not Applicable

#### APPROVALS:

Hayley Carter  
Darcy Israel

Created/Initiated - 10/27/2025  
Final Approval - 10/27/2025

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Draft October 21, 2025 Minutes

# MINUTES



## County of Inyo Board of Supervisors

**October 21, 2025**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, met in regular session at the hour of 8:33 a.m., on October 21, 2025, in the Board of Supervisors Room, County Administrative Center, Independence, with the following Supervisors present: Chairperson Scott Marcellin, presiding, Will Wadelton, Jeff Griffiths, Jennifer Roeser and Trina Orrill. Also present: Acting County Administrative Officer Denelle Carrington, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, and Assistant Clerk of the Board Darcy Israel.

***Public Comment I***

The Chairperson asked for public comment related to closed session items and there was no one wishing to speak.

***Closed Session***

Chairperson Marcellin recessed open session at 5:16 p.m. to convene in closed session with all Board members present to discuss the following item(s): No. 2 **Conference with County's Labor Negotiators – Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6** – Regarding employee organizations: Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); Inyo County Correctional Officers Association (ICCOA); Inyo County Employees Association (ICEA); Inyo County Probation Peace Officers Association (ICPPOA); IHSS Workers; Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (LEAA). Unrepresented employees: all. County designated representatives – Acting Administrative Officer Denelle Carrington, Assistant Personnel Director Keri Oney, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, and Assistant County Counsel Christy Milovich; No. 3 **Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: Health & Human Services Director; No. 4 **Public Employment – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: County Administrator; No. 5 **Conference with Real Property Negotiators – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8** – Property: 605 S. Main St., Lone Pine, CA 93545. Agency Negotiator: Denelle Carrington, Meaghan McCamman, John-Carl Vallejo. Negotiating Parties: Inyo County and Jeff Potter. Under Negotiation: price and terms of payment; No. 6 **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9** – Name of case: City of Los Angeles v. County of Inyo et al (Case No. 12908); No. 7 **Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation** - Initiation of litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(c). Number of cases: 1; and No. 8 **Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9**. Number of potential cases: 1.

***Open Session***

Chairperson Marcellin recessed closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 10:07 a.m. with all Board members present.

***Pledge of Allegiance***

Acting County Administrative Officer Denelle Carrington led the Pledge of Allegiance.

***Report on Closed Session***

County Counsel Vallejo reported that the Board met under Item Nos. 2 through 4 and said that no action was taken during closed session that is required to be reported. He said the Board would reconvene in closed session later in the meeting.

***Public Comment II***

The Chairperson asked for public comment related to items not calendared on the agenda and public comment was received from Sierra Baptist Church Pastor Tracy Weaver.

***County Department Reports***

Environmental Health Director Jerry Oser provided information on two newly enacted Assembly Bills – AB 592, known as the "Open Kitchen Law," and AB 671, which outlines scheduled inspections of restaurant establishments.

Health & Human Services Director Anna Scott shared an update on the status of client services impacted by the ongoing federal shutdown. She noted that the department has

received new guidance from the State Department of Social Services regarding the situation. As a result of the disruption, CalFresh will not be available in November. In response, department staff will support community members by connecting them with local food banks to help ensure their needs are met.

### *Employee Service Milestones*

The Board of Supervisors recognized the following employees who reached service milestones during the third quarter of 2025, many of whom were in attendance to receive their commemorative pins:

- Deo Delos Santos, 30 years – Health & Human Services
- Noni Raley, 15 years – Health & Human Services
- Melissa Ruiz-Bermudez, 10 years – Health & Human Services
- Brittin Gillespie, 10 years – Health & Human Services
- Monica Tinlin, 25 years – Personnel
- Keri Oney, 15 years – Personnel
- Cathreen Richards, 15 years – Planning
- Stephanie Rennie, 20 years – Sheriff
- Christian Ray, 25 years – Sheriff
- Derek Henry, 5 years – Sheriff
- Travis Dean, 10 years – Public Works
- Kevin Lomeli, 5 years – Public Works
- Penni Brown, 15 years – Probation

### *Introductions*

The following new employees were introduced to Board:

- **Auditor-Controller:** Office Technician Danielle Cuara, Administrative Analyst Armand Pigeon
- **Health and Human Services:** Administrative Secretary Liza Aguilar, Behavioral Health Counselor Natalie Feeney, Office Clerk Yessica Valadez, Social Worker I Jolene Covington, Prevention Specialist Lori Wiest
- **Public Works:** Building Maintenance Worker Jason Forehand, Heavy Equipment Operator Lucio Gonzalez, Heavy Equipment Operator Valentine Vega
- **Sheriff:** Public Safety Dispatcher Bayden W. Jennings.

### *Clerk of the Board – Approval of Minutes*

Moved by Supervisor Orrill and seconded by Supervisor Wadelton to approve the regular Board of Supervisors meeting of October 7, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

### *CAO-Personnel – District Attorney Authorized Strength Correction*

Moved by Supervisor Orrill and seconded by Supervisor Wadelton to correct the title in the authorized strength in the District Attorney's Office by changing the District Attorney Operations Analyst to Administrative Operations Coordinator. Motion carried unanimously.

### *Sheriff – Boating Safety Equipment Grant*

Moved by Supervisor Orrill and seconded by Supervisor Wadelton to formally accept the grant award of \$10,963.49 from the Division of Boating and Waterways to support the refurbishment of the Inyo County Sheriff's Office Patrol Boat and authorize the Sheriff or authorized designee to sign the agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

### *Sheriff – FY 25-26 Justice Assistance Grant Equipment & Training Program Award/Reso. #2025-41*

Moved by Supervisor Orrill and seconded by Supervisor Wadelton to:

- A) Approve Resolution No. 2025-41, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Authorizing the Acceptance of the State of California, Justice Assistance Grant Equipment and Training Program Administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC)," and authorize the Chairperson to sign; and
- B) Authorize the Sheriff or her designee to complete any additional paperwork required to receive the grant funds.

Motion carried unanimously.

### *HHS – Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care*

The item was pulled from the Consent Agenda and moved to the Regular Agenda at the request of the Chairperson for further discussion. HHS Director Scott explained that the agenda item was driven by a substantial increase in funding for the Foster Care Program.

Moved by Supervisor Orrill and seconded by Supervisor Wadelton to ratify and approve the

Letter of Allocation from the California Department of Health Care Services Children's Medical Services Branch for the Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care, in the total amount of \$343,236, for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, and authorize the Chairperson to sign the Certification Statement. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Works –  
Consolidated Slurry  
Seal Change Order  
Reso. #2025-39 &  
N.O.C. Reso. #2025-40**

Chairperson Marcellin moved the item from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda for clarification on the ratification of Change Order No. 1. Public Works Director Mike Errante explained that the change order and increase in cost occurred out of necessity for additional material for the Consolidated Slurry Seal Projects.

Moved by Supervisor Wadelton and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to:

- A) Approve the proposed Resolution No. 2025-39, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Ratifying Change Order No 1 to the Contract with American Asphalt South, Inc. of Riverside, CA," and authorize the Chairperson to sign; and
- B) Approve the proposed Resolution No. 2025-40, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California Authorizing the Recording of a Notice of Completion for the Consolidated Slurry Seal Projects," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

Motion carried unanimously.

**CAO/ Auditor-  
Controller/Treasurer-  
Tax Collector –  
SIHD Loan Document  
Approval and  
Reso. #2025-42**

Southern Inyo Hospital District CEO Dr. Kevin Flanigan reported a notable improvement in the hospital's financial condition in recent weeks, assuring both the Board and the public that bankruptcy is no longer a concern. Responding to an inquiry from Supervisor Wadelton, Dr. Flanigan expressed optimism that, based on recent communications, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power appears willing to engage and offer support. Additionally, Supervisor Wadelton stated he would set aside Fifth District TOT funds for the hospital in case further financial assistance is required.

Moved by Supervisor Wadelton and seconded by Supervisor Roeser to:

- A) Approve Resolution No. 2025-42, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California, Authorizing a Loan to the Southern Inyo Healthcare District, Pursuant to Government Code Section 23010", and authorize the Chairperson to sign; and
- B) Authorize the Board to approve a Promissory Note between the County of Inyo and Southern Inyo Healthcare District and authorize the County Administrative Officer to sign; and
- C) Amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Economic Stabilization Budget (010407) as follows: increase appropriation in Other Agency Loans (Object Code 5560) by \$500,000. (4/5ths vote required).

Motion carried unanimously.

**Water Department –  
Inyo/Los Angeles  
Standing Committee  
Meeting**

Water Director Holly Alpert provided an overview and requested Board direction in advance of the Inyo County/Los Angeles Standing Committee meeting scheduled for November 10, 2025 in Los Angeles.

The Board issued the following directives to staff:

- 1) Investigate and report on any current strategies aimed at preventing the spread of the highly invasive Golden Mussel into Inyo County waterways.
- 2) Integrate details on mitigation efforts into the Long-Term Water Agreement presentation, emphasizing the critical importance of proactive measures to address environmental threats.

Chairperson Marcellin asked if there were any members of the public who wished to provide comment and public comment was received from Friends of the Inyo Executive Director Wendy Schneider, Big Pine Paiute Tribe Environmental Director Sally Manning, and Friends of the Inyo Water Justice Organizer Lauren Rose.

**Environmental Health –  
Fee Schedule**

Environmental Health Director Jerry Oser delivered a presentation outlining proposed structural changes to the Environmental Health fee schedule. Acting CAO Carrington emphasized the County's commitment to ensuring all fee schedules undergo review and updates. Board members expressed appreciation to Oser for information gathered and

requested updates on planned public outreach efforts on the matter.

**CAO –  
Tecopa Hot Springs  
Concession Agreement**

Deputy CAO Meaghan McCamman provided details on the new Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pool Concessionaire Agreement and addressed questions from the Board. Board members thanked staff for hard work put into securing the agreement so swiftly - especially given that the previous concessionaire only just departed in June. They noted that the timely turnaround ensures the community's needs are met ahead of the upcoming "Tecopa Takeover" event and the seasonal arrival of winter visitors.

Moved by Supervisor Wadelton and seconded by Supervisor Roeser to approve the concessionaire's agreement between the County of Inyo and Flippin Happy Campers & Lance Hamrick LLC of Las Vegas, NV for the operation and maintenance of the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground & Pools in Tecopa, CA for the period of October 21, 2025 through June 30, 2035, with two options to extend through June 30, 2045, and authorize the Chairperson to sign the agreement presented today, contingent upon all appropriate signatures being obtained. Motion carried unanimously.

**CAO-Personnel –  
ICEA Side Letter**

Moved by Supervisor Wadelton and seconded by Supervisor Roeser to approve the side letter between the County of Inyo and the Inyo County Employees Association. Motion carried unanimously.

**CAO-Personnel –  
Interim CAO Personal  
Services Contract  
Amendment No. 1**

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to ratify and approve Amendment No. 1 to the contract between the County of Inyo and Denelle Carrington for the provision of personal services as the Interim County Administrative Officer at Grade 34, Step A \$18,000.22 per month effective October 9, 2025, and authorize the Chairperson to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

**CAO –  
Regional Broadband  
Update –**

Regional Broadband Coordinator Scott Armstrong provided an update on broadband initiatives across the region, highlighting recent progress, ongoing research into grant funding opportunities, and the status of infrastructure availability throughout Inyo County communities. Armstrong also provided a short demonstration on a new internet speed test application and explained its practical uses.

**Assistant Clerk of the  
Board –  
CSAC Board of  
Directors Appointments**

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Wadelton to appoint Supervisor Orrill as a director to serve on the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Board of Directors for year 2025-2026 and Supervisor Griffiths to serve as alternate representative. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Works –  
Commercial Air Service  
Cost Sharing  
Agreement**

Deputy Director of Public Works – Airports, Ashley Helms presented a brief overview of the cost-sharing agreement between the County of Inyo, the Town of Mammoth Lakes, Mammoth Lakes Tourism, and Mammoth Mountain Ski Area to support the minimum revenue guarantee for air service at the Eastern Sierra Regional Airport.

Helms noted that the agreement has not yet been reviewed by the other governing boards, and if approved by all parties, the funding would be issued from the current fiscal year budget retroactively. Board members raised questions and requested adding language into the agreement which requires the use of itemized invoicing and displays the complete breakdown of stakeholder contributions.

Moved by Supervisor Griffiths and seconded by Supervisor Roeser to:

- A) Approve the Commercial Air Service Cost Sharing Agreement, as amended, between Inyo County, Mammoth Lakes Tourism, Town of Mammoth Lakes, and Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, and authorize the Board Chair to sign;
- B) Approve the payment of Invoice #2570 from Mammoth Lakes Tourism in the amount of \$200,000, contingent upon an itemized receipt and receipt of the fully executed Cost Sharing Agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Works –  
CSA2 Budget  
Amendment**

Moved by Supervisor Roeser and seconded by Supervisor Orrill to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 County Service Area #2 Budget (810001) as follows: increase appropriation in Construction in Progress (5700) by \$85,000. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment III**

Chairperson Marcellin asked for public comment related to items not calendared on the agenda and there was no one wishing to speak.

**Board Member & Staff Reports**

Supervisor Wadelton said he attended open houses at volunteer fire stations, a countywide flu shot clinic, and the Lone Pine Film Festival. He noted the Olancho-Cartago Fire Department is seeking a new water tender and highlighted the Lone Pine Death Valley Airport's annual fly-in event, as well as the Inyo Associates meeting held in Lone Pine. Wadelton said he will travel to Tecopa for a community meeting, attend the Caltrans District 9 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Olancho-Cartago 4-Lane Expressway Project, help with Lone Pine High School's Homecoming barbecue, attend meetings to discuss a food bank for National Park employees, and participate in the Death Valley '49ers Annual Encampment event.

Supervisor Orrill reported that she attended meetings of the National Association of Counties (NACo) Environment, Energy and Land Use Committee, the Behavioral Health Advisory Board, the Laws Railroad Museum Board, and met with representatives from California Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and Los Angeles Department of Water & Power to discuss the Golden Mussel issue. Additionally, she participated in the Halloween "Trunk or Treat" celebration hosted by First 5 Inyo and the Eastern Sierra Walk for a Cure, hosted by the Eastern Sierra Cancer Alliance. Orrill commended County Animal Control staff for organizing an animal adoption event in conjunction with the Walk for a Cure.

Supervisor Marcellin said he attended the "Trunk or Treat" event and thanked staff for their continued dedication to the community. He also met with Senator Alvarado-Gil and her staff to discuss establishing in-person assistance hours at the Bishop Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office for elderly and Tribal constituents.

Supervisor Griffiths said that he attended an Executive Committee meeting of the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) alongside Supervisor Orrill, participated in discussions with CDFW and LADWP regarding the Golden Mussel issue, and met with newly appointed City of Bishop Administrator Pamela Foster. He also completed CSAC-related work in San Benito and Monterey counties, and noted he will attend the upcoming Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG) meeting.

**Recess/Reconvene**

The Chairperson recessed the regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. to return to closed session and reconvened the meeting in open session at 3:56 p.m. with all Board members present.

**Report on Closed Session**

County Counsel Vallejo reported that the Board met under item Nos. 4 through 8 and said that no action was taken during closed session that is required to be reported.

**Adjournment**

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 3:56 p.m. to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, November 4, 2025, in the County Administrative Center in Independence.

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Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

Attest: *DENELLE CARRINGTON*  
*Interim Clerk of the Board*

by: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Darcy Israel, Assistant*



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## AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

November 4, 2025

Reference ID:  
2025-697

### Request from Inyo Council for the Arts for Partnership Declaration Outside Agency ACTION REQUIRED

#### ITEM SUBMITTED BY

Inyo Council for the Arts

#### ITEM PRESENTED BY

Assistant Clerk of the Board

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve Resolution No. 2025-43, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California Designating Inyo Council for the Arts as a California State Arts Council Partner to Inyo County," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

#### BACKGROUND / SUMMARY / JUSTIFICATION:

Inyo Council for the Arts (ICA) continues to receive funding from the California Arts Council (CAC) for a variety of programs and services in Inyo County.

As a formality, the CAC requires that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors pass a resolution designating Inyo Council for the Arts as a county partner to the California Arts Council for the State and Local Partners grant. Dates covered by this resolution/grant are October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026.

The Board of Supervisors has been granting this request for approximately the last 15 years.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact with this request.

#### ALTERNATIVES AND/OR CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Board can decline to grant the request.

#### OTHER DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

Thriving Communities | Community Revitalization Through Effective Planning

#### APPROVALS:

Darcy Israel

Created/Initiated - 10/13/2025

Darcy Israel  
John Vallejo  
Denelle Carrington

Approved - 10/22/2025  
Approved - 10/24/2025  
Final Approval - 10/27/2025

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution - Inyo Council for the Arts

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

***A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California Designating  
Inyo Council for the Arts as a California Arts Council Partner  
to Inyo County***

***Whereas***, The California Arts Council and the California State Legislature have established a State-Local Partnership Program designed to encourage local cultural tourism, arts education and awareness, and to reach previously underserved constituents; and

***Whereas***, in Inyo County the Inyo Council for the Arts has been the organization which has been designated to administer program funds; and

***Whereas***, the California Arts Council has requested that Inyo Council for the Arts again be designated a State Council partner to Inyo County; and

***Now, therefore, be it resolved***, that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors designates the Inyo Council for the Arts as a partner to the California Arts Council for the grant period of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026.

***Passed and Adopted*** by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2025 by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

Attest: Denelle Carrington,  
Interim Clerk of the Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant Clerk of the Board



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## AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

November 4, 2025

Reference ID:  
2025-708

### Water Meter Purchase Public Works ACTION REQUIRED

#### ITEM SUBMITTED BY

Katie Paterson, Engineering Assistant

#### ITEM PRESENTED BY

Michael Errante, Public Works Director

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$543,933.61 payable to Core & Main LP of Lancaster, CA for the purchase of Kamstrup Water Meters, subject to County Counsel and Auditor review and approval as to form.

#### BACKGROUND / SUMMARY / JUSTIFICATION:

This purchase order will allow Public Works Water Systems to acquire 875 Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and Automated Meter Reading (AMR) water meters, ranging in size from 1 inch to 6 inches. These meters will be installed within the Inyo County Water Systems service boundaries in the towns of Laws, Independence, and Lone Pine.

On September 23, 2025, the Inyo County Board of Supervisors awarded a contract to Four Point Engineering for the installation of all 875 water meters. This smart meter project will be a step toward modernizing the County's water infrastructure, enabling accurate measurements of individual water usage and allowing for efficient monitoring of the town's overall water demand.

On September 23, 2025, Inyo County Water Systems advertised a Request for Proposal to purchase 875 Kamstrup AMI/AMR water meters ranging in size from 1 inch to 6 inches. On October 6, 2025, one bid was received:

Bidder  
Core & Main LP

Bid Amount  
\$543,933.61

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

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| <b>Funding Source</b> | Grant Funded — Eastern California Water Association (State Funding) | <b>Budget Unit</b>  | 152200 |
| <b>Budgeted?</b>      | Yes                                                                 | <b>Object Code</b>  | 5173   |
| <b>Recurrence</b>     | One Time Expenditure                                                | <b>Sole Source?</b> | Yes    |

If Sole Source, provide justification below

#### Current Fiscal Year Impact

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| Up to \$543,933.61 for the fiscal year 2025-2026 |
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| <b>Future Fiscal Year Impacts</b> |
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| N/A |
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| <b>Additional Information</b> |
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**ALTERNATIVES AND/OR CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

The board could choose not to award a purchase order to Core & Main. This is not recommended. On September 23, 2025, the Board of Supervisors approved a contract with Four Point Engineering to remove the aging analog water meters and install all 875 new meters.

**OTHER DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

**High Quality Services** | Improved County Facilities

**APPROVALS:**

|                    |                                |
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| Katie Paterson     | Created/Initiated - 10/21/2025 |
| Darcy Israel       | Approved - 10/21/2025          |
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**ATTACHMENTS:**



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## AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

November 4, 2025

Reference ID:  
2025-579

### Bonanza Peak Solar Project Community Update Planning Department NO ACTION REQUIRED

#### ITEM SUBMITTED BY

Cynthia Draper, Assistant Planner

#### ITEM PRESENTED BY

Bonanza Peak Solar

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive an update on the Bonanza Peak Solar Project.

#### BACKGROUND / SUMMARY / JUSTIFICATION:

The applicant, Bonanza Peak Solar, will present an update to the Board of Supervisors and the public regarding the proposed 2,400-acre, 500MW photovoltaic solar project in Charleston View. The presentation will cover the scope of the project, its current status, potential environmental and community impacts, and the anticipated construction timeline.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There are no fiscal impacts associated with this agenda item.

#### ALTERNATIVES AND/OR CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

N/A

#### OTHER DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

Not Applicable

#### APPROVALS:

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Darcy Israel  
Cathreen Richards  
Cynthia Draper  
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Approved - 10/21/2025  
Final Approval - 10/22/2025

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Bonanza Peak Solar Presentation 11.2025

A close-up, angled view of several rows of dark blue solar panels with silver grid lines, set against a bright blue background.

# **BONANZA PEAK SOLAR PROJECT COMMUNITY UPDATE**

November 4, 2025

- Over 2 GW of projects in construction or operation
- 14 years of experience in North American utility-scale photovoltaic (PV) project development
- Currently developing over 10,000 MW of solar PV projects, including some of the largest projects in North America
- Headquartered in Irvine, California and Houston, Texas

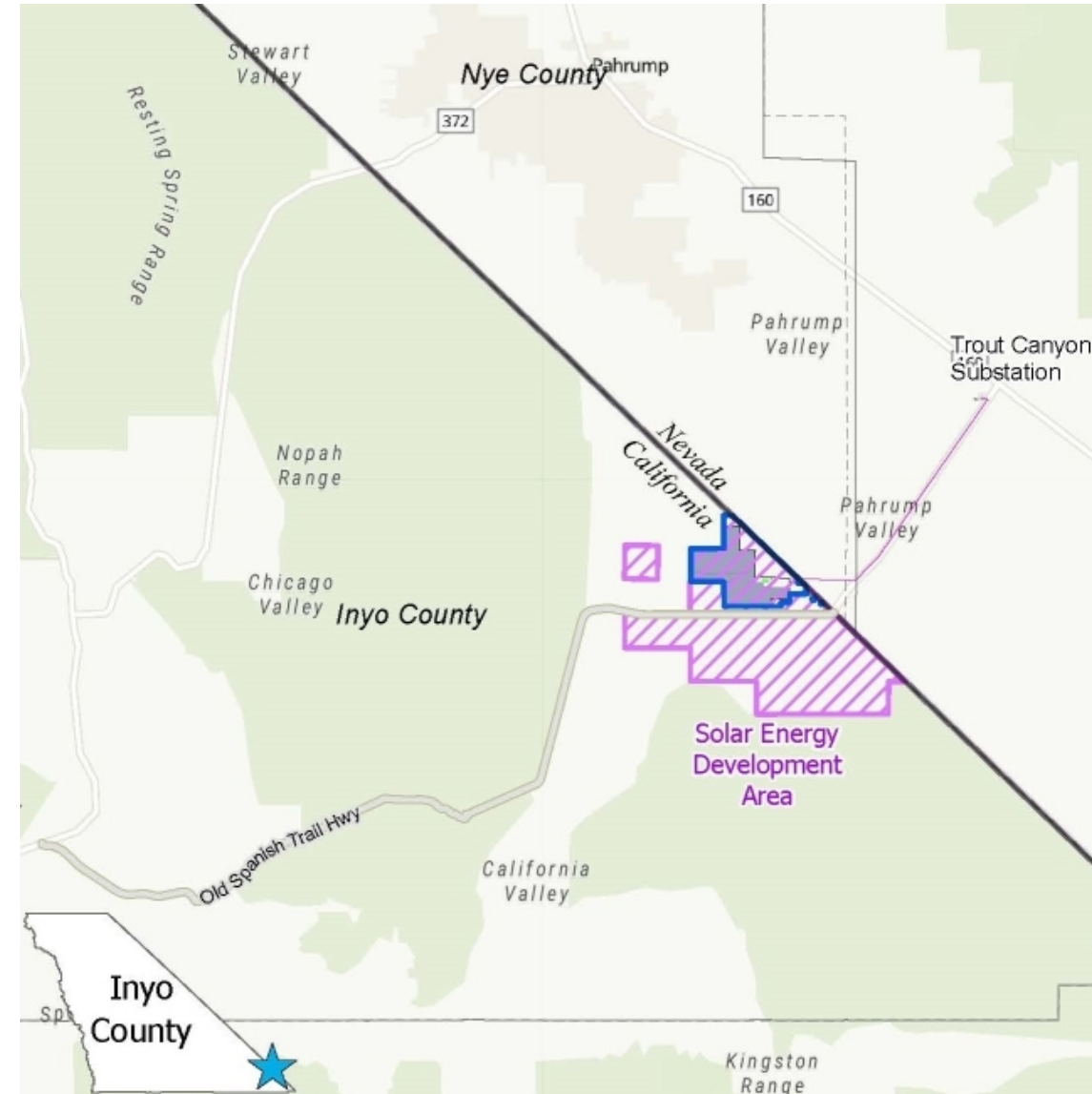
# Project Overview

Overview: Up to 500 MW solar PV power on up to 2,400 acres of privately-owned land in Inyo County's Charleston View Solar Energy Development Area (SEDA)

Point of Grid Interconnection: Trout Canyon switchyard in Nevada via a new 9-mile transmission line on BLM land

Access: Construction access from Nevada Route 160 to Tecopa Road/Old Spanish Trail Highway. Traffic will then turn north onto Zircon Street which will be improved to support construction traffic. This route will also be used once the Project is operational.

Timeline: County permit application submitted in July 2024. Followed by ~ 12 - 18 month CEQA analysis. Targeting Q1 of 2027 construction start and complete in approximately 18 months, in one or more phases

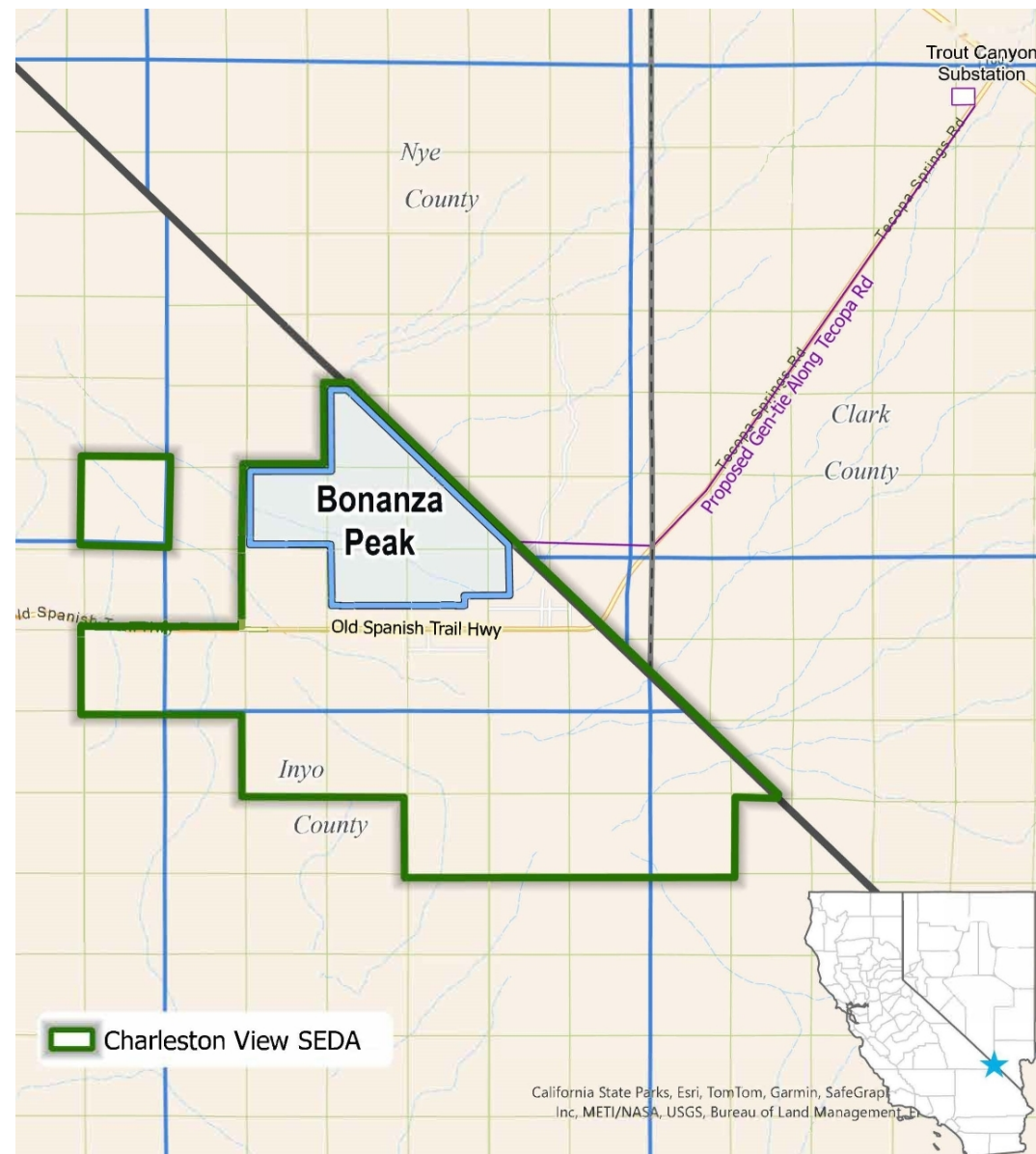


## Project Update

- Through outreach and County coordination, we learned that the battery energy storage system (BESS) originally proposed as part of the Project had led to concerns about potential fire safety related to a BESS
- To strengthen community and County confidence in the Project, the BESS was removed and is no longer proposed

# Charleston View SEDA

- The Charleston View SEDA is an unincorporated area zoned for PV solar and specifically chosen by the County for this purpose
- Project will adhere to the SEDA's requirements to:
  - ✓ Develop no more than 2,400 acres of development and 500 MW of solar capacity
  - ✓ Be water sustainable and replace water used from the aquifer (1:1 ratio) by purchasing and retiring equivalent water rights
  - ✓ Consider visual impacts from Old Spanish Trail Highway (closest arrays are ~1,300 feet away)
  - ✓ Avoid and protect the Old Spanish Trail historic feature

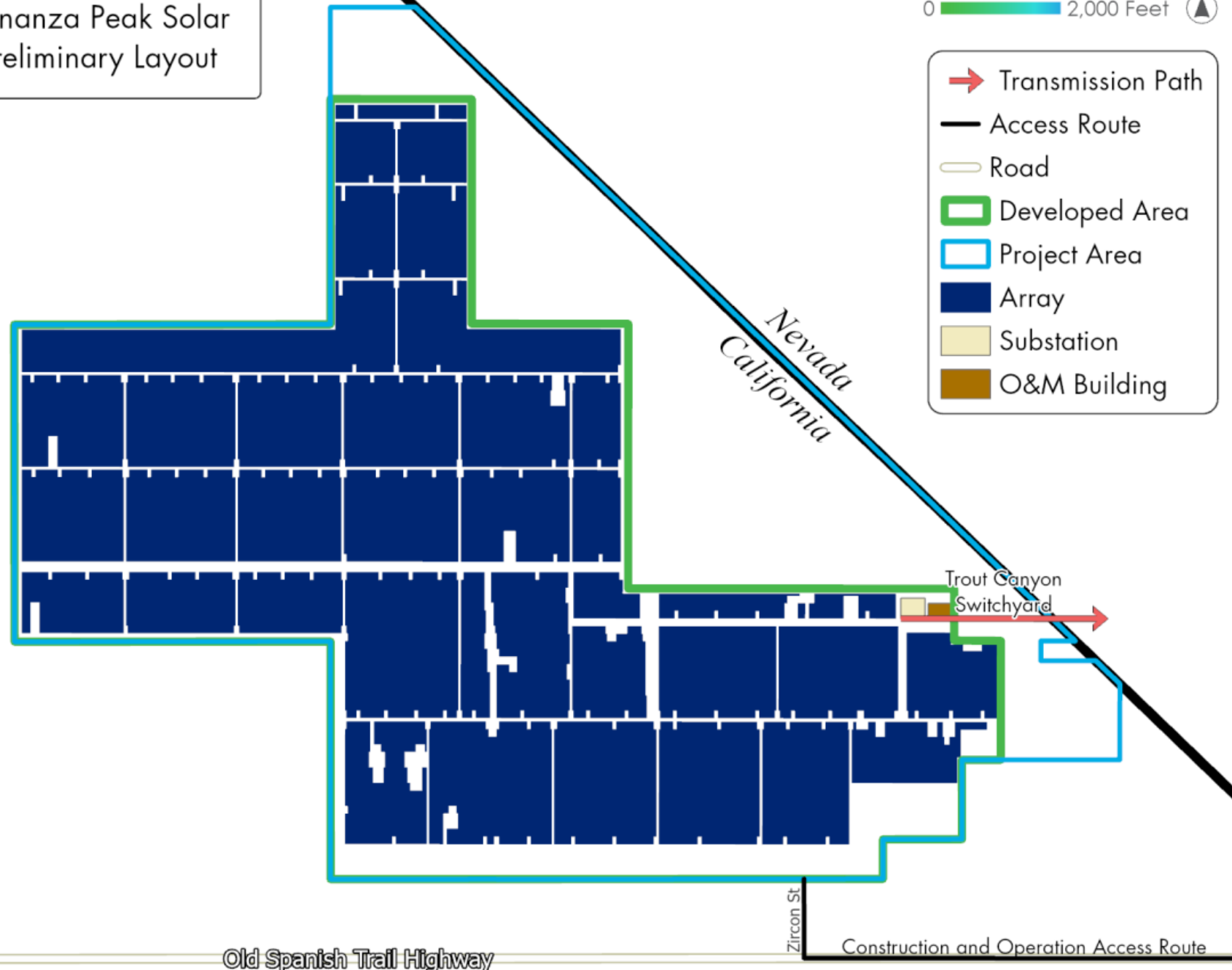


## Bonanza Peak Solar Project

# Bonanza Peak Solar Preliminary Layout

0 2,000 Feet

- Transmission Path
- Access Route
- Road
- Developed Area
- Project Area
- Array
- Substation
- O&M Building



- PV solar modules on single-axis trackers
- Overhead and underground electric collection lines
- Inverters and transformers
- Substation
- O&M building
- Power plant controls and monitoring
- Fencing and access roads

## Agency Analysis

- The County-led CA Environmental Quality Act process will include Project-specific environmental, social, and economic impact analysis
- The BLM-led National Environmental Policy Act will address impacts related to the transmission line from the project to the Trout Canyon substation in Nevada
- Consultation is occurring with CA Fish & Wildlife and US Fish & Wildlife to obtain applicable authorizations and identify environmental protection measures and mitigation related to special status wildlife
- Project will obtain a water discharge permit from the local water quality board

## Project Considerations

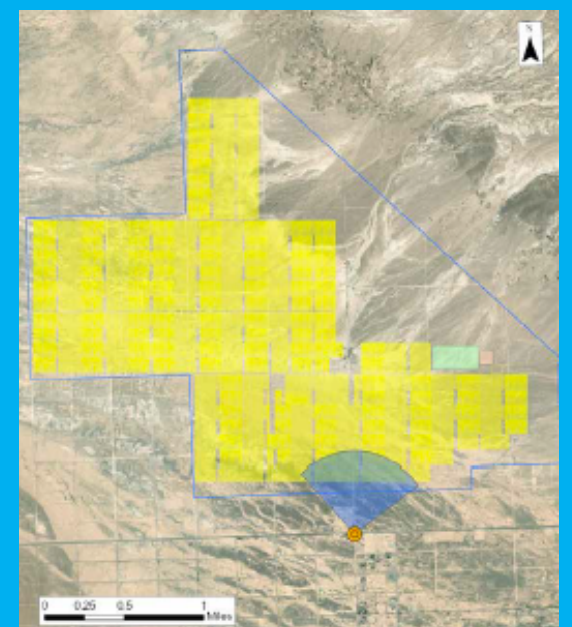
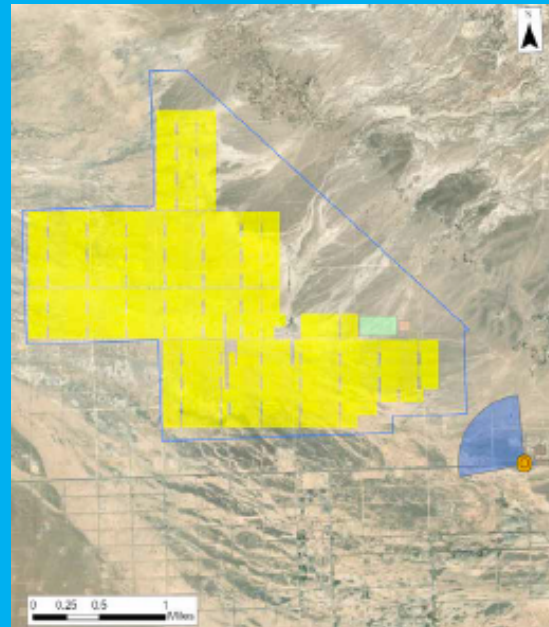
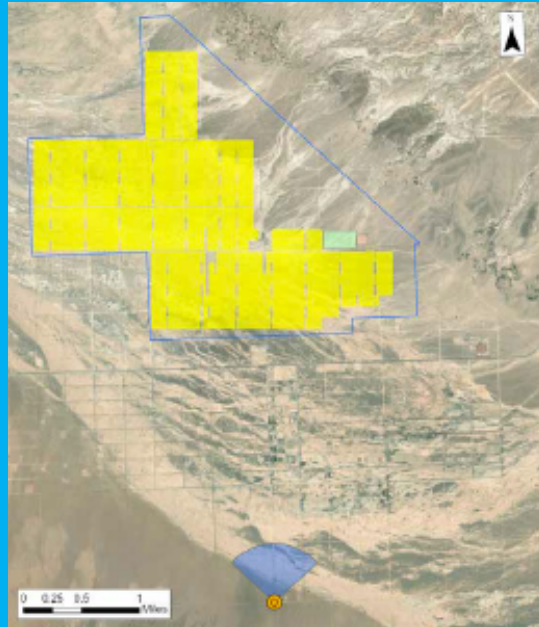
- Grading of the terrain will be limited, and likely to occur at the substation area and O&M building parking
- Water for construction and operations will come from existing wells provided by the Project landowner
- Construction dust will be minimized by having gravel on all Project roads and applying water as needed during construction
- Solar panel washing is not contemplated; this will minimize water use during operations
- Workers are expected to generally come from housing in Nevada, due to availability and proximity to the Project Area
- Ongoing Charleston View landowner and local stakeholder engagement

## Community Benefits

- The Project will include support for a new Southern Inyo Fire District facility in Charleston View
- This support will consist of land for the facility, plus financial support for the construction and equipment
- Discussion with the County is ongoing, and other benefits may be identified
- Community benefits will be included as either a condition of the Renewable Energy Permit, or in a Renewable Energy Development Agreement

## Visual Resources

- Glare modeling indicates no glare will be generated at any of 12 key observation points
- Visual simulations were prepared for four locations around the Project:





**EXISTING CONDITIONS**

# Bonanza Peak Energy Project

Bonanza Peak Solar, LLC

## KOP 1

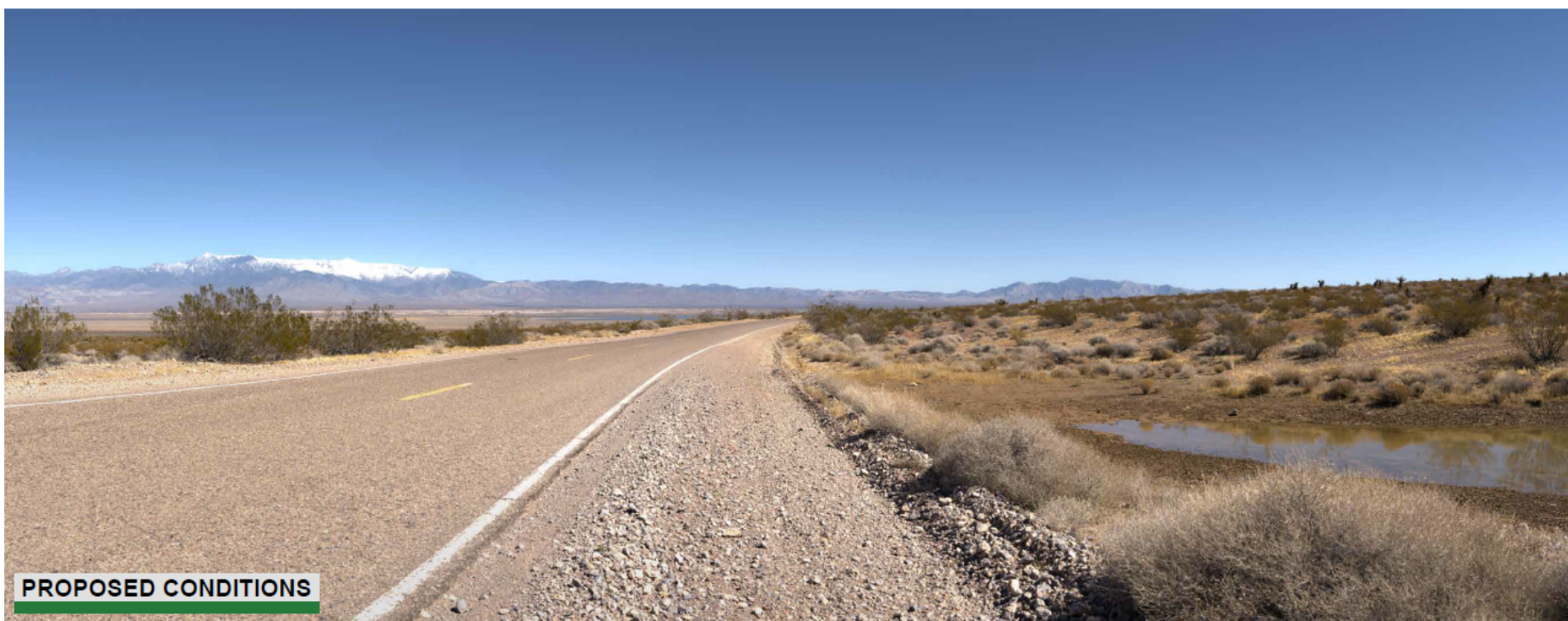
Old Spanish Trail Hwy

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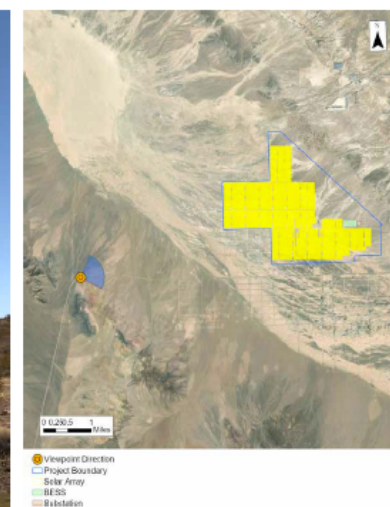
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Distance to closest proposed feature: 1.4 miles



**PROPOSED CONDITIONS**



Note: Project components illustrated are based on proposed preliminary designs. The images contained on this page show the proposed project within a wider landscape context and are not representative of scale and distance when viewed from the actual view point.



**EXISTING CONDITIONS**

# Bonanza Peak Energy Project

Bonanza Peak Solar, LLC

## KOP 3

Old Spanish Trail Hwy

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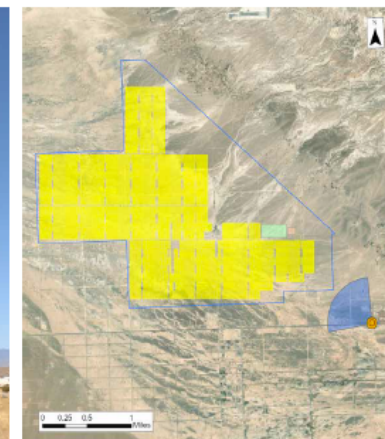
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Viewing Direction: Northwest

Distance to closest proposed feature: 0.8 miles



**YELLOW: PARTIALLY OR FULLY HIDDEN PROJECT INFRASTRUCTURE**



- Viewpoint Direction
- ▭ Project Boundary
- ▭ Solar Array
- ▭ BESS
- ▭ Infrastructure

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**EXISTING CONDITIONS**

# Bonanza Peak Energy Project

Bonanza Peak Solar, LLC

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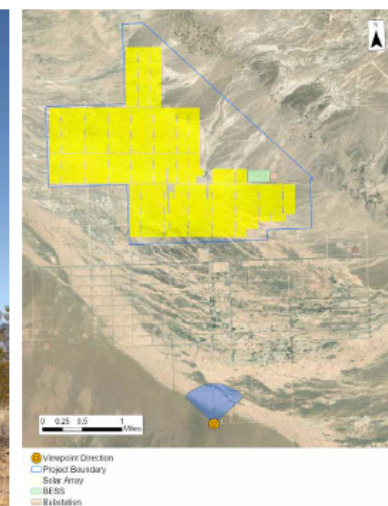
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Distance to closest proposed feature: 2.3 miles



**PROPOSED CONDITIONS**



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EXISTING CONDITIONS

# Bonanza Peak Energy Project

Bonanza Peak Solar, LLC

## KOP 4

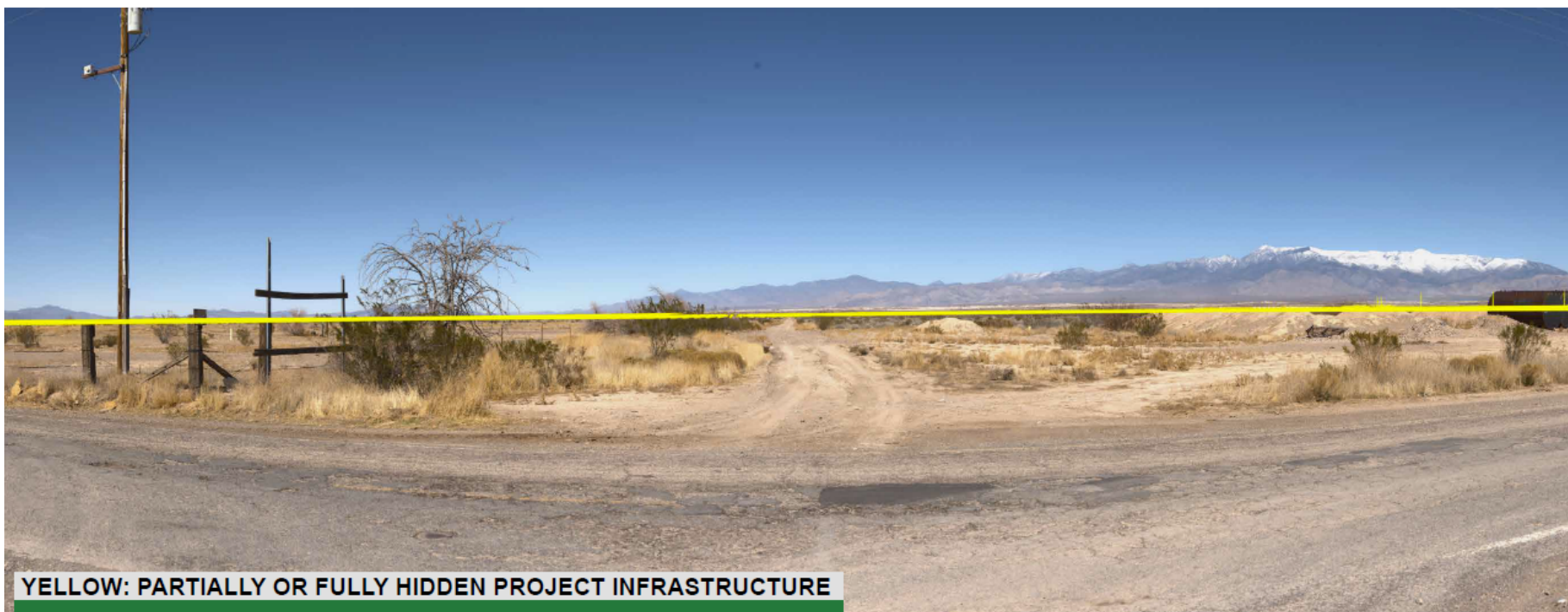
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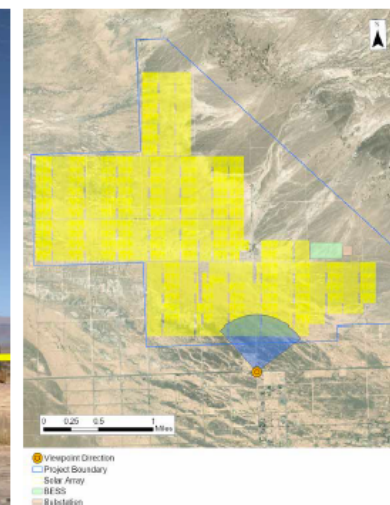
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Viewing Direction: North

Distance to closest proposed feature: 0.3 miles



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## Environmental Resources

- Desert tortoise surveys conducted in 2020, 2024, and 2025; the site has lower quality habitat for tortoise than other areas in the vicinity
- Plant surveys were conducted in spring and fall 2025; none of the plants detected are federally- or state-listed as threatened or endangered. Applicant is coordinating with CA Fish & Wildlife and Inyo County to incorporate results into the CEQA document
- A Class III Cultural Resources Inventory was conducted in 2025 and will help inform design; the Old Spanish Trail historic feature is not located within or adjacent to the site
- Previous hydrologic study indicated there is adequate groundwater for the Project's construction and operational needs, and drawdown to the aquifer would not occur at either nearby private domestic wells or Stump Spring



**Thank you!**



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## AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

November 4, 2025

Reference ID:  
2025-734

### Flippin-Hamrick Tecopa Campground Concessionaire Community Update and Introduction

County Administrator

NO ACTION REQUIRED

#### ITEM SUBMITTED BY

Meaghan McCamman, Deputy County  
Administrator

#### ITEM PRESENTED BY

Meaghan McCamman, Deputy County  
Administrator

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Be introduced to the new Tecopa Campground and Hot Springs Concessionaire.

#### BACKGROUND / SUMMARY / JUSTIFICATION:

On October 21, 2025, the Board approved a new Concession Agreement with Flippin-Hamrick LLC, who will serve as the new Concessionaire responsible for the management and operation of the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pools. Flippin-Hamrick LLC principals will attend this meeting to introduce themselves and talk about their plans for the facility.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

#### ALTERNATIVES AND/OR CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Board could elect not to receive an introduction and community update from the new Concessionaire. This is not recommended, as the Flippin-Hamrick Concessionaire will serve as partners in the management and operation of the County's Tecopa facilities.

#### OTHER DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

Thriving Communities | Quality Parks and Recreation Amenities

#### APPROVALS:

Meaghan McCamman  
Darcy Israel  
Amy Shepherd  
Keri Oney

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**ATTACHMENTS:**



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## AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

November 4, 2025

Reference ID:  
2025-736

### Rate Schedule to be Charged by the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pools

County Administrator

ACTION REQUIRED

#### ITEM SUBMITTED BY

Meaghan McCamman, Deputy County  
Administrator

#### ITEM PRESENTED BY

Meaghan McCamman, Deputy County  
Administrator

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve new rates as requested by and to be charged by Flippin-Hamrick, LLC for use of the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground & Pools.

#### BACKGROUND / SUMMARY / JUSTIFICATION:

On October 21, 2025, your Board entered into an agreement with Flippin-Hamrick, LLC, granting the concession to operate the County facility commonly known as Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pools. The terms of the agreement allow the Concessionaire to set the rates charged at the facility so long as the County approves those rates. That approval has historically been based on the charge being comparable with like charges at other similar operations.

Flippin-Hamrick, LLC put together a business plan to help ensure the solvency of its operation at the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pools. As a part of that business plan, the Flippin-Hamrick LLC is requesting approval of the rates set as set forth in Exhibit A. The proposed rates constitute an increase from what was charged under the previous Concessionaire, but are comparable with like charges at other facilities in the area. Therefore, it is recommended that your Board approve the requested increases outlined in Exhibit A.

For the Board's information, additional information regarding the change in rates over time at the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pools, and a survey of rates for nearby similar facilities is also attached to this agenda item.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Under the County's Concessionaire Agreement for the Tecopa Hot Springs Campground and Pools, the Concessionaire will remit a percentage of gross receipts to the County: 5% during the first two years of the agreement, 6% during years three and four, and 7% beginning in year five and thereafter. These funds will be reinvested by the County to enhance and maintain the facility. Accordingly, any increase in campground and pool fees has the potential to generate greater reinvestment, contributing to improved infrastructure, enhanced visitor experience, and long-term sustainability of the site.

#### **ALTERNATIVES AND/OR CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

Your Board could choose not to approve the new rates as proposed by the new Concessionaire. This is not advised, as the rates are comparable to the rates at similar facilities in the area and the Concessionaire believes they are necessary to help ensure the solvency of its operations.

#### **OTHER DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

Flippin-Hamrick, LLC

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

**Thriving Communities** | Quality Parks and Recreation Amenities

#### **APPROVALS:**

|                    |                                |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Meaghan McCamman   | Created/Initiated - 10/23/2025 |
| Darcy Israel       | Approved - 10/24/2025          |
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| Amy Shepherd       | Approved - 10/24/2025          |
| John Vallejo       | Approved - 10/27/2025          |
| Denelle Carrington | Final Approval - 10/27/2025    |

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Exhibit A Proposed Pricing
2. Exhibit B Tecopa Fees Overtime Comparison
3. Exhibit C 2025 Other Facility Comparison

# Tecopa Hot Springs & Campground — 2025 Rates

## Soaking Passes

Daily: \$15.00 per person

Weekly: \$75.00 per person

Monthly: \$250.00 per person

Tribal Members Free Tribal ID

All Locals free with annual ID of  
\$35.00. need to apply at

[admin@tecopahotspringsandcampground.com](mailto:admin@tecopahotspringsandcampground.com)

## Tent Camping

(Includes two soaking wristbands)

Daily: \$40.00 per night (1 car, 2 people)

Weekly: \$235.00

Monthly: \$950.00

## RV Sites

(Includes two soaking wristbands)

Dry Camping: \$45.00 per night

Electric Hookup (up to 30 ft): \$55.00 per night (1 RV, 1 vehicle, 2 people)

Electric Hookup (up to 37 ft): \$65.00 per night

Weekly Rates:

- Dry Camp: \$315.00

- Electric: \$395.00

Monthly Rates:

- Dry Camp: \$1,350.00

- Electric: \$1,500.00

## Additional Charges

Daily Electric RV Utility Fee: \$10.00

EV Charging (per 4 hours): \$12.00

Extra Vehicle: \$5.00 per day

Extra Person: \$8.00 per day

## Premium & Holiday Rates

A 25% upcharge applies during special events and holidays, based on availability.

Electrical charges may change based on providers increases.

**EXHIBIT B**  
**TECOPA HOT SPRINGS CAMPGROUND AND POOLS**

| Description                                                                                     | Rate<br>2017 | Rate<br>2023      | New rate<br>2025 | Rate Change       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Bath Pass (only)                                                                                |              |                   |                  |                   |
| Daily                                                                                           | \$9.00       | \$10.00           | \$15.00          | \$5.00            |
| Weekly                                                                                          | \$63.00      | \$65.00           | \$75.00          | \$10.00           |
| Monthly                                                                                         | \$270.00     | \$200.00          | \$250.00         | \$50.00           |
| Tent Camping (includes 2 soaking wristbands)                                                    |              |                   |                  |                   |
| Daily Tent                                                                                      | \$19.00      | \$21.00           | \$40.00          | \$19.00           |
| Weekly Tent                                                                                     | \$133.00     | \$117.60          | \$235.00         | \$117.40          |
| Monthly Tent                                                                                    | \$570.00     | \$409.50          | \$950.00         | \$540.50          |
| Daily RV (includes 2 soaking wristbands)                                                        |              |                   |                  |                   |
| Dry Camping                                                                                     | \$21.00      | \$23.00           | \$45.00          | \$22.00           |
| Electric Hookup Large                                                                           | \$26.00      | \$29.00           | \$55.00          | \$26.00           |
| Electric Hookup XL                                                                              | \$28.00      | \$31.00           | \$65.00          | \$34.00           |
| Weekly RV (includes 2 soaking wristbands)                                                       |              |                   |                  |                   |
| Dry Camping                                                                                     | \$112.00     | \$128.00          | \$315.00         | \$187.00          |
| Electric Hookup Large/XL                                                                        | \$147-\$161  | \$ 170-182        | \$395.00         | \$225-\$213       |
| Monthly RV (includes 2 soaking wristbands)                                                      |              |                   |                  |                   |
| Dry Camping                                                                                     | \$240.00     | \$448.00          | \$1,350.00       | \$902.00          |
| Electric Hookup Large/XL                                                                        | \$340-\$350  | \$628.50-\$667.50 | \$1,500.00       | \$871.50-\$832.50 |
| Daily Electricity                                                                               | \$3.00       | \$6.00            | \$10.00          | \$3.00 per day    |
| Electric Veh chg                                                                                |              | \$7.00            | \$12.00          | \$5.00            |
| Extra Vehicles                                                                                  | \$5.00       | \$5.00            | \$5.00           | \$0.00            |
| Extra persons                                                                                   | \$5.00       | \$8.00            | \$8.00           | \$3.00 per day    |
| *Tribal members are free with a valid Tribal ID                                                 |              |                   |                  |                   |
| * Local residents will receive a soaking fee waiver with an annual registration fee of \$35.000 |              |                   |                  |                   |

| <b>Other Area Hot Springs</b>    | <b>Bath Fees</b>             |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Tecopa Palms Therapeutic         |                              |
| Day Pass                         | \$30                         |
| Senior/military Day Pass (62+)   | \$35                         |
|                                  |                              |
| Death Valley (formerly Delights) |                              |
| Day Pass (M-Th)                  | \$25                         |
| Day Pass (Weekend)               | \$35                         |
|                                  |                              |
|                                  |                              |
|                                  |                              |
| <b>Other Area Campgrounds</b>    | <b>Camp Fees</b>             |
| Tecopa Palms Therapeutic         |                              |
| Dry Camp (no soaking)            | \$20 per person              |
| Dry Camp (with soak)             | \$40 per person (\$80 for 2) |
| Hookup RV (with soak)            | \$45/\$40 additional person  |
| Monthly Hookup RV (with soak)    | \$800 for one, \$1200 for 2  |
|                                  |                              |
| Tecopa Hot Springs Resort        |                              |
| Tent Camping (Su-Th)             | \$35                         |
| Tent Camping (Weekend)           | \$45                         |
| Tent Weekly                      | \$175                        |
| Tent Monthly                     | \$350                        |
| RV (Su-Th)                       | \$45                         |
| RV (Weekend)                     | \$55                         |
| RV Weekly                        | \$250                        |
| RV Monthly                       | \$600                        |



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## AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

November 4, 2025

Reference ID:  
2025-743

### **ADDENDUM - 11A)** Resolution in Support of Amargosa Basin National Monument Community Organization/Outside Agency ACTION REQUIRED

#### ITEM SUBMITTED BY

Friends of the Amargosa Basin

#### ITEM PRESENTED BY

Executive Director Cameron Mayer

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

A) Receive an update from the Friends of the Amargosa Basin; and B) Approve Resolution No. 2025-44, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, in Support of the Establishment of the Proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

#### BACKGROUND / SUMMARY / JUSTIFICATION:

The Friends of the Amargosa Basin, a nonprofit organization with 501c3 status, was incorporated with the primary goal of achieving monument status for the Amargosa Basin. The group recently approached Administration about the Board officially endorsing the proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument through resolution, which is attached.

The Friends group further provided the following information in support of its request:

"This resolution in support of the proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument is the culmination of several years of outreach across Inyo County and beyond. It is intended to establish a foundation for further engagement by the County of Inyo, Tribal Nations, community members, and other interested parties in the process of gaining a land status change for public lands of the Amargosa Basin. It identifies important and unique qualities of the Amargosa Basin that make this area deserving of a national monument designation, while making a meaningful effort to address local concerns, including those related to the continuation of existing uses, recreational access, private property rights, and a sustainable economic future for southeast Inyo County. This resolution states that protection of landscapes and wildlife goes hand in hand with economic sustainability and community empowerment. It will set the stage for collaborative work with our elected representatives with a bottom-up approach that will effect positive change for current and future generations."

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

#### ALTERNATIVES AND/OR CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Decline to approve the resolution or request changes.

**OTHER DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

None.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

**Thriving Communities** | Climate Resilience and Natural Resource Protection  
**Economic Enhancement** | Collaborative Regional Economic Development

**APPROVALS:**

|                    |                                |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Darcy Israel       | Created/Initiated - 10/29/2025 |
| Darcy Israel       | Approved - 10/29/2025          |
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**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution - Proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument
2. Proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument Boundaries

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-44**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF INYO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED AMARGOSA BASIN NATIONAL MONUMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument encompasses public lands that are compelling and diverse in their existence, including wilderness areas, areas of critical environmental concern, the Amargosa Wild and Scenic River, and the Old Spanish National Historic Trail; and

**WHEREAS**, this special region is worth more than the sum of its individual designations, and should be managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) as a connected whole, at a landscape-scale, in perpetuity; and

**WHEREAS**, Death Valley National Park is a significant economic engine of the Inyo County economy, and an Amargosa Basin National Monument would be a natural complement to the economic sustainability of this area while, at the same time protecting an adjacent iconic landscape; and

**WHEREAS**, it is understood that a national monument designation under the management of the BLM is a distinct form of designation from a national park managed by the National Park Service (NPS). A national monument designation exhibits less stringent, more inclusive management with respect to allowable existing uses of the land, as well as empowering tribal and local future management; and

**WHEREAS**, these lands are the ancestral territories of the Newe (Timbisha Shoshone), and Nuwu/Nuwuvi (Chemehuevi / Southern Paiute) peoples; and

**WHEREAS**, these ancestral homelands contain cultural sites and resources that are an inextricable part of the life stories of native peoples, and should be afforded a higher level of protection than that which currently exists. Further, customary and traditional uses of the landscape ought to be permanently protected and/or reserved; and

**WHEREAS**, the Salt Song Trail is a culturally significant spiritual corridor to the Southern Paiute and Chemehuevi peoples. This corridor is marked by sacred places and salt songs that accompany the journey, a portion of which is within the public lands of the proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal of an Amargosa Basin National Monument will benefit the land and people, better manage the land in perpetuity, provide a sustainable future and preserve rural quality of life for residents of southeast Inyo County. A prospective designation will broadly be for the benefit of current and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, the highlighting of importance that accompanies a national monument status stands to economically benefit the County of Inyo and local communities of the Amargosa Basin through increased regional, national, and international media attention, along with sustainable ecotourism initiatives to manage prospective impacts from visitation; and

**WHEREAS**, the prospect of a national monument for the Amargosa Basin carries with it the permanent preservation of public access to public lands for recreational opportunities, such as hiking, backpacking, off-highway vehicle use on authorized routes and lands, horseback riding, sightseeing, climbing, mountain biking, nature study, birding, hunting, target shooting where appropriate, dispersed camping, rockhounding, and others, all of which are important to the travel and tourism-based economy of the region; and

**WHEREAS**, any proposed public land designation in Inyo County, including the Amargosa Basin National Monument proposal, shall respect valid existing rights, such as those related to private property ownership, existing and future tribal trust lands, state lands, existing leases or claims, rights of way, and easements. Private property and activities contained within shall not be infringed upon, and any designations occurring on nearby public land shall not grant public access to private lands; and,

**WHEREAS**, the educational, historic, and scientific value of the proposed monument is unique and irreplaceable, captured in numerous geological, biological, historical, cultural, and geographical studies; and,

**WHEREAS**, the cooperative partnerships being created and bottom-up approach taken by the proponents of the proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument are both recognized and supported as a truly democratic methodology for public lands advocacy in Inyo County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors hereby affirms its support for elected decision-makers at the federal and state levels working with local leaders, Tribal Nations, and community members to establish the proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Inyo County Board of Supervisors hereby directs the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of this resolution to the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors, U.S. Representative Kevin Kiley, U.S. Representative Jay Obernolte, U.S. Senator Alex Padilla, and U.S. Senator Adam Schiff.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the Inyo County Board of Supervisors this 4th day of November 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

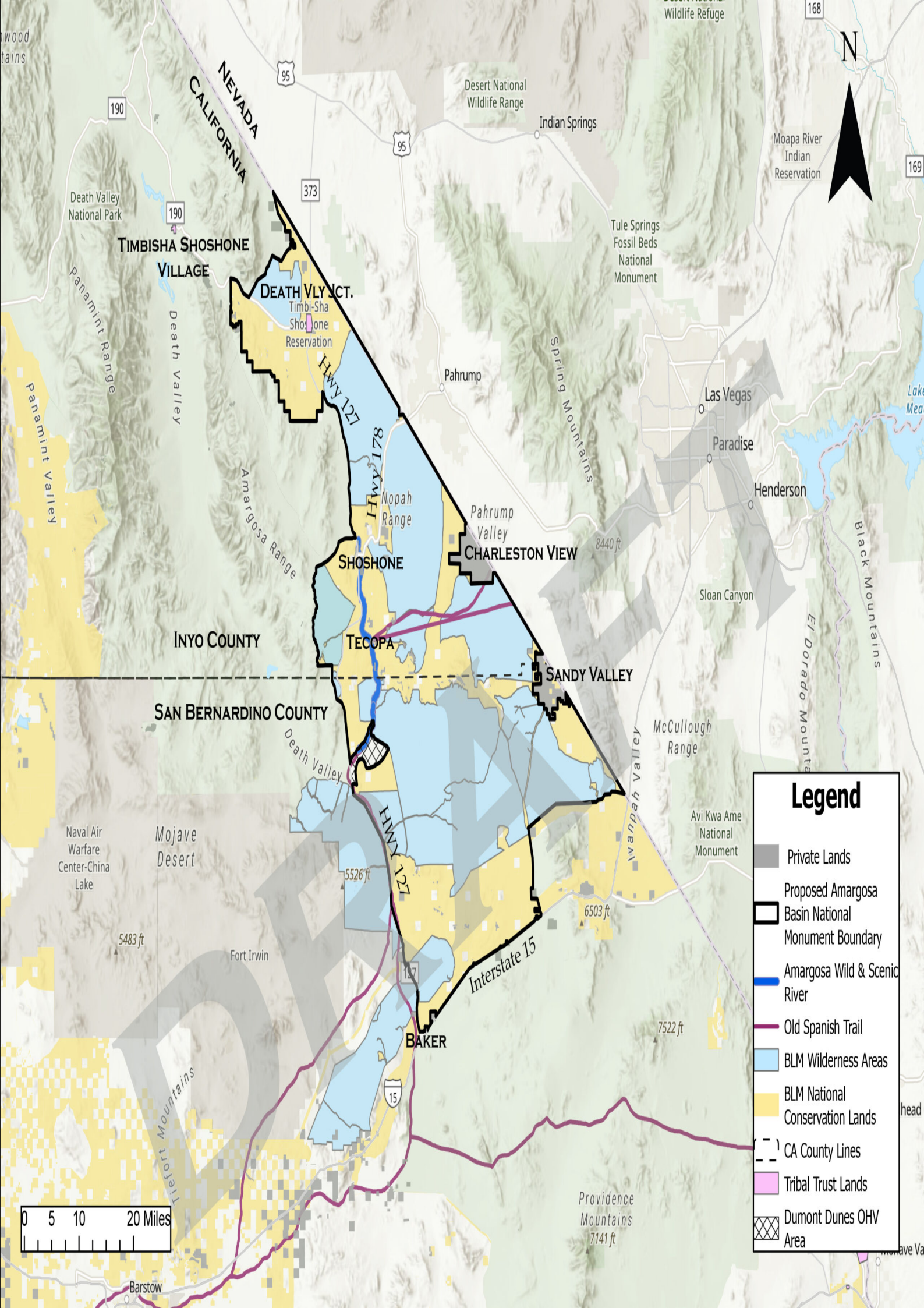
ABSTAIN:

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Chairperson, Inyo County Board of Supervisors

Attest: Denelle Carrington,  
Interim Clerk of the Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assistant Clerk of the Board



## Legend

- Private Lands
- Proposed Amargosa Basin National Monument Boundary
- Amargosa Wild & Scenic River
- Old Spanish Trail
- BLM Wilderness Areas
- BLM National Conservation Lands
- CA County Lines
- Tribal Trust Lands
- Dumont Dunes OHV Area