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AGENDA

Board of Supervisors Room - County Administrative Center
224 North Edwards, Independence, California

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REGULAR MEETING

March 17, 2026
8:30 A.M.

- 1) **Public Comment on Closed Session Item(s)**
Comments will be accepted at this time related strictly to items on the Closed Session portion of the agenda. Comments will be limited to three minutes.

CLOSED SESSION

- 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 – County Administrative Officer David Fraser, Assistant County Administrative Officer Denelle Carrington, Assistant Personnel Director Keri Oney, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, and Assistant County Counsel Christy Milovich.
- 3) **Existing Litigation – Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code §54956.9** – Name of case: *City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power of the City of Los Angeles v. Inyo County Board of Supervisors, et al.* Inyo County Superior Court Case No. 12908
- 4) **Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: County Counsel.

- 5) **Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957 – Title: Planning Director.**
- 6) **Public Employment – Pursuant to Government Code §54957 – Title: Planning Director.**
- 7) **Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957 – Title: Eastern Sierra Child Support Director**
- 8) **Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957 – Title: County Administrator.**

OPEN SESSION

(With the exception of timed items, which cannot be heard prior to their scheduled time, all open-session items may be considered at any time and in any order during the meeting in the Board's discretion.)

- 10 A.M.**
- 9) **Pledge of Allegiance**
 - 10) **Report on Closed Session as Required by Law**
 - 11) **Public Comment**
Comments will be accepted at this time related to subjects not included on the agenda. Comments will be limited to three minutes. Per the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board is prohibited from responding to or taking action on items not included on the agenda.
 - 12) **Introductions** -The following new employees will be introduced to the Board:
 - **Public Works:** Groundskeeper Carlos Castillo, Engineer Associate Joan Hoek, Road Maintenance Worker Gabriel Mesquitez, Compliance and Project Manager Richard Shore, and Solid Waste Maintenance Worker Jaden Wilson.
 - 13) **Board Member Reports**
The Board will provide updates on recent or upcoming meetings, important issues discussed or to be discussed at those meetings, and any projects being explored.
 - 14) **County Department Reports**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 15) **Approval of Minutes from the Regular March 3 Board of Supervisors Meeting**
Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board

Recommended Action:
Approve the minutes from the regular March 3, 2026 Board of Supervisors

meeting.

16) Proposed Fiscal Year 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program Application and Resolution

County Administrator - Emergency Services | Lisa Cox

Recommended Action:

Review the proposed Fiscal Year 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program Application and, if deemed acceptable:

- A) Approve the submittal of the Fiscal Year 2025 EMPG Program Application and authorize the County Administrator, as the designated Authorized Agent, to sign the grant application, as well as any and all accompanying documents, by approving the "Governing Body Resolution (No. 2026-09);" and
- B) Authorize the Chairperson to sign the resolution and resolution addendum letter.

17) Memorandums of Understanding to Renew Coverage for the 2026-2027 Coverage Term and Beyond for Master Crime Insurance Program, Cyber Liability Program, Pollution Liability Insurance Program, and Optional Excess Liability Insurance Program

County Administrator - Risk Management | Aaron Holmberg

Recommended Action:

Approve the program-specific memorandums of understanding (MOUs) as required to renew coverage for the 2026-2027 coverage term and beyond for Master Crime Insurance Program, Cyber Liability Program, Pollution Liability Insurance Program, and Optional Excess Liability Insurance Program, between the County of Inyo and Public Risk Innovation, Solutions, and Management (PRISM) of Folsom, CA, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets and continued purchase on an annual basis of these programs, and authorize the Chairperson to sign all four MOUs.

18) Modification of the Inyo County Groundwater Transfer Ordinance

County Counsel | John Vallejo

Recommended Action:

- A) Approve Ordinance 1327, titled, "An Ordinance of the Inyo County Board of Supervisors Adding Chapter 7.02 of the Inyo County Code to Regulate the Transfer or Transport of Water from Groundwater Basins Located Wholly or Partially Within Inyo County, and Suspending Inyo County Ordinance No. 1004 (Chapter 18.77 of the Inyo County Code);" and
- B) Approve Resolution No. 2026-07, titled, "A Resolution of the Inyo County Board of Supervisors Modifying Resolution 99-43 to Expand the Water Commission's Duties and Authority to Include Reviewing and Deciding Upon Applications For A Water Transfer or Transport Permit Pursuant to Ordinance 1327," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

- 19) **Amendment No. 1 to the Contract between County of Inyo and Generations Health Care of Upland Skilled Nursing Facility LLC dba Heritage Park Nursing Center for the Provision of Hospital Inpatient Psychiatric Services**
Health & Human Services - Behavioral Health | Anna Scott

Recommended Action:

Approve Amendment No. 1 to the contract between the County of Inyo and Generations Health Care of Upland SNF, LLC, DBA Heritage Park Nursing Center for the provision of Hospital Inpatient Psychiatric Services, increasing the contract amount by \$62,000 to an amount not to exceed \$102,000 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and authorize the Health and Human Services Director to sign.

- 20) **Appointment of Benjamin Egan as Interim County Surveyor**

Public Works | Cap Aubrey

Recommended Action:

Appoint Benjamin Egan as Interim County Surveyor.

- 21) **Consideration of Waiver of Fees for Green Waste**

Public Works - Recycling & Waste Management | Cap Aubrey

Recommended Action:

Approve a Free Green Waste weekend for the public on March 21-22, 2026 at all County landfills.

- 22) **Adoption of High-Wind Operations and Temporary Closure Policy for Inyo County Landfills**

Public Works - Recycling & Waste Management | Richard Shore

Recommended Action:

Adopt the attached *High Wind Operations and Temporary Closure Policy* for the Inyo County Landfills and authorize the Public Works Director, Assistant Public Works Director, and Landfill Compliance Manager to implement the policy and make non-substantive administrative updates (contact numbers, signage, notification methods, etc.).

- 23) **Inyo County Road Department Auction of Vehicles and Equipment**

Public Works | Gordon Moose

Recommended Action:

- A) Declare the vehicles listed in Attachment 1 as surplus;
- B) Authorize the Road Department to offer the vehicles and equipment for sale utilizing the Public Surplus auction site; and
- C) Authorize any unsold vehicles and equipment to be disposed of as scrap metal.

24) Asphalt Purchase for Tecopa Road Repairs

Public Works | Gordon Moose

Recommended Action:

- A) Declare Granite Construction of Bakersfield, CA, the successful bidder for 640 Tons of Cold Mixed Asphalt per Bid No. RD25-09 in the total amount not to exceed \$113,512.00; and
- B) Authorize issuance of a purchase order payable to Granite Construction in an amount not to exceed \$113,512.00.

25) Resolution Substituting Officers Authorized to Direct Transfers of Tobacco Settlement Funds

Treasurer-Tax Collector | Christie Martindale

Recommended Action:

Approve Resolution No. 2026-10, titled, "Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California Substituting Officers Authorized to Direct Transfer of Tobacco Settlement Funds," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

REGULAR AGENDA

26) Financial and Operations Update from Southern Inyo Healthcare District

County Administrator | Dr. Kevin Flanigan
20 minutes

Recommended Action:

Receive an update on the current status of Southern Inyo Healthcare District's current financial status and operations.

27) Inyo Council for the Arts - State of the Arts Report

Community Organization/Outside Agency | Sharon Freilich - ICA
15 minutes

Recommended Action:

Receive the 2025 "State of the Arts" report from the Inyo Council for the Arts.

28) Report on Upcoming 2026 Mule Days Celebration

Community Organization | Bishop Mule Days
15 minutes

Recommended Action:

Receive a report on plans for the upcoming 2026 Bishop Mule Days Celebration and other news related to the event and organization.

29) Approval of Leases Between the County of Inyo and the Department of Water and Power of the City of Los Angeles

County Administrator | Denelle Carrington
10 minutes

Recommended Action:

Approve 13 leases with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power for airports, campgrounds, and parks, and authorize the Chairperson to initial Section 7.2.4 of each lease and sign each lease.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

30) Public Comment

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CORRESPONDENCE - INFORMATIONAL

31) Clerk-Recorder-Registrar of Voters - Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Election Security Improvements Grant

32) California Highway Patrol - Proposition 65 Report of Illegal (or Threatened Illegal Discharge) of Hazardous Waste on a State Highway