

**COACHELLA VALLEY MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY
Regular Meeting – November 14, 2016, 3:00 PM**

***73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Conference Room 115
Palm Desert, CA 92260***

Tele-conference location:
State Capitol, Room 1145
Sacramento, CA 95814

AGENDA

1.0 Call to Order & Introductions

2.0 Approval of September 12, 2016 Meeting Minutes (See Attachment 1.)

3.0 Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

At this time any member of the public may address the Governing Board on any item not on the agenda. The Board cannot take action on an item not on the agenda, but it can place it on the agenda for a future meeting. For items on the agenda, there will be an opportunity to speak when that item is heard. The Chair may limit the time for each speaker. Any written material may be submitted to the person taking minutes.

4.0 Closed Session

Pursuant to Government Code sections 11126 (a)(1), 11126 (e)(1) and 11126.3(a) the Board may hold a closed session to discuss and take possible action on personnel matters and or receive advice of counsel on pending or potential litigation. In addition, pursuant to Government Code section 11126 (c) 7 (A) the Board may meet in closed session with its negotiator prior to the purchase or sale of real property by or for the state body to give instructions to its negotiator regarding the price and terms of payment for the purchase or sale. Confidential memoranda related to these issues may be considered during such closed session discussions.

No closed session is scheduled.

5.0 Action items – public hearing (If there is any member of the public who wishes to address the Governing Board before action is taken, testimony from the public will be taken prior to a vote.)

5.1 Adoption of Resolution 2016-16 approving the initial study for the Coachella Valley trails development project, adopting the environmental assessment/mitigated negative declaration and mitigation monitoring and reporting program prepared for the project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, and approving the project. (See Attachment 2.)

- 5.2 Adoption of Resolution 2016-17 authorizing the Executive Director to apply for permits or licenses required by land owners for the use of land on which the Coachella Valley trails development project will be established as well as any necessary land use entitlements from local jurisdictions. (See Attachment 3.)
- 5.3 Adoption of Resolution 2016-18 approving a local assistance grant to the Friends of the Desert Mountains for the acquisition of approximately 20.0 acres of vacant land located in the Dos Palmas Conservation Area. (See Attachment 4.)
- 5.4 Adoption of Resolution 2016-19 approving a Proposition 1 local assistance grant to the City of Coachella for its 50th Avenue Stormwater improvements project. (See Attachment 5.)
- 5.5 Adoption of Resolution 2016-20 approving a Proposition 1 local assistance grant to the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians for its wetlands restoration and habitat rehabilitation project. (See Attachment 6.)
- 5.6 Adoption of Resolution 2016-21 approving a capital improvement grant to the Friends of the Palm Springs Mountains Angel Cove and Ship Rock fencing project. (See Attachment 7.)
- 5.7 Approval of meeting schedule for calendar year 2017. (See Attachment 8.)

6.0 Reports

- 6.1 Written reports from staff (See Attachment 9.)
 - Upcoming State Ethics Training Deadline on December 31, 2016
- 6.2 Executive Director Report.
 - Staffing Update
 - Proposition 1 third round of funding NOFA
 - Oswit Canyon Acquisition Discussions
- 6.3 Board Member comments and reports from Conservancy member agencies. This is an opportunity for any of the Governing Board Members to present a report on matters of interest regarding the agency he or she represents.

7.0 Adjourn to the January 9, 2016 meeting at 3:00 p.m.

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Anyone with questions about any item on the agenda may contact the Conservancy by phone at (760) 776-5026 or by visiting our office located at 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Suite 112, Palm Desert, CA 92260.