



North Coast Railroad Authority
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NORTH COAST RAILROAD AUTHORITY (NCRA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, March 11, 2009~ **10:30**
County of Humboldt Board of Supervisors Chambers
825 5th Street, Eureka
Humboldt County

DRAFT AGENDA

AGENDA NOTE

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. AGENDA APPROVAL

D. RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING DIRECTOR – John Woolley

E. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments will be limited to three minutes per person and not more than ten minutes per subject, so that everyone can be heard. "Public comment" time is limited to matters under the jurisdiction of the Authority that may not have been considered by the Authority previously and are not on the agenda. No action will be taken. Members of the public may also comment during specific agenda items when recognized by the Chair.

F. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

- 1. Ratification of April 15, 2009 Public Hearing Date for Russian River Division DEIR to be held at the Petaluma Community Center at 6:30 p.m.**
- 2. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Transfer of Operator Committee Responsibilities**

G. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Approval of Minutes - Regular Board Meeting – February 11, 2009**
- 2. Acceptance of Financial Statements – February 2009**
- 3. Approval of Warrants Issued - Agency 787010 – February 2009**
- 4. Approval of Warrants Issued - TCRP 787101 – February 2009**

5. Approval of CalCard Statements - February 2009

H. STAFF REPORTS

1. Executive Director – Mitch Stogner

- A. Draft EIR Schedule
- B. Draft Trail Guidelines Update
- C. SMART/NCRA Operating Agreement Meeting
- D. Economic Stimulus Funding
- E. Cities Appointment to NCRA Board of Directors

2. Project Manager – Dave Anderson

3. Legal Counsel - Chris Neary

I. OPERATOR REPORT

1. NWP Co. – John Williams

J. MATTERS FROM THE BOARD

K. CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Existing Litigation

Government Code 54956.9 (a)(four cases)

- a. NWPY v. NCRA – Arbitration Pending Before Resolution Remedies
- b. Humboldt Baykeeper v. Union Pacific, CUE VI, NCRA; US District Court Case # 06-02560 JSW
- c. McGarry, Lukes v. NCRA, Mendocino County Superior Court case # 52454
- d. Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation Government Code 54956.9 (a) (c) Hight v. NCRA, Mendocino Superior Court Case # 80240;

L. ANNOUNCEMENT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

M. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

April 8, 2009 – 10:30 a.m.
Hamilton Community Center
West Wing Auditorium
503 “B” South Palm Drive
Marin County

N. ADJOURNMENT

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ADDITIONAL MEETING INFORMATION FOR INTERESTED PARTIES

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CLOSED SESSION

If agendaized, NCRA may adjourn to a closed session to consider litigation or personnel matters. Discussion of litigation or pending litigation may be held in closed session by authority of Government Code Section 54956.9; discussion of personnel matters by authority of Government Code Section 54957; to confer with their negotiator regarding real property by authority of Government Code Section 54956.8.