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December 13 Mono Basin RPAC minutes

1. Meeting called to order 6:35pm, Members Elin Ljung, Lisa Cutting, Bartshe Miller, and Jake Suppa present.
2. Public comment-
 1. Representative from Whitebark Institute spoke towards upcoming seminars and workshops towards fire safe preventative measures in relation to CWPP
3. NA
4. Jake Suppa elected secretary 3-0
5. A. Tyrone Grandstand said hello, and gave out his business card. 5. B. Paul Roten gave discussion on upcoming scenarios for weather in the upcoming months and how Virginia and Lundy Lake roads will be maintained with snow removal. New equipment appropriately sized for our locale has been acquired, but old equipment has continued to be maintained in house and are ready for use. Potential staging spaces for older equipment could then be arranged. Public Comment received: Virginia Lakes parking has become limited from increased recreational use, limiting access to residents in some scenarios. Ask on how to increase parking, as well as shift Virginia Lakes Rd classification to a different priority. RPAC member comment: Potential to leave upper Lundy Rd unplowed for recreational use. 5. C. Wendy Sugimura presented attached handout from Caltrans landscape architect for input on street features. RPAC Input was for minimalist and adaptable features with low cost or maintenance, such as granite stone seating features, or stamped concrete. Input on limited outreach and miscommunication on design diagrams for features or parking, use of reverse spots, and replacement of trees and associated locations. Explanation that Caltrans is beholden to Federal timelines. Public Comment supported stamped concrete, and also to be culturally appropriate when choosing any associated landscape features. 5.D. Wendy Sugimura provided information on recent STR survey, and associated STR analysis on affects of housing from STR. STR are currently prohibited for all intended SFR in all LUD.
6. A. USFS not present B. Supervisor Gardner report on June mountain opening day, BOS housing sub committee accomplishments, details of upcoming Yosemite NPS procedure for reservations for 2024 C. Chair Ljung participated in STR survey and housing subcommittee D. Member Cutting and Miller had nothing to report. Member Suppa participated in public comment for various items. E. Fire Safe council had not report F. Housing subcommittee member Ljung reported on discussion of housing trust, RV policy, and future goals for outreach G. Bear safe committee had no report, but general consensus that activity has been limited despite the drought winter. H. No new projects. D&S waste have proceeded to building permit. Hip-camp is in CEQA tribal consultation with unknown PC date.
7. No immediate agenda items. Request for update on Conway Ranch in association with Sustainable Recreation via Marcella Rose.
8. Meeting adjourned 8:35pm