

The meeting was held at 1:05 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2011, at the Clark County Commission Chambers, 500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada.

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman	George F. Ogilvie III
Vice Chairwoman	Marybel Batjer
Commissioner	Mark Amodei
Commissioner	Tom Collins
Commissioner	Duncan R. McCoy
Commissioner	Berlyn D. Miller

COMMISSIONERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Commissioner	Lois Tarkanian
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DEPUTY ATTORNEYS GENERAL

Senior Deputy Attorney General	Jennifer T. Crandell
Senior Deputy Attorney General	Ann C. Pongracz

COMMISSION STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Executive Director	George M. Caan
Deputy Executive Director	James D. Salo
Chief, Finance and Administration	Douglas N. Beatty
Manager, Energy Services	Gail A. Bates
Assistant Director of Engineering and Operations	Robert Reese
Hydropower Program Manager	Craig N. Pyper
Assistant Hydropower Program Manager	Lisa M. Ray
Hydropower Program Specialist	Michael S. Harris
Manager, Natural Resources Group	McClain L. Peterson
Senior Energy Accountant	Gail L. Benton
Senior Energy Accountant	Richard M. Sanders
Energy Accountant	Kalora E. Snyder
Office Manager	Judy K. Atwood
Administrative Assistant IV	Brenda Haymore
Administrative Assistant II	Gina L. Goodman
Administrative Assistant II	Carol L. Perone

OTHERS PRESENT; REPRESENTING

American Pacific Corporation	Jack Stonehocker
Consultant	Sara A. Price, Esq.
Office of the Governor	Terri Janison
Nevada Energy	Bill Carner
Southern Nevada Water Authority	Scott Leedom

**COLORADO RIVER COMMISSION
OF NEVADA
MEETING OF MARCH 8, 2011**

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The Colorado River Commission meeting was called to order by at 1:05 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

A. Conformance to Open Meeting Law.

Executive Director George Caan confirmed that the meeting was in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

B. Consideration of and possible action to appoint an Interim Executive Director by the Commission.

Chairman Ogilvie stated that it is his understanding that Item B would be discussed and voted upon by the Commission.

Mr. Caan replied that Chairman Ogilvie's understanding is correct. He stated that following his departure from the Commission, effective March 18, 2011, it is his recommendation that the Commission vote to appoint Deputy Executive Director James D. Salo as Interim Executive Director to carry out the duties of the Executive Director during the period in which the Commission recruits and appoints a new Executive Director.

Chairman Ogilvie and the Commissioners concurred.

Commissioner Miller moved to appoint Deputy Executive Director James D. Salo as the Interim Executive Director until such time as the Commission selects a new Executive Director. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Batjer and approved by a unanimous vote.

C. Consideration of and possible action on the process for recruitment of an Executive Director by the Commission.

Mr. Caan noted this Item will be added to future agendas as a status item at each meeting as the Commission progresses on the selection of a new Executive Director.

Mr. Caan reported that in mid-February the Commission sent out a recruitment announcement through the Nevada Department of Personnel for an Executive Director setting forth the responsibilities of the position and other relevant terms. The posting requested resumes and letters of interest to be submitted to the Commission by March 4, 2011.

He stated that the Commission received fifteen applications. He is reviewing the applications to ensure that the applicants meet the minimum qualifications that were established in the recruitment announcement. He will set up a committee of representatives consisting of industry customers and peers in power, water, and federal

agencies, to review the applications and compile a short list that will be recommended to the Commission. Upon completion of the panel's review, the recommendations will be forwarded to the Commission by the Interim Executive Director James D. Salo for further action.

Chairman Ogilvie asked for an expected timeframe.

Mr. Caan responded that he plans to have the review of applications complete, the committee selected, and his selections ready to hand over to the committee prior to his departure. The Interim Executive Director and Office Manager will complete the scheduling of interviews for the committee.

Commissioner Collins asked how many members are planned for the review committee.

Mr. Caan responded that he plans to have three to five members for the review committee.

No action is required for this Item.

D. Consideration of and possible action to adopt Colorado River Commission Resolution 2011-1, commending George M. Caan, P.E. for his service to the Commission.

Deputy Executive Director James D. Salo read into the record Colorado River Commission Resolution 2011-1 commending Executive Director George M. Caan, P.E., for his service to the Colorado River Commission of Nevada.

The Commissioners expressed their appreciation and gratitude for Mr. Caan's professionalism, trustworthiness, excellent management of people and resources, and for his exceptional service to the Commission and the State of Nevada.

Commissioner Collins moved for approval of Resolution 2011-1. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCoy and approved by a unanimous vote.

A copy of the resolution is attached and made a part of the minutes. (See Attachment A.)

E. Status update on the hydrologic conditions, drought, and climate of the Colorado River Basin, Nevada's consumptive use of Colorado River water, and other developments on the Colorado River.

Manager, Natural Resources Group McClain Peterson provided a report on the following:

- Storage Conditions
- Unregulated Inflow into Lake Powell
- Precipitation – Colorado River Basin
- Lake Mead End of Month Elevation Projections

- U.S. Drought Monitor – March 1, 2011
- U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook
- Snowpack - March 4, 2011
- Colorado River Basin above Lake Powell
- Spring and Summer Streamflow Forecasts – March 1, 2011
- Water Use in Southern Nevada

A copy of the report is attached and made a part of the minutes. (See Attachment B.)

F. Comments and questions from the public. (No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.)

Chairman Ogilvie asked if there were any comments or questions from the public.

Director of Community Relations and the Governor’s Liaison for the Colorado River Commission of Nevada Terri Janison thanked Mr. Caan on behalf of Governor Sandoval for his service.

She also personally thanked him for the briefings and education that he has given her in the two months that she has known him.

G. Comments and questions from the Commission members.

Chairman Ogilvie asked if there were any comments or questions from the Commission members. There were none.

H. Selection of the next possible meeting date.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at the Clark County Government Center in the Commission Chambers.

I. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

James D. Salo, Interim Executive Director

APPROVED:

George F. Ogilvie III, Chairman