

**Agenda**  
**DESERT MANAGERS GROUP MEETING**  
**Chef Marquez Room, Furnace Creek Inn, Death Valley National Park**  
**October 7-8, 2003**

**October 7, 2003**

- 8:00 am Welcome/Introductions/Review Agenda/Administration (J.T. Reynolds)
- 8:15 am Death Valley NP overview (J.T. Reynolds)
- 8:45 am HAZMAT report (Key/Scofield)
- FY 03 Accomplishments
  - Dump prevention plan
  - IDEW--Palm Spring Dumping Workshop
  - Illegal Dump Database
  - FY 04 funding needs
- 9:30 am PACRAT Report
- Operation Indian Rock (Todd Swain, NPS)
  - Break
  - Proposed Paleontological Resources Legislation (Kathy Springer, SB County Museum)
  - ARPA Training (Kaldenberg)
  - Report/Recommendations on CHRIS (Eric Allison/Bryson/Wood)
  - Summary and next steps (Bryson/Kaldenberg)
- 11:45 am Lunch
- 1:00 pm Park and Public Lands Stewardship through the Arts (Tim Terrell)
- 1:30 pm Californiadesert.gov –Update and next steps (Everly) (15 min)
- 1:45 pm Research database and Mojave Desert Science Symposium (Hughson)
- 2:15 pm Habitat Restoration Report (Scofield)
- San Felipe San Sebastian Wash MOA
  - Coachella Valley WMA
  - Work Group Meeting
- 2:45 pm Coordinated Natural Resource Monitoring and Spring Survey Update (Heister)
- 3:15 Desert Tortoise Recovery Plan Assessment
- Status of recovery plan review (DTRPAC)
  - results of MOG meeting (Williams)
- 3:45 pm The Nature Conservancy Activities and Plans in the Mojave Desert (Christian, Bair)

- 4:15 pm DMG Manager Roundtable Reports (Managers)
- 5:00 pm Adjourn
- 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Social gathering (Chef Marquez Patio / Pool Area) – hosted by the Death Valley Natural History Association)

**October 8, 2003**

- 8:00 am Burro Management
- FY 03 Accomplishments; FY 04 work plans (Sjaastad)
  - NPS/BLM MOU (Tom Pogacnik)
- 8:30 am Desert Tortoise (DT) Recovery Action Program/MOA (Hamill)
- DTRPAC review of DT Recovery Action Program (DTRPAC)
- 9:15 am DT Education and Outreach Plan and budget (Zarki)
- 9:45 am Break
- 10:00 am Science and Data Management Support (Hamill/Everly)
- 10:30 am Raven Management Plan and budget (FWS)
- 11:00 am DT Monitoring Update/FY 04 Plans and funding needs (Medica)
- 11:30 am Effectiveness Monitoring Project– status/support needs (Boarman)
- 11:45 am Public Comment
- Noon Next DMG meetings
- January 14-15, 2004, Helendale, CA, Host: Barstow, BLM; Theme to be determined
  - Spring Meeting; Location/Date/Theme to be determined
- 12:15 Lunch

**Executive Session – DMG Members and Staff Only**

- 1:30 pm Funding and Staffing for DMG Projects
- FY 04 Funding/Staff Needs for DMG/ activities (Hamill/Everly)
  - Accounting for current and planned DT expenditures
  - DT MOA
  - Next steps
- 3:15 pm Adjourn

## **Lodging Information**

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Furnace Creek Ranch under the name “Desert Managers Group” at the rate of \$60 per night (specify if you are a GOV employee and Booking #: 5874). The phone number for the Furnace Creek Ranch is (760) 786-2345. The Fax number is (760) 786-2514. Directions are attached.

### **Directions to the Furnace Creek Ranch/Death Valley Inn Death Valley National Park**

#### From the LA area:

Take I-15 North  
Get off at the Baker, CA exit.  
Take 127N to Death Valley Junction.  
Then take 190 into Furnace Creek in Death Valley (30 miles).  
(The Furnace Creek Inn is about 1 mile south of Furnace Creek)

#### From Las Vegas:

Leave the airport on Las Vegas Boulevard to State Highway 160. Turn right towards Pahrump. This is 65 miles. Go through Pahrump and turn left onto Stateline Road. (Need to watch for the sign that directs you to Death Valley.) This takes you to Death Valley Junction. Take a right onto Highway 127 and within 300 feet turn left onto Highway 190. It is 33 miles to Death Valley. (The Furnace Creek Inn is about 1 mile south of Furnace Creek)

Or

Leave airport and head north to Highway 95. Drive 85 miles to Highway 127. Turn left and drive 25 miles to Highway 190. Take a right and drive 33 miles to Death Valley. (The Furnace Creek Inn is about 1 mile south of Furnace Creek)