

September 18, 2006

Memorandum

To: Desert Managers Group

From: Clarence Everly, DMG Coordinator

Subject: Desert Managers Group Meeting, November 1 – 2, Death Valley National Park.

This is final confirmation of the Desert Managers Group meeting to be held November 1 – 2, 2006, at Death Valley National Park. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on November 1st and adjourn at 3:00 p.m. on November 2nd. JT Reynolds, Superintendent, Death Valley National Park is our host for the meeting. **Please note the following important information:**

- A draft meeting agenda is attached. Please provide any comments or additional agenda items by 15 October 2006.
- Review materials and the final agenda will be posted on the DMG Website approximately one week before the meeting.
- Lodging is available at the Furnace Creek Ranch at the rate of \$76.00 (government per diem). Call 760-786-2345 for reservations. A block of rooms under booking number 7474 has been reserved for the Desert Managers Group . Make sure you articulate to the reservation clerk that you are a government employee and a member of the Desert Managers Group to insure you receive the government per diem room rate. The room block reservation cut-off date is 16 October 2006.
- A field trip is scheduled for the afternoon of 1 November. Please remember to bring comfortable walking shoes and clothing, water, sunscreen, your camera and a light to medium jacket depending on weather.
- A social event is scheduled after the field trip for the evening of 1 November. We will gather for dinner at the Inn.

If you have questions, please contact Clarence Everly at 760-256-7033 or Russell Scofield at 760-365-0955. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.



(Draft) Agenda
November 1 - 2, 2006
Death Valley National Park

Wednesday, November 1, 2006 (open to stakeholders)

- 8:30 am Welcome, introductions and logistics
- 8:40 am Introduction to Death Valley National Park - resources, issues, activities and organization (JT Reynolds, Superintendent, Death Valley National Park)
- 9:00 am Desert Tortoise Recovery Office Update (Roy Averill-Murray, USFWS DTRO)
- 10:00 am Raven Environmental Assessment Work Group Update (Judy Hohman USFWS)
- 10:20 am Stakeholder Input
- 10:30 am Break
- 10:45 am Mojave Ground Squirrel Work Group Update (Becky Jones CDFG)
- 11:00 am Free Roaming Dogs (Glenn Black)
- 11:15 am Burro Update (Dave Sjaastad, Ridgecrest BLM Field Office)
- 11:45 am Stakeholder Input
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm Field Trip (open to stakeholders)
- 6:00 pm Social Event – Dinner at the Inn.

Thursday, November 2, 2006 - DMG Members, staff and invited guests only

- 8:00 am Follow-up from Open Session (JT Reynolds)
- 8:30 am Desert Tortoise Education and Outreach Project Update (Anne Staley, Desert Tortoise Outreach Coordinator/Joe Zarki, JTNP)

- 9:30 am Abandoned Mine Lands (David Eck, DVNP/Ted Wiezma, MNP)
- DVNP program
 - Leveraging resources
 - State grants
- 10:00 am Break
- 10:15 am Caltrans Rest Area Exhibits (Ernie Figueroa, CALTRANS)
- 10:30 am Restoration Efforts Update (Russell Scofield, Barstow BLM Field Office)
- 11:00 am Desert Water Resources (Terry Fisk, DVNP)
- Regional flow system issues
 - Regional permitting issues
 - DVNP Springs inventory work
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm PACRAT Update (Bob Bryson, MNP)
- 1:30 pm Mojave Fringe Toed Lizard Update (Russell Scofield, Barstow BLM Field Office)
- 2:00 pm Next Meetings
- 2:15 pm Roundtable Report
- 3:00 pm Adjourn