

November 7, 2008

Memorandum

To: Desert Managers Group

From: Clarence Everly, DOD DMG Coordinator
Russell Scofield, DOI DMG Coordinator

Subject: Desert Managers Group Meeting, December 3 - 4, 2008, Primm Valley Hotel and Casino, Primm, NV.

The Desert Managers Group will hold its winter meeting 3 – 4 December 2008 in the Conference Center at the Primm Valley Hotel and Casino, Primm NV. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on 3 December and adjourn at 3:00 p.m. on 4 December. Roy Averill-Murray, Desert Tortoise Coordinator, USFWS Desert Tortoise Recovery Office is our host for the meeting.

Please note the following important information:

1. **RSVP Deadline for reservations at the Primm Valley Hotel and Casino is 19 November, 2008.**
2. A block of 40 rooms has been set aside at the Primm Valley Hotel and Casino. The room rate is \$24.95 per night. To make a reservation call **1-800-386-7867** and use group code **SCD 1203**. Reservations must be made no later than **19 November 2008**.
3. A field trip is scheduled for the afternoon of 3 December. Any review/read ahead materials will be posted on the DMG Website approximately one week before the meeting.
4. A box lunch from the hotel will be available on 3 December for \$14.00. Lunch sandwich selections include Turkey, Ham, Roast Beef, or Vegetarian, and will include a drink, chips and cookie. **RSVP no later than 20 November, 2008** to Cyn LaFever, 760-252-6160 (clafever@mojavedata.gov) with your lunch sandwich choice.
5. We will have a no host Mexican buffet at 1800 hours in the hotel following the field trip. Cost for the buffet is \$35.25 per person (includes tax and gratuity). The buffet will consist of salad, chicken Mexicali, steak Lobos, chili rellenos, cheese enchilladas, beans, rice, veggies and coffee/tea . **RSVP no later than 20 November, 2008** to Cyn LaFever, 760-252-6160 (clafever@mojavedata.gov) (this will be JT Reynolds DMG farewell).

If you have any questions, please contact Russell Scofield at 760-365-0955 or Clarence Everly at 760-380-3740. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.



**DMG Meeting
December 3 and 4, 2008
Primm, Nevada**

Wednesday, December 3 - open to stakeholders

- 8:30 am Welcome and Introductions (Roy Averill-Murray)
- 8:45 am Overview of the Desert Tortoise Recovery Office (Roy Averill-Murray)
- 9:00 am Desert Tortoise Recovery Plan Revision (Roy Averill-Murray)
- 9:15 am Desert Tortoise Management Oversight Group Charter (Roy Averill-Murray)
- 9:30 am Desert Tortoise Recovery Implementation Teams (Roy Averill-Murray)
- 10:00 am Stakeholder Comments
- 10:15 am Break
- 10:30 am Desert Tortoise Information and Education Update (Anne Staley)
- Mojave Max Living Desert Agreement
 - Television PSAs
- 11:00 am Desert Tortoise Monitoring Update (Linda Alison)
- 11:30 am Stakeholder Comments
- 11:45 pm Depart for Field Trip
- Box Lunches
 - LSTS
 - Ivanpah Valley
- 6:00 pm Dinner/Social Event

Thursday, December 4 - open to stakeholders

- 8:00 am DMG Energy Coordination Update (Russell Scofield)
- Mapping Effort
 - Best Management Practices
- 8:30 am Energy Update
- California BLM (Greg Miller)
 - Nevada BLM
 - Sunrise Powerlink (Mike Wells)
- 9:00 am Raven Workgroup Update (Jody Fraser, Ashleigh Blackford)
- 9:30 am Stakeholder Comments
- 9:45 am Break
- 10:00 am Mojave Tui Chub (Judy Hohman, Debra Hughson)
- 10:30 am Kern County WMA
- 11:00 pm International Border Update (Greg Thomsen)
- 11:30 pm Work Group Updates (Russell Scofield)
- Conservation Land Acquisition Work Group
 - Abandoned Mine Lands
- 11:45 pm Ivanpah Airport (Larry Whalen)
- 12:15 pm USGS Desert Tortoise Model (Dr. Todd Esque)
- 12:45 pm Stakeholder Comments
- 1:00 pm Break

DMG Executive Coordination Session- DMG Members, staff

- 1:15 pm Follow-up from open session
- 1:30 am California Desert Fund (Russell Scofield and Claire Thorp)
- 2:00 pm Next Meetings
- Winter Meeting: Host- San Bernardino County, Date- March 4 and 5, 2009, Location- Barstow
 - Spring Meeting: Host- TBD, Date- TBD, Location- TBD
- 2:15 pm Executive Reports
- 3:00 pm Adjourn