



COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING  
NELLIS DUNES ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
January 26, 2009

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bureau of Land Management  
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Clark County Board of Commissioners  
Clark County Dept. of Air Quality & Environmental Management  
Clark County Parks & Recreation  
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Friends of Gold Butte  
Nellis Air Force Base  
Nevada Operating Engineers Local 12  
Skancke Consulting  
Stanley Engineering  
Thumpertalk

Marilyn Peterson  
Mark Chattertan  
Tom Collins  
Chuck Richter  
Michael Flores  
Steve Corry  
Terri Robertson  
Deborah MacNeill  
Cary Parker  
Ryan Arnold  
Dan Bender  
Brian Wilson

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:**

Assembly District 20  
Horizon Properties  
Las Vegas Convention & Visitors Authority  
Six Degrees  
Southern Nevada Off Road Enthusiasts  
Southern Nevada Trails

Joe Hardy  
Virginia Pietrafeso  
Julian Dugas  
Randi Lynn Graber  
Don Wall  
Zack Livreri

**STAFF:**

Comprehensive Planning

Michael Popp

- 1. Compliance with Open Meeting Law.** Commissioner Collins called the meeting of the Clark County Comprehensive Planning Nellis Dunes Advisory Committee to order on Monday, January 26, 2009 at 6:05 p.m.
- 2. Approval of December 15, 2008 Meeting Minutes.** This item was held to the next meeting to address corrections to the minutes provided by Nellis Air Force Base (NAFB).
- 3. Presentation on Web Page and Resources.** This item was held to the next meeting.
- 4. Receive a report from Park Uses Sub-Committee.** The sub-committee met on January 5, 2009 and discussed a variety of uses for the 1,000 acre portion. The report will be presented at the next meeting for the committee to receive. The sub-committee recommended that each use such as: trail riding, truck racing etc. have a sub-committee. Mr. Popp reminded members about the categories (sub-committees) that were outlined and discussed at the December 15, 2008 meeting. The committee will elect a chairperson for the Park Uses, Finance and Natural Resources Sub-Committees at the next meeting. Additionally, Mr. Popp recommended setting up the Land, Air and Water Sub-Committees and elect their chairpersons at the next meeting.
- 5. Creation of Park Resource Sub-Committee.** This item was held to the next meeting.
- 6. Next Meeting.** It is suggested that the next meeting be set during the 4<sup>th</sup> week in February at 6:00 p.m.



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7. **Public Comment.** Commissioner Collins gave an update that Mr. Hardy with Assembly District 20 has a Bill regarding annexation to address boundary issues with the City of North Las Vegas. A vote will be taken on the issue in June 2009.

Commissioner Collins came across a Congressional Bill that addressed general needs in Nevada such as trails in Lincoln County and Gold Butte. In order for the Nellis Dunes project to move forward, Commissioner Collins would like the Nellis Dunes project to stand alone or not be connected to Gold Butte since they are not ready to move forward.

Commissioner Collins asked that members broaden their thoughts about obtaining additional acreage for recreational uses beyond the 1,000 acres they are currently planning for. Ms. Robertson asked if people could continue to go out to the 10,000 acre area and not be charged a fee. Commissioner Collins replied that he has no intentions of ever charging a fee. The area would be rented out, similar to renting a ball field from the Parks & Recreation Department for an event, and negotiating a fee. Mr. Popp briefly discussed alternative materials that could be used in place of asphalt, and a 5 mile loop that could be a potential entrance/exit to the site. Commissioner Collins recommended that members send a short note to their own Legislator and John Lee, the Chair of Government Affairs in the Senate and Marilyn Kirkpatrick, the Chair of Government Affairs in the Assembly regarding obtaining more than the 1,000 acres. Members requested that Commissioner Collins email them the contact information. Corry stated that the Parks & Recreation Department will be working with John Lee, the Chairman of Government Affairs to make sure there are naming rights available to all parks, not just the Shooting Park.

Ms. MacNeill reiterated that as long as all of the agreed upon protections were included, such as an adequate buffer (fence), no structures or high density uses under the flight path, etc. etc., NAFB will support the project. Ms. MacNeill advised that the legislative language needed to be drafted between Nellis and Clark County in order to ensure the protections are included in the federal legislation. She also recommended that an Interlocal Agreement be written between NAFB, BLM and Clark County soon so that everyone has time to review the language. Both the legislation and Interlocal Agreements finalized in order for Nellis to be able to support the legislation.

Mr. Popp shared information about transportation funding for the 50 states per the Stimulus Package that is slated to come out in February 2009. There is no way of knowing what this funding means for Nevada, Clark County or BLM at this time. Commissioner Collins suggested applying for various grants to obtain funds for the Nellis Dunes project.

8. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

For more information about the Nellis Dunes project please visit our website:  
[www.accessclarkcounty.com/depts/comprehensive\\_planning/nellis/Pages/nellisdunes.aspx](http://www.accessclarkcounty.com/depts/comprehensive_planning/nellis/Pages/nellisdunes.aspx)