

DROUGHT SUMMIT PROGRAM OUTLINE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

8:30 – 9:30

Registration

9:30 – 9:45

WELCOME

- Leo Drozdoff, P.E. – Governor Introduction
- Governor Brian Sandoval – Opening Remarks
- Lewis Michaelson, President, Katz & Associates – Facilitator Day One Overview

9:45 – 11:30

DEFINING AND PREDICTING DROUGHT

- Dr. Roger S. Pulwarty – Director, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) U.S. National Integrated Drought Information System
- Dr. Doug Boyle – Nevada State Climatologist
- Dr. Justin Huntington – Associate Research Professor, Desert Research Institute

11:30 – 1:00

Lunch (On Own)

1:00 – 2:15

WATER HISTORY, LAW AND PAST/CURRENT USERS

- Jason King, P.E. – Nevada State Engineer, Division of Water Resources
- Chad Blanchard – U.S. Federal Water Master
- Ed James, P.E. – General Manager, Carson Water Subconservancy District
- Colby Pellegrino – Colorado River Programs Manager, Southern Nevada Water Authority

2:15 – 2:45

Break

2:45 – 3:30

NEVADA CHALLENGES – THE COST OF DROUGHT

- Leo Drozdoff, P.E. – Director, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- Steve Hill – Director, Governor’s Office of Economic Development
- Claudia Vecchio – Director, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs
- Tony Wasley – Director, Department of Wildlife

3:30 – 5:00

SHOWCASES: CONSERVATION SUCCESS STORIES IN NEVADA

- Duane Coombs – Ranch Manager, Smith Family Ranch
- Chris Brophy – Vice President Corporate Sustainability, MGM Resorts International
- Marilyn Teague – Director, Environmental, Permitting and Safety Group, Sempra U.S. Gas and Power
- Josh Vittori – President, Nevada Bighorns Unlimited
- Stephen Ascuaga – Corporate Director of Business Development, Peppermill Inc.

5:30 – 7:00

HOSTED DROUGHT SUMMIT RECEPTION – GOVERNOR’S MANSION

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:15 – 8:30

WELCOME

- Lewis Michaelson, Facilitator, Day Two Overview

8:30 – 10:00

DROUGHT IN NEVADA – MUNICIPAL AND PUBLIC PROVIDERS

- John Entsminger – General Manager, Southern Nevada Water Authority
- Mark Foree – General Manager, Truckee Meadows Water Authority
- Wendy Barnett – President, Utilities, Inc.
- Bruce Scott – Chairman, Board for Financing Water Projects

10:00 – 10:30

Break

10:30 – Noon

DROUGHT IN NEVADA – RESORTS AND RECREATION

- Virginia Valentine – President, Nevada Resort Association
- Andrew Strain – Vice President of Planning and Government Affairs, Vail Resorts, Heavenly Mountain Resort
- Jeremy Drew – Resource Specialist, Resource Concepts, Inc.
- Jeremy Adkins – Director of Course Maintenance, Angel Park Golf Club

Noon – 1:30

Lunch (On Own)

1:30 – 3:00

DROUGHT IN NEVADA – INDUSTRY AND DEVELOPMENT

- Dr. Dana Bennett – President, Nevada Mining Association
- Larry Simon – Senior Architecture and Landscape Manager, Pardee Homes
- Eric Brady – President, Brady Linen Services
- Kurtis Hyde – Vice President of Landscape Maintenance, Par 3 Landscape & Maintenance

3:00 – 3:30

Break

3:30 – 5:00

DROUGHT IN NEVADA – AGRICULTURE

- Lynn Hettrick – Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture
- David Stix – President Elect, Nevada Cattlemen’s Association
- David Peri – President and Chief Executive Officer, Peri & Sons Farms
- Sam Routson – Chief Administrative Officer, Winnemucca Farms
- James Moyle – Diamond Valley Alfalfa

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

8:00 – 8:15

WELCOME

- Lewis Michaelson, Facilitator, Day Three Overview

8:15 – 9

DROUGHT IN NEVADA – TRIBAL PERSPECTIVE

- Vinton Hawley – Chairman, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
- Wes Williams, Jr., Esq. – Walker Lake Paiute Tribe
- Gerry Emm – Deputy Superintendent, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Nevada Agency

9 – 10:30

DROUGHT IN NEVADA – CONSERVATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

- Teddy Ryerson – Nevada State Director, The Nature Conservancy
- Kyle Davis – Policy Director, Protect NV
- Howard Watts III – Communications Specialist, Great Basin Water Network
- Kacey KC – Program Manager, Nevada Sagebrush Ecosystem Council
- Jake Tibbitts – President, Nevada Association of Conservation Districts
- Mark Biddlecomb – Director of Operations, Western Region, Ducks Unlimited

10:30 – 11:00

Break

11:00 – Noon

CASE STUDY: A REGIONAL WATER PARTNERSHIP AND SOLUTIONS – SYSTEM CONSERVATION ON THE COLORADO RIVER

- Greg Walch – General Counsel, Southern Nevada Water Authority
- Bill Hasencamp – Manager of Colorado River Resources, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
- Chuck Cullom – Colorado River Program Manager, Central Arizona Project

12:00 – 1:30

Lunch (On Own)

1:30 – 2:45

DROUGHT IN NEVADA – THE FEDERAL AGENCY PERSPECTIVE

- Raul Morales – Deputy State Director, Bureau of Land Management
- Bill Dunkelberger – Forest Supervisor, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest
- Dan Bunk – River Operations Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado River
- Ray Dotson – State Conservationist, USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Clint Koble – State Executive Director, USDA- Farm Service Agency

2:45 – 3:30

WATER CONSERVATION – COMMUNICATING THE MESSAGE

- Randy Snow – Chief Strategic Officer and Partner, R&R Partners
- Andy Gebhardt – Conservation Manager, Truckee Meadows Water Authority
- Mike Alger – Meteorologist, KTVN-TV Reno

3:30 – 4:15

FACILITATOR PRESENTATION – SUMMIT RECAP AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4:15 – 4:30

SUMMIT CLOSING AND NEXT STEPS

