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Agenda

Siskiyou County Planning Commission Regular Meeting

August 20, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.

Siskiyou County Meeting Chambers, 311 Fourth Street, 2nd Floor, Yreka, California

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I. Call to Order: Siskiyou County Planning Commission Meeting

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Minutes: June 18, 2025**

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4. **Unscheduled Appearances:** Any person may address the Commission on any subject matter within the jurisdiction or responsibility of the Commission at the beginning of the meeting; or may elect to address the Commission on any agenda item at the time the item is called by the Chair, but before the matter is acted upon by the Commission. Unscheduled comments will be limited to five minutes.
5. **Conflict of Interest Declaration.**
6. **Presentation of Documents:** All items presented to the Planning Commission during a public hearing become a permanent part of the record. Twelve copies of any information presented to the Commission should be given to the Clerk of the Commission for distribution to the Commissioners. In order to obtain an accurate record of the testimony, please address the Commission at the speaking table and clearly introduce yourself with your full name and address. **Your address will not be included in the minutes of the meeting.** A maximum of five minutes per speaker will be given so that all interested parties will have an opportunity to address the Commission.
7. **Availability of Public Records:** All public records related to an open session item on this agenda, which are not exempt from disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act, that are distributed to a majority of the legislative body will be available for public inspection at 806 South Main Street, Yreka, CA 96097, at the same time that the public records are distributed or made available to the members of the legislative body. All project documents are on file at the Planning Division of the Siskiyou County Community Development Department, 806 South Main Street, Yreka, CA 96097, and available for public review.
8. **Public Hearing Protocol:** The public is encouraged to participate in the hearing process. The Chair of the Planning Commission will conduct the public hearing through the following actions:
 - A. The Chair introduces the agenda item.
 - B. The Staff Report is presented.
 - C. Submitted correspondence is acknowledged and made part of the public record.
 - D. Additional reports, arguments, or evidence will be submitted by other County departments or public agencies.
 - E. The Chair will ask if any of the Commissioners have questions of staff.
 - F. The Chair will open the public hearing.
 - G. Proponents are given an opportunity to present their arguments and evidence.
 - H. Opponents are given an opportunity to present their arguments and evidence.
 - I. Other public comments are given.
 - J. The project proponent is given an opportunity to present a rebuttal.
 - K. After all testimony has been given, the Chair will close the public hearing, and the Commission will discuss the matter. During this discussion, Commission members may individually ask questions of the project proponent, opponent, or staff, at the convenience of the Commission.
 - L. After discussion, the Chair will ask for a motion and a second, and the Commission will render its decision.

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- 9. Right of Appeal Statement:** Projects heard at this Planning Commission meeting may be subject to appeal within ten (10) calendar days of today's meeting (if the 10th day falls on a weekend, the appeal must be received the following business day). Please contact the County Clerk for information. Appeals must be submitted to the County Clerk's office together with the appeal fee of \$1,250. If you challenge the environmental review or the project proposal in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to Siskiyou County Planning at, or prior to, the public hearing.
- 10. Changes to Agenda Items and Consideration of Agenda Items to be Continued.**

II. New Business

Agenda Item 1: Proposal to Abandon Bailey Hill Road (RA-25-02) / Categorically Exempt

The project is a proposed abandonment of a county owned road for the benefit of the interested party. Prior to consideration by the Board of Supervisors, the Planning Commission shall review the proposal and make a recommendation to the Board. In order to abandon a public road, the Board of Supervisors must find that the abandonment is in the public interest and conforms with the Siskiyou County General Plan. The proposal involves abandonment of 1.28 miles of Bailey Hill Road, located off Exit 793 (Lemos Road Exit), northbound Interstate 5, on 17.25 acres of AG-1 land. Township 47N, Range 6W, Section 14, M.D.M; APN: 040-070-130; 41°57'18.7"N 122°35'25.7"W.

Planning Staff Recommendations:

Approval:

Adopt Resolution PC 2025-012 taking the following actions:

1. Recommend the Board of Supervisors approve the proposed road abandonment (RA-24-02) based on the recommended findings; and
2. Recommend the Board of Supervisors determine the project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.; or

Denial:

Adopt Resolution PC 2025-013 taking the following actions:

1. Recommend the Board of Supervisors deny the proposed road abandonment (RA-24-02) based on the recommended findings; and
2. Recommend the Board of Supervisors determine the project exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.

(Discussion/Action Item)

- A. Staff Report
- B. Commission Questions

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- C. Public Hearing
- D. Commission Discussion
- E. Roll Call Vote

III. Items for Discussion/Direction

1. Ongoing Staff Update Regarding the General Plan Update

This is an ongoing agenda item pertaining to the Siskiyou County 2050 General Plan Update. Staff will be providing an update on the project schedule, deliverables, and any other updates relating to this project.

2. Mining Program Update - Discussion Regarding Mine Operators Non-Compliance with Terms Of Reclamation Plan

Staff will provide a general update on the active mines in Siskiyou County including challenges that are occurring. Staff is requesting direction on the handling of non-typical compliance issues.

IV. Miscellaneous:

1. Future Meetings: The next regular meeting of the Planning Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

2. Correspondence

3. Staff Comments

4. Commission Comments: Under Government Code Section 54952.2, may include: (1) a brief announcement; (2) a question for clarification; (3) a brief report on his or her own activities; (4) request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or (5) take action to direct staff to place a matter of business (or issue) on a future agenda.

V. Adjournment