

**Open Space Advisory Committee
Staff Report**

Meeting Date:	February 25, 2013
Agenda Item Number:	3E
Applicant:	Ann Bollinger, Natural Resource Specialist
Request:	<u>For Discussion and Possible Action:</u> Regarding the dissolution of the Carson River Advisory Committee and transfer of duties and responsibilities including the designation of a liaison for the Kiwanis Club annual river cleanup activity.
General Discussion:	<p>Twenty years ago, the Carson River Advisory Committee was formed by the Board of Supervisors through Resolution No. 1993-R-52 to advise on matters pertaining to the update of the Carson River Master Plan, the coordination of projects, and the promotion of education and awareness of the river resources. The committee was successful in updating the Carson River Master Plan and was also instrumental in the formation of the Community Vision for the river lands through the charrette process and the facilitation of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009. Throughout recent years, the functions of the committee began to overlap with the functions of the Open Space Advisory Committee. On February 7, 2013, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution expressing gratitude to the present and past Carson River Advisory Committee members for their dedicated service and contributions towards the stewardship of the Carson River and providing for the dissolution of the Carson River Advisory Committee.</p> <p>One of the projects hosted by the Carson River Advisory Committee was an annual work day in which volunteers were recruited to assist with willow plantings, wire wrapping on cottonwood trees, or other river conservation-related projects. Each year, one committee member would act as liaison and lead the coordination effort. The purpose of this agenda item is to determine whether the Open Space Advisory Committee has an interest in conducting a work day and if so, to identify a committee member to coordinate the effort.</p>
Recommended Action:	I move to designate _____ as liaison for the Kiwanis Club annual river cleanup activity.

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Bruce Scott, Chairman
Carson City Open Space Advisory Committee
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Re: Carson River Projects

Dear Mr. Scott:

For the past 14 years, the Carson Water Subconservancy District (CWSD) has had the pleasure of working with the Carson River Advisory Committee (CRAC) resolving issues and promoting activities along the Carson River within the Carson City boundaries. On January 28, 2013, the CRAC took action to dissolve itself with the understanding that the Open Space Advisory Committee (OSAC) will incorporate the functions of the CRAC. With the dissolution of the CRAC, CWSD wants to emphasize the importance of the OSAC's continued support of activities along the Carson River. CWSD looks forward to working with the OSAC on future projects and events to ensure the protection and enhancement of the Carson River.

Sincerely,



Ernest Schank
Chairman

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