

Negotiated Public Meeting - Notes

Name of Negotiated Rulemaking: IDAPA 20.03.14 Rules Governing Grazing, Farming, Conservation, Noncommercial Recreation, and Communication Site Leases.

Docket Number: 20-0314-2401

Date & Time: March 27, 2024, at 5:00 MST

Location: Idaho Department of Lands – Boise Staff Office

Meeting Facilitator: Addie Faust

Staff:

- In Person: Jason Laney, Diana Barbour, Roger Hall
- Via Zoom: None

Audience:

- In Person: Dexton Lake- Idaho Farm Bureau, Russ Hendricks- Idaho Farm Bureau, Allison Ginn-USFS, Cameron Mulrony-Idaho Cattle Association (ICA)
- Via Zoom: Alli Olson-Office of Attorney General, Karen Williams- Idaho Cattle Association (ICA)

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Addie Faust started off the meeting with a brief introduction. Addie then outlined the agenda, emphasizing the next meeting date and comment deadlines for the negotiated rule making.
- A description of the executive order regarding Zero Based Regulations was given and highlights of what changes were made in the draft rule to align with the EO.
- Addie gave an overview of the participation guidelines for both virtual and in person attendees before presenting the draft rule.

2. Draft Negotiated Rules

- Addie shared the draft rule with the tracked changes and identified the changes made in each section, opening the floor for questions or comments.
- Karen Williams, with ICA, asked about the format changes to section 20.02 Applications and processing. The comment indicated that the new formatting was difficult to follow, but when the tracked changes were hidden, the formatting was correct. There were no further questions on this section.
- Cameron Mulrony, with ICA, proposed a change in section 050.02 Change in Land Use. ICA would like to amend this section to state, "If the endowment lands are to be leased for any other use as designated by the

Board or the department and the new use is incompatible with the existing lease, a change in land use can be executed at the conclusion if the existing lease term.” Cameron indicated that the current 180-day notice was not sufficient. He stated that if lessees were given more notice, or to the end of the lease, the investments in range improvement projects would be more worthwhile. The goal of this comment is to provide lessees with more predictability.

- Russ Hendricks asked a clarifying question verifying that there are no substantial changes to the rule and that all changes made were intended to reduce words, unnecessary and outdated regulatory burden. This was confirmed by IDL staff.
- There were no additional questions.

3. Meeting Adjournment

- Addie reiterated the process to submit comments, the next public hearing, and the timeline for the next steps before the meeting adjourned.