# **AGENDA WORKSHEET**

***Submit completed worksheet to:***

*Siskiyou County Clerk, 510 N Main St, Yreka, CA 96097*

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| **Regular** | **[x]**  |  | **Time Requested:** | **5 min** | **Meeting Date:** | **5/4/21** |
| ***OR*** |
| **Consent** | **[ ]**  |  |
| **Contact Person/Department:** | **County Counsel's Office** | **Phone:** | **530-842-8100** |
| **Address:** | **1312 Fairlane Road, Yreka, CA** |
| **Person Appearing/Title:** | **Natalie Reed, Assistant County Counsel/Kirk Skierski, Planning Director/Rick Dean, Community Development Director** |
| **Subject/Summary of Issue:** |
| Board discussion, direction, and possible action regarding first reading of a regular ordinance adding Article 3.5 to Chapter 13 of Title 3 of the Siskiyou County Code regarding administrative permits for extraction of groundwater for off-parcel use and clarification and amendment of Section 3-13.601 regarding fines for violation of the Groundwater Management Ordinance. County staff has received complaints about groundwater being extracted from local wells and then delivered in water trucks to Illegal Cannabis Cultivation sites, most of which are without legally established residences and used exclusively for Illegal Cannabis Cultivation. Amendments to the Code to add an administrative permit requirement for extraction of groundwater for off-parcel use is brought forward to ensure extraction for off-parcel use is incidental to a lawful activity and is for land uses consistent with zoning. Amendments to the civil penalities section of the Groundwater Management ordinance clarify the section's application and indicate the fines applicable to violators who fail to obtain the proposed administrative permit. |
| **Financial Impact:** |
| **NO** | [ ]  | *Describe why no financial impact:*       |
| **YES** | [x]  | *Describe impact by indicating amount budgeted and funding source below* |
| Amount: |       |  |  |  |  |
| Fund:  |       |  | Description: |       | Org.: |       | Description: |       |
| Account: |       |  | Description: |       |  |
| Activity Code:  |       |  | Description: |       |  |
| Local Preference: YES [ ]  NO [ ]  |
| For Contracts – *Explain how vendor was selected:*       |
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| Additional Information: | Financial impacts related to this action would be staff time to process new permit applications. |
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| **Recommended Motion:** |
| If the Board so desires: 1. Introduce, waive, and approve the first reading of the ordinance amending Section 3-13.601 and adding Article 3.5 to Chapter 13 of Title 3 of the Siskiyou County Code regarding Groundwater Management; and 2. Direct the clerk to schedule a public hearing on, and second reading of, the ordinance as soon as practicable.    |
| **Reviewed as recommended by policy:** |  | ***Special Requests*:** |
| County Counsel |       |
| *Certified Minute Order(s)* |       | *Quantity:* |       |
| Auditor |       |
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| Personnel |       | *Other:* |       |
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***NOTE: For consideration for placement on the agenda, the original agenda worksheet and backup material must be submitted directly to the Board Clerk (after reviewing signatures have been obtained) by 12:00 p.m. on the Wednesday prior to the Board Meeting.*** Revised 1/15/15