

DOUGLAS COUNTY UPDATE:

Douglas County settled the VHR lawsuit in its favor and the program is up and running. The details of the program are posted on the County's website.

Our Deputy Director of Community Development resigned effective today June 3rd recruited by Alpine County. I asked the DA if we could file a 'reverse' restraining order to keep him in the county but that's a no-go. Needless to say I was quite disappointed. We also lost one of our engineers. Lyon county has one of our former senior planners and I want to say when you no longer need him, please send him back...

Recruiting new staff is still quite difficult as you all know and it's only going to get worse. We can only hold our breaths and hope it passes quickly.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS.

Report from Tribal Representative on impacts of Mining industry on tribal lands – including culture, burial grounds, environmental devastation, lawsuits etc.

Report on negative impacts of 'green' energy including lithium mining. Soil disturbance ratio/metal gain, water contamination, battery life, amount of coal based energy required to charge, build, recycle all forms of 'green' energy products (solar, wind, electric)*

*Since I have great concerns about the long-term environmental effects of lithium mining and stability of lithium ion batteries in general, it's better if I'm not present as I don't think I could keep my questions neutral. I will digest the report in the packet and talk with Scott after I get back. (My cousin is one of the foremost battery experts in the world. He and I talk a lot about this subject and have for years.)

Thank you, Jake.

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