



Behavioral Health

REMINDER: Behavioral Health Director will present discussion on strengthening community connections - Join Robin Roberts, Director of Mono County Behavioral Health, for a discussion on creating stronger communities and understanding one another better. These events will be held at:

- ✓ MAMMOTH LAKES LIBRARY-TUESDAY, MAY 27TH @ 6:00 PM
- ✓ BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY-THURSDAY, MAY 29TH @ 12:30 PM

Bring a Brown Bag Lunch on the 29th.

CONTACT: Ana Danielson, adanielson@monocoe.org or (760) 934-0031

Community Development

Community Development Department takes a hit – The CDD lost a key team member recently with the departure of Associate Planner Heather deBethizy. Having served Mono County citizens for over six years as an intern and planner, Heather's thorough research, IT and customer service skills, and role as lead staff for the Mono Basin RPAC community plan update, scenic byway and trails planning, digital general plan and numerous planning permits (including controversial cell-tower proposals) will be sorely missed. A sincere thank you and best wishes to Heather in her new position as city planner for Bozeman, MT.

Heather's planning duties, along with energy policy, permitting, and Long Valley Hydrologic Advisory Committee staffing responsibilities of retiring Dan Lyster (economic development), have been assumed by remaining staff Courtney Weiche, Nick Criss, Brent Calloway, Wendy Sugimura and Gerry le Francois.

Active Transportation Grant application submitted – Following Tuesday's Board approval, an application for pedestrian improvements (streetlights, sidewalk segments, pedestrian refuge islands, crosswalk beacons, curb extensions/bulb-outs) for Bridgeport and Lee Vining main streets was packaged and hand delivered in Sacramento. Big thanks to Wendy Sugimura, Garrett Higerd, Gerry Le Francois, Kelly Garcia of Lumos & Associates, and especially Caltrans Engineer Terry Erlwein for their work on this potentially game-changing project on an interregional state highway that also serves as our main street.

CONTACT: CD Ritter, (760) 924-1804

County Administrator's Office

2014 National Association of Arts and Culture Award Deadline EXTENDED to June 5 -- The application deadline for the 2014 NACo Arts and Culture Award has been extended to 11:59 p.m. EDT on June 5th and Mono County Probation and the Mono County Council for the Arts are partnering to submit an application.

The NACo Arts and Culture Award is designed to recognize county governments and their efforts in enriching American cultural and intellectual life, promoting lifelong learning and protecting the national heritage by supporting local museums and other cultural institutions, historic preservation, America's

nonprofit arts organizations and helping children succeed in school, work and life through arts education. [Apply Now](#) -- NACo contact: [Yael Lazarus](#) · 202.661.8819

CONTACT: Jim Leddy, (707) 529-4510

California State Association of Counties seeking award winning programs – Last year Mono County Behavioral Health was recognized with an award from the California State association of Counties for their outstanding services in a rural county. This year's applications are available and due June 23rd. If your department has an innovative program in need of recognition, check out the application and let's submit one. It is crucial to show the rest of the state the great work being done by the programs in Mono County.

The California State Association of Counties (CSAC) invites you to enter our 2014 Challenge Awards competition - These unique awards recognize the creative spirit of California county governments as they find innovative, effective and cost-saving ways to provide programs and services to their citizens. This is a wonderful opportunity to spotlight your county's best practices.

Deadline for applications is entries must be postmarked by June 27th, 2014.

Check out application [here](#).

CONTACT: Jim Leddy, (707) 529-5410

The Strategic Plan moving forward! – We are starting a weekly Strategic Plan Update e-newsletter which will be separate from the Board Update. This email will go to all employees and sent out on Fridays. This first one which will be going out will have two documents for all employees: 1) the draft of all of the ideas put forth on Ma 1st and a request for feedback especially from those that were unable to attend.

The homework assignment will gather additional feedback for the document – then we will be sending out our employee led ambassadors to have discussion with everyone unable to attend to further get their information into the document.

We are working to have a brief update before the Board on June 10th and will hopefully have gotten back more valuable feedback. As a reminder:

The next Steering Committee will be May 29th at Lee Vining Community Center.

CONTACT: Jim Leddy, (707) 529-4510

County Budget Town Halls Underway! – All staff are invited to attend. These presentations were started last year and go through the entire county to provide budget information and an opportunity for questions and ideas from the community.

Tuesday, May 27th
North County Employees Budget Briefing
Memorial Hall
8:00am

Tuesday, May 27th
Benton Community Center
58869 Highway 120, Benton
6:00 pm to 8:30 pm



Wednesday, May 28th
South County Employees Budget Briefing
Minaret Mall Suite Z – Note Location!
8:00 am

If people are unable to attend those, we are also able to meet with people at their convenience to answer questions and receive feedback on ideas to help us with our Budget development.

CONTACT: Jim Leddy, (707) 529-4510

Economic Development

Meets & Greets: Staff attended a reception at the Double Eagle in June Lake on May 22 for Shelley Abajian, Senator Feinstein's assistant, and will attend the Meet & Greet in Mammoth Lakes on May 23 for Congressman Paul Cook.

US Forest Service Management Revision Plan – Staff will attend the public workshop in Bishop on June 19th regarding the “Need to Change” planning process.

Media Coverage: Mono County received exposure in a few excellent mainstream media outlets –

- Trip Advisors’ “Twenty Surreal Places You Need to See to Believe” - http://www.tripadvisor.com/TripNews-a_ctr.surrealplacesEN
- CNN’s “America’s Amazing & Weird Rock Formations” - http://www.cnn.com/2014/05/19/travel/crazy-rock-formations/index.html?hpt=hp_t5
- NorCal Fishing News: GIANT PERCH landed at Crowley Lake - http://norcalfishingnews.com/stories/possible_record_perch_landed_eaten?id=1356 (Note that Crowley Lake is hosting a **Crowley Lake Perch Derby** that runs from May 23 to June 29. Entry fee is \$20 and first prize is worth \$500 cash.) There’s a \$500 bonus to anyone who breaks the state record.

Editorial/Advertising:

- Sunset Magazine’s “*The California Road Trips*” guide gains popularity every year with a distribution of 600,000 in the June 2014 issue of Sunset magazine, and an additional 400,000 through domestic and international direct fulfillment and at trade shows. To see Mono County’s page and ad: http://www.nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/sunset/california_roadtrips2014/#/28 Check out the entire guide on [Visit California's website](#).

2014 SPRING & SUMMER FISHING DERBIES

APRIL 27 – JUNE 15	Round-Up at the Lake Spring Fishing Derby – Convict Lake
JUNE 4-5	Hangman's Bend Derby – Convict Lake
JUNE 21	Bridgeport Trout Tournament – Bridgeport
JUNE 28	Department of Fish & Wildlife's Trout Fest – Hot Creek Hatchery
JUNE 28 – JULY 4	Mono Village 4th of July Fishing Derby – Upper Twin Lakes, Bridgeport
JULY 1-31	How Big is Big Fishing Derby – Walker
JULY 24	Wide Fishing Festival – Mammoth Lakes
AUGUST 3-11	Mono Village Summer Fishing Derby – Upper Twin Lakes, Bridgeport
AUGUST 8-10	Size Doesn't Matter Fishing Derby – Walker / Coleville

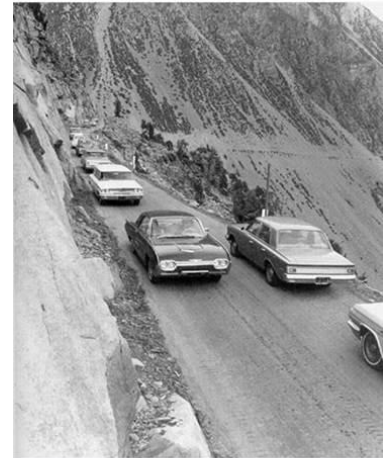
FISHING REPORTS - MAPS - REGULATIONS - EVENTS - LODGING - DIRECT FLIGHTS
www.MonoCounty.org/Fishing 800-845-7922

- Western Outdoor News/ Sierra Fisherman – Full-page ads featuring current photos of lakes in Mono County:

Social Media:

- Memorial Day/Spring E-Newsletter went out to visitor database of almost 20,000 people – 24% opened the newsletter (industry average is 18.2%).
- Facebook post on May 21 with photo of Tioga Pass Rd. in the 60's broke our "share" record with 804 fans sharing, and a reach of over 109,000 people.

Memorial Day Travelers: Monitor Pass - Hwy 89, Sonora Pass - Hwy 108, and Tioga Pass – Hwy 120 are temporarily closed due to an awesome spring storm passing over the Sierra right now. The system will exit the region tonight and temperatures... See More — with Casey Sorrells and Sterling Armstrong-Cate.



Unlike · Comment · Share 804
Mono County Tourism - California's Eastern Sierra, Danny Rodriguez and 1,229 others like this. Top Comments ·

Public Health



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

Tick activity appears to be increasing earlier than usual in Mono County. We are interested in identifying all ticks to see if they are a type with the potential of causing disease in humans. If you have one, or remove one from yourself, household member, pet, or patient, please use clear tape and attach to a 3x5 card, sticky note, etc., dead or alive! Call me to come and pick it up: 760-914-0496, or drop it off at the Health Department above Giovanni's from 8-12, or 1-5, M-F.

Wanted: Dead or Alive!!

CONTACT: Dr. Rick Johnson, : (760) 914-0496



Public Works

Solar Project Rebates – Public Works received rebates totaling \$8,168 from the Southern California Edison (SCE) California Solar Initiative Rebate Program for the Crowley Lake Community Center 3.5 kW and Lee Vining Community Center 7.5kW photovoltaic systems. Both systems were installed by Facilities Staff. The final inspection with SCE's contractor (which sealed the deal for the rebates) was successfully conducted by Jason Davenport.



Thank you all who were involved in making this project a success!

CONTACT: Vianey White, (760) 932-5446

Sheriff's Office

1. Our staff met with Trindel this week relating to safety for the employees.
2. I attended a SNARL lecture relating to the current drought.
3. Our office participated in the Every 15 Minute Program with Mammoth Unified School District and other agencies to try and stop drunk driving issues with young adults at the high school level.
4. Staff met with Mammoth Hospital relating to renewing the contract for inmate medical services, with specific conversation to be able to offer psych options possibly by video to inmates that need it.

CONTACT: Ralph "OB" Obenberger, (760) 932-5279

Social Services

American Red Cross offers Emergency Shelter Exercise - The American Red Cross is planning on coming to Mammoth Lakes on **June 6th and 7th** to offer an emergency shelter exercise for the DSS staff, CERT team and other interested parties.

CONTACT: Cathy Young, (760) 924-1780

You may attend one of the two trainings that will be offered on
Friday, June 6th 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm or
Saturday, June 7th 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Mono Co DSS Office
452 Old Mammoth Road 3rd Floor Conference Room