

Current Status – Budget

The Sierra Nevada Conservancy's (SNC) 2015-16 budget closed as anticipated, spending 99.7% of the total \$4,166,000 that serves as SNC's base funding. This amount is funded by the Environmental License Plate Fund (ELPF) and includes the cost savings drill of \$310,000.

Governor Brown signed the 2016-17 budget on June 27, 2016. Our base funding, which pays for operating expenses, was allocated at its regular amount and did not include a cost savings drill, as seen the last two years.

As for the SNC's grant program, we received \$200,000 in support funds from Prop 1 and \$124,000 from Prop 84. These support funds pay for some of the salaries, benefits, and travel associated with grants work. We did not receive any local assistance funding for Prop 1 this year, as we are still spending the \$10 million received last year. Finally, we received local assistance authority for \$403,000 for Prop 84. This authority allows us to utilize funds that we anticipate will be unspent from previous grants and will be coming back to the SNC.

The current status of SNC's 2016-17 budget can be viewed on page three of this report.

Current Status – Accounting

We continue to struggle to get vendors and grantees paid in a timely manner. Contracted Fiscal Services (CFS) has informed us that they are extremely backed up and will not officially close our 2015-16 books by the State Controller's Office (SCO) deadline of August 22, 2016. Missing this deadline will cause SNC's Executive Officer to receive a punitive letter that will be posted on SCO's website. The California Natural Resources Agency is working with all seven of the conservancies who use CFS for accounting to identify a consolidated approach that will help everyone. We will provide a verbal update on the accounting situation at the meeting.

Current Status – Human Resources

SNC has rolled out a new timekeeping system called Tempo. This electronic system will increase efficiency and accuracy for HR staff and all employees. SNC was using paper timesheets which were cumbersome to maintain and gather critical information from. The new Tempo system will also ensure accurate reporting of hours to invoice against the National Disaster Resilience Grant.

We have advertised the vacant position in the Outreach and Communications Unit and will provide a verbal update at the meeting.

The current SNC organizational chart can be viewed on page four of this report.

Current Status – Facilities

On July 1, 2016, SNC finalized the lease agreement with Plumas County to rent office space for Kristy Hoffman in Quincy. We appreciate the county's willingness to accommodate our needs.

Recommendation

This is an informational item only; no formal action is needed by the Board at this time, although Boardmembers are encouraged to share their thoughts and comments.

2016-17 SNC BUDGET
as of July 2016

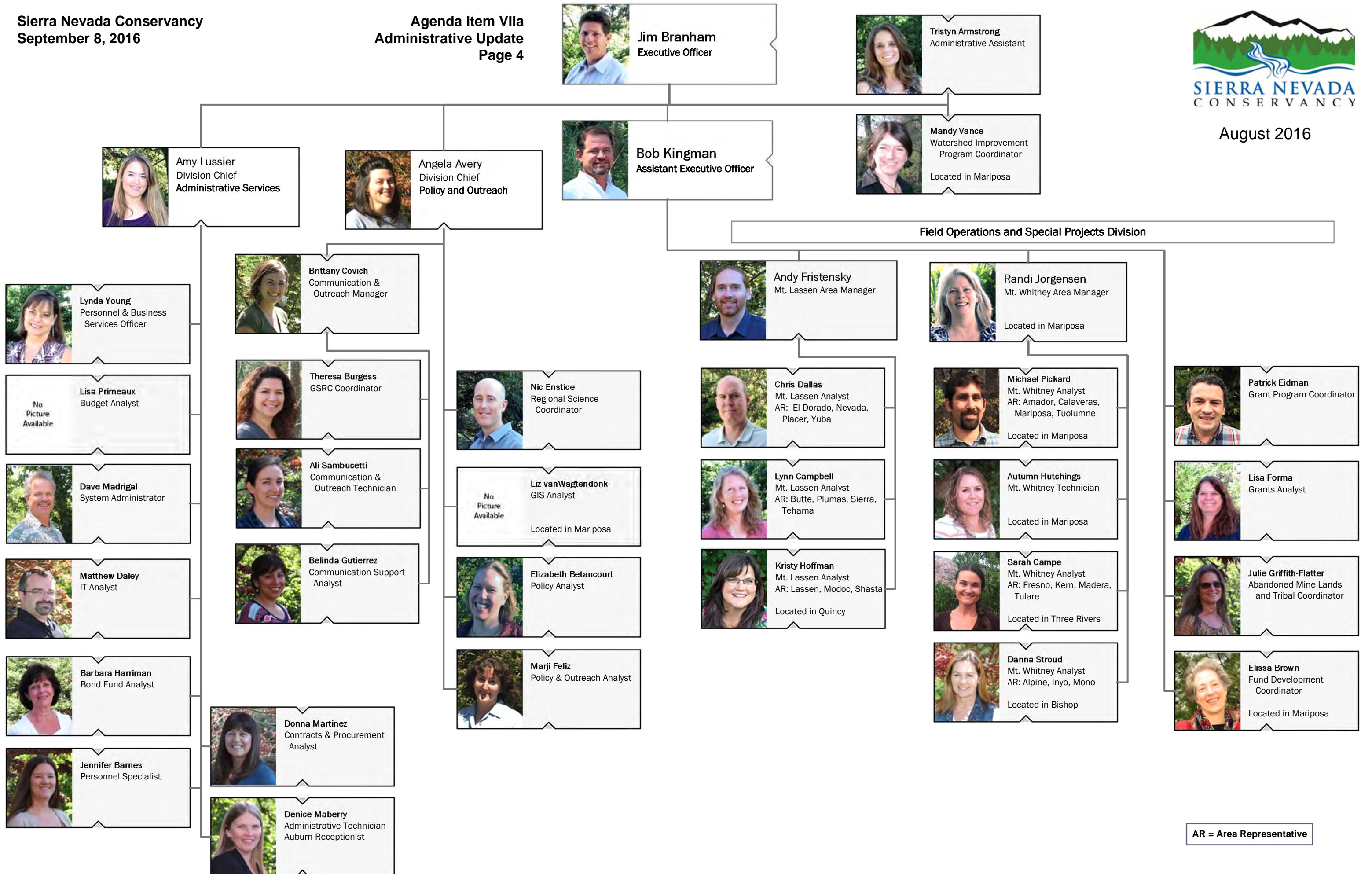
Environmental License Plate Fund (ELPF) Budget	
<i>Personal Services</i>	<i>Budgeted</i>
SALARIES AND WAGES	2,104,738
STAFF BENEFITS	1,013,406
<i>Personal Services, Totals</i>	<i>\$3,118,144</i>
<i>Operating Expenses & Equipment</i>	<i>Budgeted</i>
GENERAL EXPENSE	46,143
PRINTING (outside printing, copier maintenance)	16,394
COMMUNICATIONS (phones, delivery services)	33,600
POSTAGE	3,712
VEHICLE INSURANCE	4,424
TRAVEL	91,000
TRAINING	18,471
FACILITIES	289,720
UTILITIES	23,300
CONTRACTS- INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT	312,815
CONTRACTS- EXTERNAL	278,464
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	39,998
PRO RATA (control agency costs)	270,615
VEHICLE OPERATIONS	23,200
<i>Total Operating Expenses & Equipment</i>	<i>\$1,451,856</i>
<i>Total ELPF Budget</i>	<i>\$4,570,000</i>

Prop 1 Budget	
<i>Personal Services</i>	<i>Budgeted</i>
SALARIES AND WAGES	135,804
STAFF BENEFITS	64,196
<i>Total Prop 1 Support Budget</i>	<i>\$200,000</i>

Prop 84 Budget	
<i>Personal Services</i>	<i>Budgeted</i>
SALARIES AND WAGES	84,108
STAFF BENEFITS	39,892
<i>Total Prop 84 Support Budget</i>	<i>\$124,000</i>
<i>Local Assistance</i>	<i>Budgeted</i>
PROP 84 LOCAL ASSISTANCE	403,000
<i>Total Prop 84 Budget</i>	<i>\$527,000</i>



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AR = Area Representative