October 1, 2008  12:00 - 5:00 PM
Field Trip
Members of the Board and staff will participate in a field trip focusing on issues and activities relevant to the Conservancy’s mission in the East Subregion. The field trip will begin at the Mammoth Welcome Center, 2520 Main Street (State Rt. 203), Mammoth Lakes, CA. Members of the public are invited to participate in the field trip but are responsible for their own lunch and transportation. Limited space on the bus may be available, please call (530) 823-4672 to determine availability.

October 2, 2008  9:00 AM
Grand Sierra Lodge, Emerald Room
1111 Forest Trail
Mammoth Lakes, CA

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of June 5, 2008 Meeting Minutes

IV. Public Comments

Provide an opportunity for the public to comment on non-agenda items.

V. Chairman’s Report (INFORMATIONAL)

a. State Budget Update
b. Board meeting schedule for 2009
c. Presentation from Greg James, Special Counsel – Inyo County on the Lower Owens River Project.

VI. Executive Officer’s Report (INFORMATIONAL)

a. Budget/Staffing Update
b. 2008-09 Grants Update
c. Sierra Nevada License Plate Update
d. “Greening the SNC” Update
e. Strategic Plan Update Process
f. Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council Update – Jayne Battey Executive Director
VII. Deputy Attorney General’s Report (INFORMATIONAL)

VIII. Schedule for Expenditures of Proposition 84 funds (ACTION)

Staff will review the current schedule for expending Proposition 84 funds and will recommend possible revisions to the schedule. The Board may take action to revise previous directives on Proposition 84 grant expenditures.

IX. Climate Change (ACTION)

The Board will review and may take action on a recommended plan for development and implementation of a Sierra Nevada Climate Change Initiative.

X. Draft Annual Report (ACTION)

The Board will review and may approve a final draft annual report that is statutorily required.

XI. SNC Indicators Project (ACTION)

The Board will review and may take action on a recommended set of SNC Indicators as called for in the Strategic Plan.

XII. Review of Organizational Progress To Date (INFORMATIONAL)

The Board will discuss organizational progress to date, including, but not limited to: 1) Strategic Plan objectives and guiding principles; 2) addressing major Sierra issues such as climate change, fire and land use; and, 3) opportunities for future funding.

XIII. Recognition of Board Members Whiteside and Tollefson

XIV. Board Members’ Comments

XV. Public Comments

XVI. Adjournment