

# 2026 Current Fiscal Year Report: Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument Advisory Council

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## 1. Department or Agency

Department of the Interior

## 2. Fiscal Year

2026

## 3. Committee or Subcommittee

Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument Advisory Council

## 3b. GSA

## Committee No.

2547

## 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year? 5. Current Charter 6. Expected Renewal Date 7. Expected Term Date

No 01/08/2021 01/08/2023

## 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year? 8b. Specific Termination Authority 8c. Actual Term Date

No P.L. 113-291, Sec. 3092

## 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate? 10b. Legislation Pending?

Continue Not Applicable Not Applicable

## 11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

## 12. Specific Establishment Authority 13. Effective Date 14. Committee Type 14c. Presidential?

P.L. 113-291, Sec. 3092 12/19/2014 Continuing No

## 15. Description of Committee Non Scientific Program Advisory Board

## 16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

## 17a. Open 17b. Closed 17c. Partially Closed 17d. Total

## Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	<b>Current Next</b>	
	<b>FY</b>	<b>FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$126.62	\$135.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Administrative Costs (FRNs, contractor support, In-person/hybrid/virtual meetings)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Other (all other funds not captured by any other cost category)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18e. Total Costs</b>	\$126.62	\$135.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.01	0.01

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Council was established by Section 3092 (a)(6) of Public Law 113-291, and in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. Ch. 10. The Council advises the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the preparation and implementation of the management plan.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

As described by the establishing legislation, the Council shall consist of 10 members, to be appointed by the Secretary, of whom: a. One member shall be a member of, or be nominated by, the County Commission; b. One member shall be a member of, or be nominated by, the city council of Las Vegas, Nevada; c. One member shall be a member of, or be nominated by, the city council of North Las Vegas, Nevada; d. One member shall be a member of, or be nominated by, the Las Vegas Paiute Tribe; e. One member shall be a representative of the conservation community in southern Nevada; f. One member shall be a representative of Nellis Air Force Base; g. One member shall be nominated by the State; h. One member shall reside in the County and have a background that reflects the purpose for which the Monument was established; and i. Two members shall reside in the County or adjacent counties, both of whom shall have experience in the field of paleontology, obtained through higher education, experience, or both.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

No meetings were held in FY 26 and effective January 7, 2025, the Council is administratively inactive. The Council will meet approximately 2-4 times annually, and at such times as designated by the DFO.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

Qualified advice concerning issues that affect a wide array of subjects from those of local property owners to those that affect town, county, and state

interests can only be attained from individuals who possess fundamental knowledge, understanding, and interest in those areas.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

All meetings are open to the public.

**21. Remarks**

Effective January 7, 2025, the Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument Advisory Council is administratively inactive.

**Designated Federal Officer**

Erin Elizabeth Eichenberg Superintendent

**Narrative Description**

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

**Outcome Comments**

Not Applicable

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
- \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
- Over \$10,000,000
- Cost Savings Other

**Cost Savings Comments**

Not Applicable

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

19

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

No recommendations in FY 2026. The Council is administratively inactive.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

75%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Most recommended projects are multi-year and some are still being pursued.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

25%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

The agency believed that the establishment of a Visitor Experience Subcommittee was premature in 2016 but has been reconsidered in FY 2023. TUSK has begun collecting visitor use data that is showing what types of recreation are occurring at the monument. A

subcommittee may be established to gather info through the tourism industry to determine what experiences are lacking in the LV valley or which ones we haven't thought of yet. The GMP kicked off in July 2021.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes  No  Not Applicable

**Agency Feedback Comments**

The primary form of feedback would occur at the Council meetings during the updates and status of project activities conducted by the DFO. Other less formal methods of communication can be by email and/or phone calls providing updates on particular issues.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation
- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

**Action Comments**

Not Applicable

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

Not Applicable

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site

Publications



Other



**Access Comments**

Not Applicable