

# 2026 Current Fiscal Year Report: Northern California District Resource Advisory Council

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**1. Department or Agency**

Department of the Interior

**2. Fiscal Year**

2026

**3. Committee or Subcommittee**

Northern California District Resource Advisory Council

**3b. GSA Committee No.**

2553

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

No      11/09/2023      11/09/2025

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

No      43 U.S.C. 1701

**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?**

Federal Land Policy and Management Act, Sec. 309      10/21/1976      Continuing      No

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

**16a. Total Number of Reports**      No Reports for this Fiscal Year

**17a. Open**      0      **17b. Closed**      0      **17c. Partially Closed**      0      **Other Activities**      0      **17d. Total**      0

**Meetings and Dates**

No Meetings

	<b>Current</b>	<b>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>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<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>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

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

RAC members bring perspectives from across the Northern California District, a very diverse area, to their discussions with BLM managers.. Members confer with their constituencies and share their concerns with the BLM, and share BLM positions with the interest groups they represent. This provides managers with diverse perspectives

essential for sound decision making.

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

There are efforts by the BLM to ensure the committee contains members who reside in communities across northern California and northwest Nevada, the geographic boundary of the BLM Northern California District. The committee balances its membership by reaching out to interest groups across the district, ensuring that members represent the interests set forward in the charter. This RAC is composed of 15 members, representing 3 categories: commodity, non-commodity, and local area and government interest. Each category has 5 members.

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

Estimated Number of Meetings per year is generally 3 to 4. Frequent meetings are important for RAC members and BLM managers to develop strong working relationships, and for RAC members to gain full understanding of complex issues. Input from the RAC will be critical, as the district undertakes a land use plan revision affecting two of the four field offices.

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

RAC members offer unique local perspectives to BLM decision-makers. The committee works to reach balanced recommendations by working in a collaborative way to discuss and debate topics. This could not be achieved if the BLM consulted individually with groups across the vast expanse of the BLM district.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or**

## partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings are open.

## 21. Remarks

The RAC met on May 15, 2025, and September 18, 2025.

## Designated Federal Officer

Dereck Wilson BLM Northern California District  
Manager

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Member Designation</b>
Blewett, Jeff	07/29/2020	09/21/2026	Business owner	Representative Member
Bokavich, Casey	03/05/2024	03/05/2027	Butte College Police Academy instructor	Representative Member
Carman, Stacey	06/26/2016	09/21/2026	Chief Operating Officer, Redding Rancheria	Representative Member
Efseaff, Daniel	07/29/2020	09/21/2026	District Manager, Paradise Recreation and Park District	Representative Member
Frost, Patrick	06/01/2015	09/21/2026	Natural Resources Consultant	Representative Member
Henson, Ryan	03/05/2024	03/05/2027	Policy Director for the California Wilderness Coalition	Representative Member
Karem, Richard	09/21/2023	09/21/2026	Retired	Representative Member
Kuntz, William	09/21/2023	09/21/2026	Retired	Representative Member
Lile, David	03/05/2024	03/05/2027	Natural Resources and Livestock Advisor	Representative Member
Mackey, Richard	11/04/2024	11/04/2027	Rancher	Representative Member
Martin, Steven	09/21/2023	09/21/2026	Professor	Representative Member
Montgomery, Carol	09/21/2023	09/21/2026	Co-founder and President of Stewards of the Black Rock Desert	Representative Member
Moty, Leonard	07/29/2020	09/21/2026	Retired	Representative Member

Rankin, James	09/21/2023	09/21/2026	Retired	Representative Member
Tona, Joe	09/21/2023	09/21/2026	Air Pollution Control Officer	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 15**

**Narrative Description**

The RAC considers diverse interests and concerns by by directly involving members of the public in the decision-making processes affecting the public lands. Consulting with this advisory council provides the BLM with a way for agency leaders to arrive at balanced decisions that are fully informed by public needs and desires.

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

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Outcome Comments**

Advisory council recommendations for public lands and natural resource management can directly influence public health and safety. Involving the public improves government transparency and trust. The Resource Advisory Council advises the Secretary of the Interior through the BLM, and therefore has the opportunity to influence public policy.

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

	Checked if Applies
None	<input type="checkbox"/>

- 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**

An in-depth analysis has not been done to determine cost savings associated with the RAC. However, the contributions of the RAC are of great benefit to the BLM.

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

15

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

The RAC made 4 recommendations in FY25. The RAC recommended a U.S. Forest Service fee increases for overnight use of the Sardine Peak Lookout and Calpine Lookout contained in the Tahoe National Forest Fee Proposal and fee increases at the Lookout Campground for 17 campsites and to increase the single Christmas tree permit contained in the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Fee Proposal.

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

25%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Not all of the recommended recreation fees have been implemented to-date.

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

0%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

0

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to**

**implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes  No  Not Applicable

**Agency Feedback Comments**

Agency will provide feedback to the RAC during public full-RAC meetings and may provide written comments if necessary (written comments would be posted on the public RAC website).

**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**

**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

