

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

## Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council

Tuesday, December 4, 2007

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Notice is hereby given to Members of the Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council (Council) and the general public, that the Council will hold a meeting, open to the public, on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 1:00 pm. pursuant to Executive Order 2007-07 at the **University of Arizona Maricopa County Cooperative Extension Office, Palo Verde Room, 4341 E. Broadway Road, Phoenix, AZ, 85040**. Public Comment will be taken; the order of the agenda may be changed to accommodate public comment. The Council will discuss and may vote to take action on the following matters:

**Meeting begins at 1:00 p.m.**

- 1. Roll Call of Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council (Council) members and sign-in.**
- 2. Welcome & Introductions.**
- 3. Approval of Minutes.** The Council will be asked to approve the minutes from November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
- 4. Overview of Arizona Pest Management Center and the Arizona Crop Information Site.** Dr. Al Fournier, Integrated Pest Management Program Manager and Assistant Specialist in Entomology from University of Arizona will describe the Arizona Pest Management Center and the Arizona Crop Information Site (website).  
Presenter: Dr. Al Fournier
- 5. Overview of Arizona Water Institute.** Kathy Jacobs, Executive Director of the Arizona Water Institute will describe the 3-university (Arizona State University, University of Arizona, and Northern Arizona University) virtual water institute initiated by the Governor of Arizona. Presenter: Kathy Jacobs
- 6. Strategies for meeting invasive species information management needs.** Representatives from the Arizona Government Information Technology Agency (GITA) will be in attendance and will give an overview of the mission, role and function of GITA. The Council will engage in a brief discussion with GITA regarding identified information management needs and task force goals as identified in the draft invasive species management plan. The Council will seek to populate a task force lead by GITA and charged with recommending a suitable information management system to meet Arizona's needs, and identify future meeting dates and locations. Presenters: GITA; Larry Riley; Brian McGrew; Marianne Meding
- 7. Leadership & Coordination and Research & Information Management Working Group reports and Council Discussion of draft management plan.** Leadership & Coordination and Research & Information Management work group co-leads will report to the Council regarding their November 16 meeting to address changes to draft management plan recommendations following guidance from the Governor's office. The co-leads will also report on discussions regarding guidance from the

Council at the November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting to suggest parties responsible for providing a leadership role in statewide coordination. The Council will discuss the draft recommendations and will strive to reach consensus on which proposed alternative for a Center for Invasive Species should be recommended in the management plan. Barring consensus, the Council may conduct a prioritization of proposed alternatives for addressing invasive species coordination in Arizona (Center for invasive species alternatives). Council members may vote to accept one of the identified alternatives as the recommended framework for an Arizona center for invasive species. Presenters: Brian McGrew; Chantal O'Brien; Doug Witte; Kai Umeda

**8. Invasive species memorandum of understanding (MOU) among State Agencies, Federal Agencies and stakeholders.** A progress report on the development of a statewide invasive species MOU will be given. Presenters: Arizona Game and Fish Department; Arizona State Parks

**9. Anticipation & Outreach and Control & Management work group updates and acceptance of charters.** Anticipation and Outreach and Control and Management work group co-leads will report to the Council and give an update on progress and status towards achieving deliverables outlined in the working group charters. Presenters: Ty Gray/Kai Umeda (Anticipation & Outreach); John Brock/Joanne Roberts (Control & Management).

**10. Discussion regarding the need to provide a progress update on the draft statewide invasive species management plan.** Council members may vote to direct staff to seek public input on the recommendations put forth by the Leadership & Coordination and Research & Information Management work groups.

**11. Call to the Public.** Those persons wishing to speak should complete a speaker's card and present it to the facilitator. Comments will be limited to no more than three minutes. No discussion or action will be taken by the Council. Any items requiring further discussion of action will be included on a future Council meeting agenda.

**12. Future agenda Items.**

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*The agenda may be revised and additional items may be added prior to the meeting as authorized by A.R.S. §38-431.02. In that event, an addendum to the agenda will be noticed and posted prior to the meeting at the Arizona Department of Administration. Agenda items not noticed for a specific time may be taken out of order.*

*Background materials provided to the Council members concerning public agenda items are available for public inspection on the Governor's Office Arizona Invasive Species Advisory Council Web site: <http://www.azgovernor.gov/ais/>, by contacting Marianne Meding, Arizona Game and Fish Department, 5000 W. Carefree Hwy, Phoenix, AZ 85086 or Brian McGrew, Arizona Department of Agriculture, 1688 W. Adams, Phoenix, AZ 85007, and at the meetings.*

*The Council may go into executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Attorney General's Office on any of the above agenda items pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).*

*One or more members of the Council may appear and participate in the meeting telephonically or by other electronic means.*

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