## Idaho State Bar Environmental & Natural Resources Section Minutes of Meeting of February 25, 2015

## APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the January 28, 2015 meeting were circulated with the first meeting notice and were posted to the Section website. A motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded. Motion carries.

#### DONATION TO ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SOCIETY

At the last meeting, the group approved a \$250 donation to the Environmental Law Society at U of I, to defray costs of bringing speakers to Moscow. Dylan informed Everard Baker, VP of the ELS, of the donation, and he was very appreciative. Mahmood has been informed and should cut the check shortly, if he hasn't already.

## **MENTORSHIP PROGRAM WITH ELS**

Dylan also discussed mentorship opportunities with Everard, and he said he would solicit feedback internally on what the ELS would like to get out of a mentorship program. Dylan has not yet heard back by the time of this meeting.

## **MARCH MEETING**

The Section had also discussed the possibility of a get-together with ELS members during U of I's Spring Break by moving the March 25 meeting one week earlier to March 18. I asked Everard for an estimate of how many ELS members would be able to attend. However, as of the time of this meeting, he had not responded with a number. Therefore, it does not appear that moving the meeting is warranted.

## ADVOCATE

Nick Warden reports that Advocate article submissions are due March 11, 2015, and that there are four articles in the works.

#### **CLE PLANNING**

Upcoming CLEs include:

- March 25: Liz Schulte & Michael Bogert, Parsons Behle & Lattimer (Sage grouse/ESA)
- April 22: Joe Leckie, Idaho PUC (topic TBD)
- May 27: Ilana Rubel, Idaho House of Reps. (legislative wrap-up)

# **TODAY'S CLE**

Rick Johnson, the Executive Director of the Idaho Conservation League discussed the the current competing proposals to designate the Boulder-White Clouds as a wilderness area or a national monument.