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## Agenda Item Report

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**Title:** Appointments to the Conservation Lands and Resources Advisory Board

**Introduction / Background:** Effective FY25, the Conservation Lands and Resources Department (CLR) was established by combining the natural resources functions of the Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation department with the Office of Sustainability & Conservation. On August 5, 2025, an external, 16-person CLR Advisory Board was established with the purpose to maintain broad community engagement and guide CLR into the future. The purpose of this item is to appoint members to the Advisory Board.

**Discussion:** The Advisory Board will consist of 16 members, with one appointed by each of the five Supervisors and 11 additional members in specific constituent group categories. The attached memo contains the full list of appointee categories and the current proposed appointees for the CLR Advisory Board.

**Conclusion:** This agenda item will approve the initial appointees to the CLR Advisory Board.

**Recommendation:** The Conservation Lands and Resources Department recommends approval of the proposed advisory board appointees.

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Support of Prosperity Initiative:** N/A

**Provide information that explains how this activity supports the selected Prosperity Initiative** N/A

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## MEMORANDUM

Date: August 14, 2025

To: Jan Leshner  
County Administrator

From: Kris Gade, PhD *KG*  
Director, Conservation Lands and Resources

Re: **CLR Advisory Board Appointments**

Effective July 1, 2024, the Conservation Lands and Resources Department (CLR) was established by combining the natural resources functions of the Natural Resources, Parks & Recreation department with the Office of Sustainability & Conservation. CLR is now launching an external, 16-person CLR Advisory Board with the purpose of maintaining broad community engagement and guiding CLR into the future. A resolution establishing the advisory board was approved on August 5, 2025.

The composition of the advisory board is as follows:

- Each Board of Supervisors member may appoint one Advisor to be approved by the full board.
- The Board of Supervisors, as a whole, will vote to appoint 11 additional Advisors in specific categories/constituent groups.
- Each Supervisor appointee will serve a 6-year term; the appointees in the additional categories will start with 2 or 4-year terms to allow for staggered turn over.

The table below lists the constituent groups to be represented and the proposed appointees for each.

Constituent Group	Proposed Appointee	Initial Term
Board of Supervisors District 1	Christina McVie (appointed 8/18/2025)	6 years
Board of Supervisors District 2	To be nominated by Supervisor Heinz	6 years
Board of Supervisors District 3	To be nominated by Supervisor Allen	6 years
Board of Supervisors District 4	To be nominated by Supervisor Christy	6 years
Board of Supervisors District 5	To be nominated by Supervisor Cano	6 years
Tohono O'odham Nation representative	To be determined	4 years
Pascua Yaqui Tribe representative	To be determined	4 years
Environmental conservation expert or resource management organization	Carolyn Campbell	2 years
Historic preservation / cultural protection expert or practitioner	Karl Hoerig	4 years
Local development community	David Godlewski	2 years
Tourism community	Meredith Lipscomb	2 years
Active rancher or agricultural commodity producer	Sarah King	4 years
Trail user or trail advocacy organization	Sue Clark	2 years
K-12 Education practitioner	Eric Dhruv	2 years
Native plant or nursery expert	Jack Dash	4 years
Wildlife expert or organization	Scott Feldhausen	4 years