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Notes to Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining

Agenda for March 24, 2003 at 1:30 pm

Re: A.B. 371 - Requiring State Land conveyance of Clear Creek Youth Camp to the FFA Foundation

Representing Dias Con Cristo, their Board Chairperson, Andy Rice

Dias Con Cristo, a Christian Retreat Organization, previously known as Tres Dias, & Cursillo:

- Has held over 100 weekend retreats at the Clear Creek facility since 1974.
- Has supported Clear Creek financially over the past 29 years.
- Revenue generated for just the last 12 months for two weekends totals approximately \$8,000.
- Cursillo was instrumental in the acquisition of this facility by the State of Nevada from the Federal Government
- Has performed repairs and maintenance including painting dorms, replacement of flooring, and laying of concrete at our expense
- Participants primarily reside in Northern Nevada communities such as Carson City, Reno, Gardnerville, Fallon, Fernly.
- There is a shortage of suitable facilities in Northern Nevada
- It is imperative that we continue affordable access to Clear Creek
- **We respectfully request that A.B. 371 be amended to include utilization of Clear Creek by religious, civic, and youth organizations.**