

WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION ("WRWC") AGENDA

Wednesday, March 15, 2017
9:00 a.m.

Sparks Council Chambers, Legislative Building
745 Fourth St., Sparks, Nevada

TRUSTEES

Vaughn Hartung, Chairman
Ron Smith, Vice Chair
Sandra Ainsworth, Secretary-
Treasurer

Donald Abbott
Naomi Duerr
Jeanne Herman

Neoma Jardon
Bob Lucey

NOTICE OF POSSIBLE QUORUM OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER
AUTHORITY ("TMWA"), AND/OR A POSSIBLE QUORUM OF THE WASHOE COUNTY COMMISSION

(See following Notes)

Notes: Because several of the WRWC Trustees are also members of the Board of Directors of TMWA and/or the Board of County Commissioners ("BCC"), it is possible that a quorum of the TMWA Board and/or a quorum of the BCC may be present. Such members will not deliberate or take action at this meeting as members of the TMWA Board or the BCC, but may take action exclusively in their capacity as WRWC Trustees.

1. Items on this agenda on which action may be taken are followed by the term "For Possible Action". Non-action items are followed by an asterisk (*).
2. Public comment is limited to three minutes per speaker and is allowed during the public comment periods, and before action is taken on any action item. Comments are to be directed to the Commission as a whole. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers. The public may sign-up to speak during the public comment period or on a specific agenda item by completing a "Request to Speak" card and submitting it to the clerk.
3. Items on this agenda may be taken out of order, combined with other agenda items for consideration, removed from the agenda, or delayed for discussion at any time. Arrive at the meeting at the posted time to hear item(s) of interest.
4. Supporting material provided to the Commission for items on the agenda is available to members of the public at the Western Regional Water Commission ("WRWC") offices, 1001 E 9th Street, Reno, NV, from Jim Smitherman, Water Resources Program Manager, (775) 954-4657, and on the WRWC website at <http://www.wrwc.us>
5. The Washoe County Commission Chambers are accessible to the disabled. We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for persons who are disabled and wish to attend meetings. If you require special arrangements for the meeting, please call (775) 954-4657 no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting.
6. In accordance with NRS 241.020, this agenda has been posted at the following locations: Reno City Hall (1 East First Street), Sparks City Hall (431 Prater Way), Sparks Justice Court (1675 East Prater Way), Sun Valley GID (5000 Sun Valley Blvd.), TMWA (1355 Capital Blvd.), Washoe County Administration Building (1001 E. 9th Street), Second Judicial District Court/Courthouse (75 Court Street), Washoe County Central Library (301 South Center St.), Washoe County Community Services Department (1001 E. 9th Street), Galena Market (19990 Thomas Creek Rd.), Galena High School (3600 Butch Cassidy Way), South Valleys Library (15650A Wedge Parkway), the WRWC website: <http://www.wrwc.us> and the State of Nevada website at <https://notice.nv.gov>

1. Roll Call and Determination of Presence of a Quorum. *
2. Pledge of Allegiance. *
3. Public Comment – limited to no more than three minutes per speaker. *
4. Approval of Agenda. **(For Possible Action)**
5. Introduction of new WRWC Trustees. *
6. Approval of the Minutes of the January 18, 2017, meeting. **(For Possible Action)**

7. Discussion on the development of a regional storm water drainage Geographic Information System (GIS) map, including procedure, required entities / parties, and scope and funding, and possible direction to staff – Jim Smitherman WRWC Water Resources Program Manager and Chris Wessel, WRWC Water Management Planner. **(For Possible Action)**
8. Review, discussion, and possible approval of the draft WRWC tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018, and possible direction to staff regarding the time and place for a public hearing on the tentative budget – Jim Smitherman and Chris Wessel. **(For Possible Action)**
9. Presentation on the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan, recommended by the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”) for adoption by the WRWC, including a report on the public hearing held March 1, 2017, discussion on the public review and adoption process, and possible direction to staff — Jim Smitherman, **(For Possible Action)**
10. Report on legislative activities, including Bill Draft Requests and Bills pending in the 2017 session of the Nevada Legislature, as of March 9, 2017, that may affect or are of interest to the WRWC / NNWPC, and possible approval or revision of recommendations made by the WRWC Legislative Subcommittee – John Rhodes, WRWC Legal Counsel. **(For Possible Action)**.
11. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding agenda items and dates for future WRWC meetings – Jim Smitherman. **(For Possible Action)**
12. Commission Comments *
13. Staff Comments *
14. Public comment – limited to no more than three minutes per speaker *
15. Adjournment. **(For Possible Action)**

**WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
DRAFT MINUTES**

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

The regular meeting of the Western Regional Water Commission (“WRWC”) Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, January 16, 2017, at the Washoe County Commission Chambers, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada.

1. Roll Call and Determination of Presence of a Quorum

Chairman Hartung called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. There was a quorum present.

Commissioners Present:

Vaughn Hartung
Naomi Duerr
Sandra Ainsworth
Jenny Brekhus

Jeanne Herman
Donald Abbott
Bob Lucey (present at 9:06 a.m.)
Ron Smith

Appointed by:

Washoe County
City of Reno
Sun Valley General Improvement District (“SVGID”)
Truckee Meadows Water Authority (“TMWA”, City of Reno)
TMWA (Washoe County)
City of Sparks
TMWA (STMGID Successor)
TMWA (City of Sparks)

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Ainsworth.

3. Public Comment

None

4. Approval of Agenda (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER DUERR MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SEVEN (7) MEMBERS PRESENT.

5. Introduction of New WRWC Trustees

Donald Abbott was introduced as the new WRWC Trustee. Chair Hartung thanked Charlene Bybee for her work on the WRWC.

6. Election of Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer for the 2017 calendar year – Jim Smitherman, WRWC Water Resources Program Manager. (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE A MOTION TO REAPPOINT CHAIR HARTUNG AS WRWC CHAIR, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERMAN.

Commissioner Brekhus discussed the fact that a City of Reno representative has never served as WRWC Chair and suggested that the rules be revisited and changed so that the position of Chair rotates giving each agency a chance to serve as Chair.

Commissioner Duerr expressed interest in serving as Chair.

(Commissioner Lucey present at 9:06 a.m.)

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH FIVE (5) IN FAVOR AND THREE (3) OPPOSITIONS BY COMMISSIONERS BREKHUS, DUERR, AND AINSWORTH.

COMMISSIONER LUCEY MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER SMITH AS WRWC VICE-CHAIR, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HARTUNG. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH SIX (6) IN FAVOR AND TWO (2) OPPOSITIONS BY COMMISSIONERS DUERR AND AINSWORTH.

COMMISSIONER DUERR MADE A MOTION TO REAPPOINT COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH AS SECRETARY-TREASURER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

It was confirmed that there is still currently one vacant WRWC position. A Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility ("TMWRF") representative has not yet been jointly appointed by the Cities of Reno and Sparks.

7. Approval of the Minutes of the September 21, 2016, Meeting (For Possible Action)

COMMISSIONER LUCEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2016, MINUTES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERMAN. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

8. Presentation of a proposal, recommended by the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission ("NNWPC"), to update the Truckee Meadows Watershed Management and Protection Plan for Tributaries to the Truckee River; possible approval of a request for \$70,000 from the Regional Water Management Fund ("RWMF") to begin the update process; and, if approved, authorize the Chairman to execute an interlocal agreement with the City of Reno for that purpose – Chris Wessel, WRWC Water Management Planning. (For Possible Action)

Chris Wessel, WRWC Water Management Planning, presented an overview of the staff report regarding the need to update the Truckee Meadows Watershed Management and Protection Plan for Tributaries to the Truckee River. The Storm Water Permit Coordinating Committee ("SWPCC") intends to update the Plan to meet specific criteria so that the community would qualify to apply for federal funding. The requested funds will provide the initial investigation required for the Plan update.

Chair Hartung asked if conversations on this item would include Flood Management.

Mr. Wessel explained for Chair Hartung that the regulation calls out the elements for flood water and storm water separately.

Teresa Jones, SWPCC Coordinator, confirmed that this is a water quality plan and discussed the need for the Plan to be updated and approved by the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA").

COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL AND FUNDING AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF RENO IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$70,000.00), SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DUERR. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

9. Presentation on the Nevada Integrated Source Water Protection (“ISWP”) Program, and possible approval of a letter requesting participation in the program for the Washoe County geographic planning area – Chris Wessel. (For Possible Action)

Mr. Wessel presented an overview of the staff report. The Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”) voted unanimously to recommend that the WRWC approve and provide a letter of support for the ISWP Program.

The WRWC decided not to hear the presentation on the program at this time as it will be given at the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (“TMWA”) meeting.

COMMISSIONER DUERR MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE REPORT AND APPROVE THE LETTER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LUCEY. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

10. Discussion and possible establishment of the WRWC Legislative Subcommittee for the 2017 session of the Nevada Legislature, and possible direction to staff – Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

Jim Smitherman, WRWC Water Resources Program Manager, presented an overview of the staff report and recommended that the WRWC establish a Legislative Subcommittee for the 2017 Legislative session.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT COMMISSIONERS ABBOTT, DUERR, AND AINSWORTH TO THE WRWC LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE 2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BREKHUS. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

11. Discussion and possible approval of the schedule for review of the draft 2016 Regional Water Management Plan (“RWMP”) update, and possible direction to staff – Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

Mr. Smitherman presented an overview of the staff report on the schedule for review of the draft RWMP update.

- February 17, 2017 - Publish 10-day notice of NNWPC public hearing
- March 1, 2017 - NNWPC public hearing required by statute, and possible resolution to submit the Plan to the WRWC with a recommendation for adoption
- March 17, 2017 - Submit attested copy of the Plan to the WRWC (on or before March 17)
- March 17, 2017 - Deliver copy of the Plan to the Washoe County Clerk for 30-day public inspection period, and publish notice of availability
- TBA 2017 - Hold afternoon / evening public workshop

- April 8, 2017 - Publish 10-day notice of WRWC public hearing (On or before April 8)
- April 19, 2017 - WRWC public hearing required by statute, and possible adoption of the Plan, as amended.

Chair Hartung requested that a copy of the draft be placed on file with the clerks of the City of Reno and the City of Sparks. He also suggested that flexibility be allowed in the schedule as needed.

COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TENTATIVE SCHEDULE AS PRESENTED BY STAFF, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

12. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding agenda items and dates for future WRWC meetings – Jim Smitherman. (For Possible Action)

Mr. Smitherman presented an overview of the staff report regarding the schedule for 2017 meetings of the WRWC.

- January 17, 2017 - Election of officers
- March 15, 2017 - Submit attested copy of the 2016 RWMP update to the WRWC
- April 19, 2017 - WRWC public hearing and possible adoption of the Plan update, and Review draft FY 17-18 budget
- May 17, 2017 - WRWC public hearing and possible adoption of the FY 17-18 budget
- June 21, 2017 - Contract renewals prior to end of FY 16-17
- August 16, 2017 - Receive cloud seeding program annual report and possible approval of contract for following year
- November 15, 2017 - Review/approve annual audit and financial statements for FY 16-17

Chair Hartung requested that a review of the cloud seeding program be added around April.

COMMISSIONER DUERR MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HERMAN. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH EIGHT (8) MEMBERS PRESENT.

13. Commission Comments

None

14. Staff Comments

None

15. Public Comment

None

16. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Christine Birmingham, Recording Secretary

Approved by Commission in session on _____ 2017.

Chair Vaughn Hartung

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Western Regional Water Commission

STAFF REPORT

DATE: March 9, 2017

TO: Chairman and Members, Western Regional Water Commission

FROM: Jim Smitherman, Water Resources Program Manager
Chris Wessel, Water Management Planner

SUBJECT: Discussion on the development of a regional storm water drainage Geographic Information System (“GIS”) map, including procedure, required entities / parties, and scope and funding, and possible direction to staff.

SUMMARY

The subject of storm water drainage mapping has come up recently in multiple discussions at staff level among WRWC member entities. Flooding occurrences this winter form the context for the most recent discussions; however, the topic has also been raised concerning storm water quality and the Truckee Meadows Regional Storm Water Quality Management Program.

Staff has engaged in preliminary discussions with Reno, Sparks, Washoe County and the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency to inquire about drainage mapping in GIS format. Each local government possesses GIS data for drainage in various levels of completeness. In some cases, development-related changes to drainage infrastructure are documented on paper maps, but have not been recorded as GIS data. TMRPA staff does not maintain storm water drainage GIS data, other than what might have been made available by the local governments, but has expressed interest in helping to compile and maintain a regional dataset.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the WRWC consider the need for a regional storm water drainage GIS dataset, procedure, entities and parties that would need to be involved, scope and funding for a project to compile and maintain such a dataset, and provide direction to staff.

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Western Regional Water Commission

STAFF REPORT

DATE: March 9, 2017

TO: Chairman and Members, Western Regional Water Commission

FROM: Jim Smitherman, Water Resources Program Manager
Chris Wessel, Water Management Planner

SUBJECT: Review, discussion, and possible approval of the draft Western Regional Water Commission (“WRWC”) tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018, and possible direction to staff regarding the time and place for a public hearing on the tentative budget.

SUMMARY

Staff has developed a draft Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018 tentative budget for the WRWC including revenues and expenses for staff and non-staff professional services. The attached budget summary and worksheets show details for professional services related to priority projects and routine operating expenses. On February 1, 2017, the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”) reviewed and approved the draft Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018 tentative budget and made a recommendation to the WRWC for approval.

BACKGROUND

The WRWC is required to prepare and submit a tentative budget to the Nevada Department of Taxation on or before April 15, and to hold a public hearing on the tentative budget not sooner than the third Monday in May, and not later than the last day in May. NRS 354.596(4). The attached tentative budget is provided for WRWC review, discussion, possible approval, and possible direction to staff.

PREVIOUS ACTION

None

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal year 2017-2018 draft tentative budget projects \$1,460,216 in revenue, \$2,324,926 in expenses, and an ending cash balance of approximately \$438,367. Budget expenses include a maximum of \$1,621,926 for WRWC work plan activities, \$617,000 for three full time staff and legal services, and various routine operating expenses in the amount of \$86,000.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the WRWC approve the draft WRWC tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018, direct staff to submit the tentative budget to the Washoe County auditor, file the tentative budget for public inspection with the Washoe County Clerk, and the Nevada Department of Taxation, and establish a time and date of 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, or other appropriate time and date, for the public hearing on the tentative budget.

POSSIBLE MOTION

"Move to approve the draft WRWC tentative budget for fiscal year 2017 - 2018, direct staff to submit and file the tentative budget as required by statute, and provide notice, as required by law, for the public hearing on the tentative budget at 9:30 a.m. on May 17, 2017 (or any other appropriate time and date)."

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Attachment: Draft WRWC Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018 Tentative Budget

**Western Regional Water Commission
Fiscal Year July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018
Tentative Budget Summary Worksheet**

Budget Category	1.5% WMF	NOTE	Washoe County In-Kind	NOTE	TMWA In-Kind	NOTE	SVGID In-Kind	NOTE
REVENUE	Amount		Amount		Amount		Amount	
Estimated Water Surcharge Revenues	1,394,568							
Grant and/or Other Revenue	40,000							
Estimated Interest Income	25,648							
Total Revenue	1,460,216		0		0		0	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES/SUPPLIES	Amount		Amount		Amount		Amount	
Estimated Professional Services (Page 2)	1,621,926	1						
Staff Services (Page 3)	617,000	2,3	0				0	
Non-Staff Services (Page 3)	86,000							
Total Professional Services/Supplies	2,324,926		0				0	
OTHER EXPENSES	Amount		Amount		Amount		Amount	
Estimated Misc.			0					
Total Other Expense	0		0		0			
Total Expenses	2,324,926		0		0		0	

Net Decrease in Cash Reserves (\$864,710)

Cash Balance as of 7/1/16	\$1,190,112
Estimated 2016/2017 Revenue (Cash Flow)	1,406,200
Estimated 2016/2017 expenditures (Page 4)	(\$1,293,235)
Estimated cash balance as of 7/1/17	\$1,303,077
Net Decrease in Cash Reserves for FY 2017-18	(\$864,710)
Estimated cash balance as of 6/30/18	\$438,367

NOTES:

- Proposed budget provides legal spending authority for projects yet to be approved by the WRWC upon recommendations provided by the NNWPC. Specific per project scope and cost yet to be developed and approved by the WRWC.
- Proposed budget provides legal spending authority for contract staff services previously approved by the WRWC.
- Includes Washoe County estimate for overhead: human resources, information technology, office space, utilities, computer hardware, software, copier, supplies, routine/administrative and GIS/drafting services.

Tentative Professional Services Budget Detail Fiscal Year 2017/2018

Professional Services Project Name	2017/2018 Budget Total	Expense Description/Example
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Precipitation Monitoring	\$30,000	
Highland Canal Water Quality Project	\$250,000	
TROA 6700 AF Water Rights Requirement	\$100,000	Water rights acquisition for TROA 6700 AF requirement
Regional Water Planning Projects	\$380,000	
Cloud Seeding	\$100,000	ILA with DRI for cloud seeding operations
Washoe ET Project	\$10,000	ILA with DRI; weather station maintenance
Water Usage Review Program	\$100,000	ILA with TMWA
Certified Landscape Technician Program	\$12,500	ILA with NLA
Regional Water Conservation	\$222,500	
Bedell Flat Infiltration	\$100,000	Hydrologic Investigations
Bedell Flat Infiltration Grant	\$0	208 grant (40K; see <i>Grant and/or Other Revenue</i> ; Page 1)
Integrated Wastewater and Reclaimed Water System Planning	\$204,000	Advanced Water Treatment Demonstration; ILA with UNR
Regional Reclaimed Water Planning Projects	\$304,000	
Watershed Management Plan Update	\$70,000	ILA with City of Reno
NPDES Storm Water Permit Update	\$112,926	ILA with City of Reno
NPDES Storm Water Quality Management Program	\$262,500	ILA with City of Reno
Regional Storm Water Planning Projects	\$445,426	
Regional Flood Control Planning Projects	\$0	
N & P Reduction in watershed	50,000	
Water Quality Compliance	150,000	25k Water Innovation Campus ILA with UNR
Regional Wastewater Planning Projects	\$200,000	
Water Management Plan Update	\$50,000	WMP contracts.
TMRPA GIS Population Model	\$20,000	ILA with RPGB
Comprehensive Plan	\$70,000	
Totals	\$1,621,926	

Western Regional Water Commission Tentative Routine Operation Budget Fiscal Year 2017/2018

		2017/2018 Annual Routine Operating Budget Total	Expense Description/Example
WRWC Employees	Staff Services	\$440,000	Cost of <i>Support Staff</i> services as defined by employee services contract entered into between Washoe County and WRWC. Includes finance and administrative staff labor cost
Washoe County Overhead		\$45,000	Based on analysis of fy16-17 actual general fund overhead (excludes labor)
Mileage Expenses		\$2,400	Annual routine daily vehicle mileage expenses.
Legal Services		\$129,600	Cost of <i>Legal Counsel</i> services as defined by contract as entered into between Rhodes Law Office and WRWC
Lobbying Registration		\$0	Cost of registration for staff members as state lobbyists
Staff Services Subtotal		\$617,000	
Minutes	Non-Staff Services	\$15,000	Annual service contract to provide for recording of meetings, transcription of minutes and document editing.
Website		\$33,000	Such as website content and design services; annual website updating, maintenance, and hosting; specialized programming services; digital library development and updating; hosting, development and maintenance of databases; licensing fees, software and software updates, training/programming reference materials.
Video Coverage		\$5,000	Annual expense for video coverage of WRWC and NNWPC meetings.
CAFR & Audit		\$10,000	Annual expense for CAFR development and financial audit.
Regional Training		\$1,000	Cost of training for staff members <i>not covered by in-kind services</i> including registration and other miscellaneous cost such as reference materials, field trips, etc.
Regional Travel		\$1,000	Cost of travel for staff members <i>not covered by in-kind services</i> including transportation services, mileage reimbursement, lodging, meals, and other miscellaneous cost such as parking, etc.
Advertising		\$1,000	Such as advertising and legal notices.
Misc. Operating		\$20,000	Such as printing & reproduction, publications, and public notices, refreshments for volunteer boards/commissions, GIS and other in-house member agency support (not covered by in-kind services), equipment & supplies (i.e. computers, computer related supplies such as CDs, DVDs, etc.), projectors, printers, poster board, reproduction services, software licensing and fees, labels, business cards, periodicals, subscriptions, books, postage & mailing, promotion and public materials, misc. equipment rental, insurances, staff office supplies, and other expenses not included as part of overhead.
Non-Staff Services Subtotal		\$86,000	
Totals		\$703,000	

Estimated Expenditures Fiscal Year 2016/2017

Quarter Ending	Total Estimated Fiscal 2016/2017 Expenditure as of 6/30/17
WRWC Employees	300,000
Mileage Expenses	2,400
WRWC Overhead	95,000
Legal Services	129,600
Lobbying Services	600
Service Contract Subtotal	527,600
Minutes	5,000
Website	33,000
Envision/Sosu	5,000
CAFR & Audit	8,700
Regional Training	800
Regional Travel	1,000
Advertising	1,000
Misc. Operating	5,000
Non-Service Related Routine Operating Subtotal	59,500
Routine Operating Expense Subtotals	587,100
TOTALS	
<i>TROA 6700 AF Water Rights Requirement</i>	32,585
<i>Restoration Investments in the Truckee Watershed</i>	29,050
<i>Climate Variability Data Assessment</i>	50,000
<i>Highland Canal Water Quality Project</i>	0
<i>Precipitation Monitoring</i>	30,000
Regional Water Planning	141,635
<i>DRI Cloud Seeding Monitoring</i>	0
<i>DRI Cloud Seeding</i>	100,000
<i>Washoe ET Project</i>	10,000
<i>Water Usage Review Program</i>	100,000
<i>Certified Landscape Technician Program</i>	12,500
Conservation, Sustainability, Climate Change	222,500
<i>Bedell Flat Infiltration</i>	0
<i>Bedell Flat Infiltration Grant</i>	0
<i>Integrated Wastewater and Reclaimed Water System Planning</i>	25,000
Regional Reclaimed Water Planning Projects	25,000
<i>Watershed Management Plan Update</i>	
<i>NPDES Storm Water Permit Update</i>	0
<i>NPDES Storm Water Quality Management Program</i>	262,500
Regional Storm Water Planning Projects	262,500
TOTALS	
Regional Flood Control Planning Projects	0
<i>N & P Reduction in watershed</i>	0
<i>Water Quality Standards and TMDL Review, and Compliance</i>	0
<i>Septic System Mitigation Planning</i>	4,500
Regional Wastewater Planning Projects	4,500
<i>Plan Update (Cost-Finance and Water Balance Model Contract)</i>	50,000
<i>TMRPA GIS Population Model</i>	0
Water Management Plan	50,000
Project Subtotal	706,135
Totals	1,293,235

Western Regional Water Commission

STAFF REPORT

DATE: March 9, 2017

TO: Chairman and Members, Western Regional Water Commission (“WRWC”)

FROM: Jim Smitherman, Water Resources Program Manager

SUBJECT: Presentation on the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan, recommended by the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”) for adoption by the WRWC, including a report on the public hearing held March 1, 2017, discussion on the public review and adoption process, and possible direction to staff

SUMMARY

The development of the proposed 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan (the “Plan”) has been completed and the final draft was presented to the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”) for review and direction to staff at its meeting on March 1, 2017. That meeting also included a public hearing, and the approval of a Resolution to recommend the adoption of the Plan by the WRWC (attached). Notice of the public hearing was given as required by law. No comments from the public were submitted during the public hearing. Both the public hearing and the Resolution are required by statute.

The draft Plan is an update of the initial Plan adopted in January 2011. It consists of nine chapters, an Introduction, various charts, graphs and maps, and 10 Appendices. The draft Plan can be viewed at: <http://www.wrwc.us/draft.html>

The schedule for Plan adoption is as follows:

- Mar. 15, 2017 Deliver attested copy of the Plan to the WRWC (on or before March 15)
- Mar. 20, 2017 Deliver copy of the Plan to the County Clerk for 30-day public inspection period, and publish notice, as required by statute
- Mar. 30, 2017 Hold afternoon / evening public workshop
- Apr. 8, 2017 Publish notice of public hearing, as required by statute (on or before April 8)
- Apr. 19, 2017 Public hearing required by statute, and possible adoption of the Plan

After the Plan is adopted, the statutes require that it be submitted to the Regional Planning Commission for a review for consistency with respect to the Truckee Meadows Regional Plan.

BACKGROUND:

Chapter 531, Statutes of Nevada 2007, the Western Regional Water Commission Act (the “Act”), required the NNWPC to develop an “initial Comprehensive Plan” on or before January 1, 2011. In addition, the initial Comprehensive Plan must be reviewed by the NNWPC within five years after its adoption and at least every five years thereafter. After each review, the NNWPC must submit to the WRWC Board any proposed amendment to the Plan or report that there are no amendments.

The five-year review was completed on November 18, 2015 when the WRWC accepted a report on the review of the 2011-2030 Plan. Staff then began the process of compiling and reviewing pertinent information for the development of a Plan update. The review focused on how well the existing Plan and other available information would satisfy the statutory requirements outlined in the Act. Staff also worked with the staff members of WRWC member agencies, the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency, and a small number of consulting firms to receive current information and input on the required elements of the Plan. Staff also requested information from other entities as required by the Act for consideration while developing the Plan update.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On January 14, 2011, the WRWC approved and adopted the 2011-2030 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the WRWC accept the report on the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan, and schedule a public hearing on April 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., for the possible adoption of the Plan.

POSSIBLE MOTION

“Move to accept the report on the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan, and direct staff to schedule and provide legal notice of a public hearing on April 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., for the possible adoption of the Plan.”

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Attachment

NORTHERN NEVADA WATER PLANNING COMMISSION

Resolution No. 17-01

**Submitting the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan to the
Western Regional Water Commission**

WHEREAS, the provisions of Chapter 531, *Statutes of Nevada 2007*, the Western Regional Water Commission Act (the "Act"), Section 41(1) requires the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission to develop, and as necessary recommend revisions to, a comprehensive regional water management plan (the "Plan") for the entire area within the boundaries of Washoe County, except certain lands excluded by Sections 22(1) and 22(2) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Plan includes the items required by Section 41 of the Act, and the elements required by Section 42 of the Act, and, without limitation: identifies the boundaries of the region; includes surface water and groundwater policies and criteria; covers municipal and industrial water supplies, water quality and wastewater, sanitary sewerage, treatment of sewage, flood control and storm water drainage, watershed management and protection, projections of population, water demand and wastewater flow, legal and regulatory constraints, conservation, issues identification, a financial analysis, and an action plan with proposed action items; and

WHEREAS, the Plan includes written text, maps, goals and policies to deal with current and future issues affecting the region with respect to the subjects of the Plan, and will become effective, pursuant to the provisions of the Act, upon adoption by the Board of Trustees of the Western Regional Water Commission, and review by the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Commission for consistency with the Regional Plan, pursuant to sections 48 and 49 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, all subject matter in the Plan has been reviewed, accepted, and recommended for adoption by the voting members of the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing on the Plan was duly noticed on February 18, 2017, and held on March 1, 2017, by the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission.

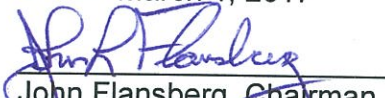
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission hereby finds that the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan provides a reasonable updated and amended necessary general plan for the management of the region's water resources and wastewater disposal until such time as future amendment is required; and

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IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan shall be submitted to the Board of Trustees of the Western Regional Water Commission for approval and adoption, and to the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Commission for consistency review.

Dated: March 1, 2017



John Flansberg, Chairman
Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission

Western Regional Water Commission

STAFF REPORT

DATE: March 9, 2017

TO: Chairman and members, Western Regional Water Commission

FROM: John B. Rhodes, Legal Counsel

SUBJECT: Report on legislative activities, including Bill Draft Requests ("BDRs") and Bills pending in the 2017 session of the Nevada Legislature, as of March 9, 2017, that may affect or are of interest to the Western Regional Water Commission ("WRWC") / Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission ("NNWPC"), and possible approval or revision of recommendations made by the WRWC Legislative Subcommittee.

The following staff report lists BDRs and Bills pending in the 2017 Nevada Legislature that may affect or are of interest to the WRWC and NNWPC. No additional language is available for the BDRs at this time. Pending Bills are noted with an Assembly ("AB") or Senate ("SB") designation, and the complete language of each Bill is available by clicking on the corresponding link contained in the electronic version of this report. The dates following the BDR number in parentheses indicate the date the BDR was requested or if a Bill is pending, the date the Bill was introduced. WRWC staff and the WRWC Legislative Subcommittee will track these Bills, recommend positions to be taken, provide periodic updates to the NNWPC, and submit the Subcommittee's recommendations to the WRWC, at its regular meetings, for possible approval and ratification or revision.

Bill Drafts Requested and Bills Introduced**Water Issues**

BDR/Bill	Requester	
AB138	Assemblywoman Carlton Authorizes de minimus collection of rainwater for certain uses. (BDR 48-445, 2/10/17)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
AB159	Assemblyman Watkins Prohibits hydraulic fracturing in this State. (BDR 46-593, 2/13/17)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
AB193	Assemblywoman Joiner Requires the fluoridation of water in certain circumstances. (BDR 40-716, 2/13/17)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
AB209	Assemblyman Oscarson Revises provisions governing the forfeiture and abandonment of water rights. (BDR 48-308, 2/13/17)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
SB51	Water Resources, Division of Conservation and Natural Resources Revises provisions related to the adjudication of vested water rights and the appropriation of water. (BDR 48-180, 11/16/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
SB73	Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Revises provisions related to conjunctive water management and managing over appropriated groundwater basins. (BDR 48-177, 11/17/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
SB74	Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Revises provisions relating to the planning and the development of water resources. (BDR 48-178, 11/17/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch

BDR/Bill	Requester	Subcommittee Position
SB134	Senator Goicoechea Revises provisions concerning water. (BDR 48-787, 2/13/17)	Neutral / Watch
SB138	Senator Hardy Authorizes the creation of a local improvement district for a waterfront maintenance project. (BDR 22-678, 2/13/17)	Neutral / Watch
SB231	Senate Committee on Natural Resources Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 48-736, 3/1/17)	Neutral / Watch
48-336	Legislative Committee on Public Lands (NRS 218E.510) Makes various changes relating to water.(8/19/16)	Neutral / Watch
48-357	Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Water (NRS 218E.200) Makes various changes relating to water. Same topic, BDR 48-358, BDR 48-359 (8/26/16) and BDR 48-367 (8/30/16)	Neutral / Watch

Ethics Issues

SB36	Office of the Governor Makes various changes to the role, operations and composition of the Commission on Ethics (BDR 23-230, 7/21/16)	Neutral / Watch
SB84	Commission on Ethics Makes various changes to the Nevada Ethics Commission. (BDR 23-250, 7/21/16)	Neutral / Watch
110	Assemblywoman Dickman Revises provisions governing ethics in government. (6/30/16)	Neutral / Watch

Public Records Issues**BDR/Bill Requestor**

AB42	Attorney General Makes various changes to the Nevada public records law. (BDR 19-389, 11/16/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
SB170	Senator Segerblom Revises provisions governing public records. (BDR 19-560,12/3/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch

Other Issues of Interest

AB34	Division of State Lands, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Makes various changes relating to state lands. (BDR 26-179), 11/16/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
AB39	Committee on Government Affairs Revises provisions for appointments of representatives to the Regional Planning Governing Board. (BDR 22-433, 11/16/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
AB48	Committee on Government Affairs Makes various changes relating to municipal utilities, and annexations/detachments of real property by local governments. (BDR 21-435, 11/16/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
AB72	Senate Committee on Health and Human Services Revises certain provisions of the Uniform Plumbing Code. (BDR 40-237, 11/17/16)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch
SJR7	Senate Minority Leader Urges Congress to enact legislation transferring title to certain public lands to the State of Nevada. (BDR R-841, 2/27/17)	Subcommittee Position Neutral / Watch