

Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission

STAFF REPORT

DATE: February 23, 2017
TO: Chairman and Members, Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission
FROM: Jim Smitherman, Water Resources Program Manager
SUBJECT: Final review of the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan, and possible direction to staff.

SUMMARY

Staff has made revisions to draft chapters of the 2016 Comprehensive Regional Water Management Plan (“2016 RWMP”) as discussed at the February 1, 2017 meeting. Revised sections are tabulated by title below. Final chapters can be downloaded here <http://www.wrwc.us/draft.html>.

Chapter 1 - Regional Water Planning Policies and Criteria

Section	Comment
Policy 1.2.a – Conjunctive Management of Surface Water and Groundwater Supplies to Withstand an 8-year Drought Cycle	Revised per NNWPC action of Dec. 7, 2016

Chapter 2 – Water Resources

Section	Comment
2.2.5.2 – Tributary Water Quality	Added short text on RTC study of mercury relative to SEC project

Chapter 3 – Water Purveyors and Other Water Providers

Section	Comment
3.1.3 – Sun Valley General Improvement District	Minor edit to paragraph

Chapter 4 – Wastewater and Watershed-based Water Quality Planning

Section	Comment
4.6.3 – Regional Effluent Management Planning	Changed references to “TRI Center” to “industrial uses outside the TMSA”

Chapter 5 – Flood Management and Storm Water Drainage

Section	Comment
5.7.2 Drainage Facilities	Added paragraph on ditches

Chapter 6 – Population Forecasts and Projections of Water Demand, Peak Day Requirements and Wastewater Flow

Section	Comment
6.3 Water Balance Model	Added text and map with notes per Feb. 1 NNWPC discussion

Chapter 9 – Issues and Action Plan

Section	Comment
Tables 9-1 and 9-2	Added complete tables

No substantive revisions have been made to the following chapters since the February 1, 2017, NNWPC meeting:

Introduction

Chapter 7 – Water Conservation Plan - Efficient Use of Water

Chapter 8 – Cost and Financing

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the NNWPC 1) accept the edits and additions to the draft chapters as presented or with additional edits as directed, and 2) provide comments and recommended edits as necessary, and/or provide any other appropriate direction to staff with respect to these draft chapters.