

# Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission

## STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** November 26, 2019  
**TO:** Chairman and Members, Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission  
**FROM:** Chris Wessel, Water Management Planner  
**SUBJECT:** Review and discussion concerning the results of the November 6, 2019, Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”) workshop and recommendations on annual priorities for ongoing and future projects and studies for fiscal year (“FY”) 2020-2021; and possible direction to staff.

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### **SUMMARY**

On November 6, 2019, the NNWPC conducted its annual workshop to develop a prioritized list of identified projects and topics for FY 2020-2021. Historically, the outcome of the workshop has been used as the basis for development of the professional services portion of the WRWC tentative budget.

The NNWPC uses its annual priorities to develop the professional services section of the tentative budget. The professional services budget worksheet details priority topics to be addressed by projects funded fully or in part by the Regional Water Management Fund. Some projects shown on the professional services budget worksheet are ongoing efforts funded by existing multi-year agreements; others are ongoing programs that are funded each year with a new agreement or by amending the existing agreement. In contrast, other priority topics do not yet have an identified scope of work, budget or proposed agreement, and those items will need to be developed in the coming fiscal year.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Western Regional Water Commission (“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)). Historically, the fiscal year budgets have been developed in support of the priorities set forth by the NNWPC.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

None

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the NNWPC review and discuss the results of the November 6, 2019, workshop and make a recommendation to the WRWC concerning priorities for FY 2020-2021.

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Attachments: NNWPC Priority Ranking by Category and Project

**Priority by Category**

Category	Total Votes*
<b>Regional Reclaimed Planning</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>Regional Storm Water Planning</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Regional Wastewater Planning</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Regional Flood Planning</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Regional Conservation Planning</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Regional Water Planning</b>	<b>9</b>

**Priority by Project**

Projects	Total Votes*
One Truckee River	15
Steamboat Ditch Flooding Study	12
Regional Wastewater Flow Projections	11
Integrated Source Water Protection Program	9
Water Usage Review Program	8
N & P Reduction in Watershed	8
Closed Basin Flooding	8
Reclaimed Water Planning - Data Instincts	7
NPDES Storm Water Quality Management Program	7
Nevada Water Innovations Campus	7
Long Valley Creek	7
Regional Effluent Management Planning Guidance Document	6
Reclaimed Water Planning - Non Specific	5
Climate Variability Data Assessment	5
Bedell Flat Infiltration Grant	5
Washoe ET Project	4
Reclaimed Water Planning NWII A+ Leadership	4
Precipitation Monitoring	4
Modeling for Water Quality Standards and TMDL Compliance	4
Lemmon Valley Flood Study and Mapping	3
Certified Landscape Technician Program	3
Advanced Water Treatment Demonstration	3
Reclaimed Water Planning - Expert Panel	2
Watershed Management Plan Update	1
Storm Water GIS Mapping	1
NPDES Storm Water Program Update	1
Water Management Plan Update	0

\* Ranking Criteria

**Priority by Category and Project**

<b>Category/Projects</b>	<b>Total Votes* (T)</b>
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Nevada Water Innovations Campus	7
<i>Regional Effluent Management Planning Guidance Document</i>	6
<i>Advanced Water Treatment Demonstration</i>	3
<i>Reclaimed Water Planning - Expert Panel</i>	2
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<i>Storm Water GIS Mapping</i>	1
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Regional Wastewater Flow Projections	11
<i>Modeling for Water Quality Standards and TMDL Compliance</i>	4
<i>N &amp; P Reduction in Watershed</i>	8
<b>Regional Flood Control Planning</b>	<b>23</b>
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