

# Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission

## STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** January 28, 2021  
**TO:** Chair and members, Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”)  
**FROM:** Chris Wessel, Water Resources Program Manager,  
**SUBJECT:** Update on the status of the scope of work funded by the Regional Water Management Fund (“RWMF”), in support of the One Truckee River Coalition to implement the One Truckee River Management Plan.

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### **SUMMARY**

The 2016-2035 Regional Water Management Plan, Section 4.5.13 includes a brief summary of the One Truckee River Management Plan, Phase 1, which identifies four primary goals for the urban stretch of the river from East McCarran Blvd. in Reno to Vista Blvd. in Sparks:

1. Protect water quality and ecosystem health;
2. Create and sustain a safe, beautiful and accessible river;
3. Build an aware community;
4. Ensure the sustainable management of the river.

Within each of the goals are objectives, strategies and action items that form the Plan’s framework.

In 2020, the Western Regional Water Commission authorized \$250,000 to help OTR initiate its program by supporting implementation of Phase 1 goals identified in the One Truckee River Management Plan. Iris Jehle-Peppard, One Truckee River Executive Director will provide a status report on the organizations progress to date.

### **BACKGROUND**

In 2015, Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (KTMB) and Nevada Land Trust (NLT) joined forces to convene a diverse planning team to consider activities, issues and impacts along the Truckee River and create a comprehensive, collaborative plan to address a broad range of issues. In September of the following year, the One Truckee River Management Plan, Phase 1, was unanimously approved by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks and Washoe County.

One Truckee River is presently guided by a leadership team, which proposes transitioning the initiative out from under KTMB and NLT, and into the Truckee River Foundation nonprofit organization using funding from the RWMF for fiscal year 2020-21. The move is intended to increase and enhance support for staff, operations and efforts to implement identified priority action items.

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