

# Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission

## STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** March 31, 2023  
**TO:** Chairman and Members, Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (NNWPC)  
**FROM:** Kim Rigdon, Water Resources Program Manager  
**SUBJECT:** Nomination and election of Chair and Vice Chair of the NNWPC Commission for the term of April 2023 to April 2024

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### **SUMMARY**

Section 39 of the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) Act, Chapter 531, Statutes of Nevada 2007 (the Act), requires that the NNWPC "establish a schedule for the selection of its Chair for a term of one year, in rotation, from among the members." The Act identifies the voting members of the NNWPC by title, position, or interest to be represented. The Act is silent concerning a Vice Chair and does not prohibit selection of one.

Prior to adoption of the NNWPC Administrative Policies and Procedures on May 5, 2010, a Vice Chair was selected by custom and practice to preside over meetings in the absence of the Chair. Section V of the NNWPC Administrative Policies and Procedures provides for the selection of a Chairman and a Vice Chairman, for a term of one year, in rotation, from among the voting members, annually, at the first meeting in April.

All twelve NNWPC voting member positions have been selected and have served as Chair one time in rotation. Three member positions which have served twice, and are currently ineligible for selection, are the Washoe County Water Resource's Director's designee, Washoe County Conservation District, and the City of Sparks representatives.

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

Listed by year below are the NNWPC voting member positions that have served as Chairman and Vice Chairman. The one-year term is April through March.

2022 Member: Chairman: Dave Solaro, Washoe County  
 Vice Chairman: Michael Widmer

2021 Member: Chairman: John Martini, City of Sparks  
 Vice Chairman: Mervin Wright

2020 Member: Chairman: Bill Hauck, Washoe County Water Conservation District  
 Vice Chairman: John Martini

2019 Member: Chairman: Mervin Wright, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe  
 Vice Chairman: Bill Hauck

2018 Member: Chairman: Michael DeMartini, Domestic Well Owners  
 Vice Chairman: Mervin Wright

2017 Member: Chairman: Danielle Henderson, Truckee River Flood Management Authority  
 Vice Chairman: Michael DeMartini

2016 Member: Chairman: John Flansberg, City of Reno

Vice Chairman: Danielle Henderson

2015 Member: Chairman: John Enloe, Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA), South  
Truckee Meadows General Improvement District

Vice Chairman – John Martini

2014 Member: Chairman: Michael Drinkwater, Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility

Vice Chairman – Darrin Price

2013 Member: Chairman: John Buzzone, succeeded by Dave Solaro, Washoe County

Vice Chairman: Michael Drinkwater

2012 Member: Chairman: Mickey Hazelwood, Public at Large

Vice Chairman: John Buzzone

2011 Member: Chairman: George Ball, Washoe County Water Conservation District

Vice Chairman: Neil Krutz

2010 Member: Chairman: John Erwin, TMWA, General Manager's designee

Vice Chairman: Jerry Schumacher

2009 Member: Chairman: Wayne Seidel, City of Sparks

Vice Chairman – George Ball

2008 Member: Chairman: Darrin Price, Sun Valley General Improvement District

Vice Chairman: Wayne Seidel

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff proposes the NNWPC select a member to serve as Chair, and a member to serve as Vice Chair, each for one-year terms effective April 5, 2023 and ending on March 31, 2024.

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