# MINUTES OF THE March 13, 2015 CONCURRENT MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY AND THE WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION

The concurrent meeting of the Legislative Subcommittees of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) and the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) met at TMWA, 1355 Capital Blvd., Reno, Nevada in the Independence Conference Room. Member Naomi Duerr called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

#### 1. ROLL CALL

TMWA Member Present: Neoma Jardon\*
TWMA Member Absent: Geno Martini
TMWA Legal Counsel Present: Mike Pagni

TMWA Staff Present: Jack Byrom, John Erwin, Mark Foree, and Steve Walker (Walker &

Associates)

A quorum of the TMWA Legislative Subcommittee was present.

WRWC Members Present: Vaughn Hartung and Naomi Duerr

WRWC Members Absent: Sandra Ainsworth WRWC Legal Counsel Present: John Rhodes

WRWC Staff Present: Jim Smitherman and Chris Wessel

A quorum of the WRWC Legislative Subcommittee was present.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the WRWC Subcommittee approved the agenda.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF THE TMWA SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES OF APRIL 26, 2013

Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried by unanimous vote of the members, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the minutes of April 26, 2013.

<sup>\*</sup>Member Neoma Jardon arrived at 11:03 a.m.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF THE WRWC SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES OF MARCH 6, 2015

Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried by unanimous vote of the members, the WRWC Subcommittee approved the minutes of March 6, 2015.

### 6. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR THE TMWA LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried by unanimous vote of the members, the TMWA Subcommittee elected Geno Martini as Chair and Neoma Jardon as Vice Chair.

#### 7. PRESENTATION OF STATUS REPORT ON LEGISLATION OF INTEREST TO TMWA AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION REGARDING TMWA'S POSITION ON LEGISLATION

Michael Pagni, TMWA Legal Counsel, and Steve Walker, TMWA Lobbyist, referred to the staff report and table of bills on legislation of interest to TMWA as introduced through March 13, 2015. Mr. Pagni and Mr. Walker provided a brief description of various bills TMWA is monitoring as well as their insights into what was happening at the legislature and providing staff's recommended position. Mr. Walker recommended a change in position for AB 106 from *Watch* to *Oppose*. After discussion with the committee, there were no questions.

Upon motion made and seconded, and carried by unanimous vote of the members, the TMWA Subcommittee approved staff's recommendations on all bills.

## 8. PRESENTATION OF STATUS REPORT ON LEGISLATION OF INTEREST TO WRWC AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION REGARDING WRWC'S POSITION ON LEGISLATION

John Rhodes, legal counsel for the WRWC, referred to the staff report on legislation of interest to the WRWC, as introduced through March 11, 2015. Mr. Rhodes reviewed several of the bills listed, noted that AB 135 and AB 196 have been added to the list, and stated that the staff recommendation on all BDR's is *watch*, except for BDR 483 which is to *support*, and *neutral/watch* on the bills that have been introduced.

Upon motion made and seconded, and carried by unanimous vote of the members, the WRWC Subcommittee approved staff's recommendations on all BDR's and bills.

#### 9. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

There were no comments.

#### 10. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Rhodes asked about the meeting schedule. There was discussion regarding not scheduling meetings the same week as when the TMWA Board of Directors meetings are held as well as if no updates to bills are necessary. Mr. Force stated that TMWA Board will consider at its meeting on March 18, 2015 appointing an alternate member to the TMWA Legislative Subcommittee.

#### 11. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

#### 12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, to discuss, WRWC Member Naomi Duerr adjourned the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority on Friday, March 27, 2015.

Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Western Regional Water Authority on Friday, March 27, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,		

Sonia Folsom, Recording Secretary

\*Vice Chair Jardon was present for agenda items 4 through 12 only.