

TMWA Committee Members:

- Chair Kristopher Dahir
- Vice Chair Naomi Duerr
- Alexis Hill



**Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA)**

**AGENDA**

Thursday, February 11, 2021 @ 12:30 p.m.

**Meeting Via Teleconference Only**

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1. Roll call\*
2. Public comment (limited to no more than three minutes per speaker)\*
3. Approval of agenda (**For Possible Action**)
4. Approval of the minutes of February 1, 2021 (**For Possible Action**)
5. Presentation of status report on legislation of interest to TMWA and possible direction regarding TMWA's position on legislation (**For Possible Action**)
6. Committee comments\*

7. Staff comments\*
8. Public comment (limited to no more than three minutes per speaker)\*
9. Adjournment (**For Possible Action**)

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2021  
MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF  
THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY**

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The meeting of the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) was held via Teleconference. Member Dahir called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Kristopher Dahir, Naomi Duerr, Alexis Hill and Alternate Paul Anderson  
TMWA Legal Counsel Present: Michael Pagni  
TMWA Staff Present: Mark Foree, Pat Nielson, Laura Rader, Danny Rotter, John Zimmerman, and Leo Drozdoff (TMWA Lobbyist)

A quorum of the TMWA Legislative Subcommittee was present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 11, 2020 SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the minutes of August 11, 2020 meeting.**

5. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee appointed Kristopher Dahir as Chair and Naomi Duerr as Vice Chair.**

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING THE SCHEDULING OF MEETINGS OF TMWA'S LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

John Zimmerman stated that prior TMWA LSC meetings have been held on Friday afternoons during the session, but deferred to the LSC pending their respective schedules.

Vice Chair Duerr said the Reno City Council elected to hold their legislative subcommittee meetings on Fridays at 2pm.

Chair Dahir requested to hold their meetings earlier in the morning on Fridays.

Leo Drozdoff, TMWA Lobbyist, suggested committee meeting scheduled for Friday am. Most of the bills TMWA is interested in, would be on a Friday morning. Nat Resource Mon-Thurs

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the next meetings be scheduled for Thursday, February 11 & 18, 2021 at 12:30pm.**

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

Mr. Drozdoff reported how the session will operate due to the pandemic. As to how the interim session will be conducted, no one from the public will be allowed in the building except for certain legislators and staff and a small reporter pool. As per the Constitution, all legislators have to be in Carson City to cast their votes and if a meeting with legislators is necessary, they will conduct it via Microsoft Teams.

Mr. Zimmerman informed the Subcommittee that only 175 bills have been introduced and there are an additional 800 bill draft requests (BDRs) pending. Staff provided an overview of the bills that have been introduced that TMWA is monitoring; majority of which TMWA's position is neutral with the exception of AB3 (electronic transmission of maps and documents related to lands) and AB6 (hearings on application for a temporary water right change).

Mr. Zimmerman also updated the Subcommittee on proposed regulations for extensions of time on water rights permits which is still being reviewed and has improved since the original draft in the 2020 Interim Session.

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee accepted the report and staff recommendations.**

8. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

There was no Committee comment.

9. STAFF COMMENTS

There was no staff comment.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

11. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, to discuss, Chair Dahir adjourned the meeting at 2:19 p.m.

*Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority on*

Submitted by,

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Sonia Folsom, Recording Clerk

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## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chairman and Board Members  
**FROM:** John Zimmerman, Manager, Water Resources  
**DATE:** February 9, 2021  
**SUBJECT:** **Presentation of status report on legislation of interest to TMWA and possible direction regarding TMWA's position on legislation**

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### SUMMARY

The 2021 Session began on February 1 and the TMWA legislative subcommittee, general counsel Michael Pagni, lobbyist Leo Drozdoff, and staff have been reviewing bills as they are released by the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB). All bills have not yet been publicly released. Attachment 1 lists all bills on which the Legislative Subcommittee has recommended a position. Attachment 2 lists all new bills staff has reviewed since the last Subcommittee meeting. Staff, Michael Pagni, and Leo Drozdoff will provide an update regarding the Session and a summary of all significant bills and bills on which the Legislative Subcommittee recommends TMWA support or oppose.

### Key 2021 Legislative Deadlines:

February 1	Session Begins
February 8	Legislators' BDR Requests
March 15	Legislators' Bill Introductions
March 22	Committees' Bill Introductions
April 9	Committee Passage (1 <sup>st</sup> House)
April 20	First House Passage
May 14	Committee Passage (2 <sup>nd</sup> House)
May 21	Second House Passage
May 31	Session Ends

Bill	Description	Sponsor(s)	Status	Past Meetings	Past Action	Future Meetings	Leg. Subcommittee Recommendation
AB1	Revises provisions relating to training for Legislators. (BDR 17-438)	Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections	Legislative Operations and Elections				NEUTRAL
AB3	Revises provisions concerning the electronic transmission of certain maps and other documents relating to the approval of divisions of land. (BDR 22-406)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs			Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 2/12/2021 9:00 AM	SUPPORT
AB5	Makes various changes to provisions relating to judicial review of orders and decisions of the State Engineer. (BDR 48-311)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources				NEUTRAL
AB6	Revises provisions governing an application for a temporary change relating to appropriated water. (BDR 48-309)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources				SUPPORT
AB15	Revises the membership of the Colorado River Commission of Nevada. (BDR 48-341)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources				NEUTRAL
AB28	Imposes an inverse preference on certain bidders for state purchasing contracts. (BDR 27-238)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 2/3/2021 9:00 AM	Mentioned		NEUTRAL
AB37	Revises provisions relating to the enforcement of obligations for support of children. (BDR 3-301)	Committee on Judiciary	Judiciary			Assembly Committee on Judiciary 2/12/2021 8:00 AM	NEUTRAL
AB39	Revises provisions relating to public records. (BDR 19-333)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs				NEUTRAL
AB49	Revises provisions relating to disciplinary action by the State Contractors' Board. (BDR 54-322)	Committee on Commerce and Labor	Commerce and Labor				NEUTRAL
AB61	Revises provisions relating to trade practices. (BDR 52-424)	Committee on Commerce and Labor	Commerce and Labor				NEUTRAL
AB65	Revises provisions relating to ethics in government. (BDR 23-257)	Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections	Legislative Operations and Elections	Joint Meeting of the Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections and Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections 2/4/2021 4:00 PM	Mentioned no jurisdiction		NEUTRAL
AB83	Revises the date of the legal holiday for the observance of Nevada Day. (BDR 19-70)	Yeager	Government Affairs				NEUTRAL

Bill	Description	Sponsor(s)	Status	Past Meetings	Past Action	Future Meetings	Leg. Subcommittee Recommendation
SB11	Authorizes certain incorporated cities to impose a supplemental governmental services tax. (BDR 32-433)	Committee on Revenue and Economic Development	Revenue and Economic Development				NEUTRAL
SB13	Revises provisions relating to collective bargaining by local government employers. (BDR 31-370)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs				NEUTRAL
SB14	Revises provisions relating to certain emergency response plans and assessments. (BDR 36-280)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs	Senate Committee on Government Affairs 2/8/2021 3:30 PM	Heard, No Action		NEUTRAL
SB18	Revises provisions governing penalties for certain violations relating to public utilities. (BDR 58-277)	Committee on Growth and Infrastructure	Growth and Infrastructure			Senate Committee on Growth and Infrastructure 2/17/2021 3:30 PM	NEUTRAL
SB26	Revises provisions relating to the protection of personally identifiable information from release. (BDR 52-332)	Committee on Commerce and Labor	Commerce and Labor				NEUTRAL
SB33	Revises certain provisions relating to natural resource management. (BDR 47-312)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources			Senate Committee on Natural Resources 2/11/2021 3:30 PM	NEUTRAL
SB40	Provides for the collection of certain data relating to health care. (BDR 40-415)	Committee on Health and Human Services	Health and Human Services				NEUTRAL
SB67	Revises provisions relating to public works. (BDR 28-400)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs				NEUTRAL
SB71	Revises provisions governing unclaimed property. (BDR 10-398)	Committee on Judiciary	Judiciary	Senate Committee on Judiciary 2/3/2021 1:00 PM	Heard, No Action		NEUTRAL
SB73	Allows the imposition of certain taxes or the reallocation of certain tax revenue to fund certain natural resources projects and services in the City of Reno based on the recommendations of a committee and voter approval. (BDR S-432)	Committee on Revenue and Economic Development	Revenue and Economic Development				NEUTRAL
SJR1	Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide that the Nevada Court of Appeals has original jurisdiction over certain cases relating to water. (BDR C-310)	Committee on Judiciary	Judiciary				NEUTRAL



Bill	Description	Sponsor(s)	Status	Past Meetings	Past Action	Staff Recommended Position
AB87	Makes various changes to provisions governing the vacation or abandonment of certain	Nguyen and Roberts	Government Affairs			OPPOSE
AB90	Requires counties to pay impact fees to certain local governments for projects of intercounty	Benitez-Thompson	Government Affairs			MONITOR
AB93	Revises provisions relating to states of emergency or declarations of disaster proclaimed by the	Wheeler, Dickman, O'Neill, Ellison, Hafen, Hansen, Hardy,	Government Affairs			MONITOR
AB95	Revises the membership of the Legislative Committee on Public Lands. (BDR 17-463)	Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections	Legislative Operations and Elections			MONITOR
AB97	Revises provisions governing toxic chemicals. (BDR 40-141)	Watts	Natural Resources			MONITOR
AB100	Revises provisions relating to wildfires. (BDR 42-109)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs	Discussed as BDR	MONITOR
AB108	Creates the Nevada Office of the Inspector General. (BDR 18-64)	Brittney Miller	Printer			MONITOR
AJR2	Recognizes that forest health and water quality are inextricably linked. (BDR R-112)	Committee on Natural Resources	Printer			SUPPORT

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SB88	Revises provisions relating to emergency management. (BDR 36-51)	Pickard, Settlemeyer, Hansen, Buck, Goicoechea, Hammond	Government Affairs			MONITOR
SB106	Enacts the Uniform Easement Relocation Act. (BDR 10-833)	Harris	Judiciary			MONITOR
SB107	Makes various changes relating to the statute of limitations for certain causes of action. (BDR 2-	Ohrenschall	Judiciary			MONITOR
SB109	Revises provisions relating to the collection of certain information by governmental agencies.	Spearman	Government Affairs			MONITOR
SB110	Revises provisions relating to businesses engaged in the development of emerging technologies.	Spearman	Government Affairs			MONITOR