

TMWA Committee Members:

- Chair Kristopher Dahir
- Vice Chair Naomi Duerr
- Alexis Hill
- Alternate Paul Anderson

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

Friday, February 26, 2021 @ 9:00 a.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 11, 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 11, 2021
MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF
THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY**

The meeting of the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) was held via Teleconference. Chair Dahir called the meeting to order at 12:35 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, 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.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon motion duly made by Member Duerr and seconded by Member Hill, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2021 SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Upon motion duly made by Member Hill and seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the minutes of February 1, 2021 meeting.

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

Leo Drozdoff, TMWA Lobbyist, updated the Subcommittee that bills are continuing to slowly be introduced, legislators are continuing to hold meetings virtually, the legislative building is still closed to the public, and the plan to open it is dependent upon legislators getting vaccinated.

John Zimmerman, TMWA Water Resources Manager, stated that staff will present TMWA's position of new bills introduced, and provide updates on existing bills as the session progresses. Staff informed the Subcommittee that their recommendation for AB87 (local governments simplify the process to abandon easements without a hearing) is Oppose unless the language is amended; AB97 (governing toxic chemicals) is Monitor to ensure there isn't any undue burden put on TMWA operations; AJR2 (forest health and water quality are linked) is Support; and SB106 (enacts the Uniform Easement Relocation

Act) is Monitor since public utilities are excluded from this bill and to ensure the language does not change that TMWA could potentially be included.

The Subcommittee thanked staff for being extremely involved in the legislative session and engaging with the bill sponsors.

Upon motion duly made by Member Hill and seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee accepted the report and staff recommendations.

6. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

There was no Committee comment.

7. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Zimmerman informed the Subcommittee on a bill draft request (BDR) which would allow private entities to establish local governments, which staff is monitoring at the moment until/unless it becomes a bill. Mr. Drozdoff added the governor's approach, which he referenced in his State of the State, is that the legislation implies certain smaller counties may not be equipped to handle large companies or industries and to recognize that so the businesses can create a local government.

Chair Dahir would like for staff to provide an update on this BDR as information becomes available.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, to discuss, Chair Dahir adjourned the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

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

Submitted by,

Sonia Folsom, Recording Clerk



STAFF REPORT

TO: Chairman and Board Members
FROM: John Zimmerman, Manager, Water Resources
DATE: February 22, 2021
SUBJECT: **Presentation of status report on legislation of interest to TMWA and possible direction regarding TMWA's position on legislation**

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:

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

Assembly Bills

| BILL | DESCRIPTION | SPONSOR(S) | STATUS | PAST MEETINGS | PAST ACTION | FUTURE MEETINGS | LEG. SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS |
|------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| AB1 | Revises provisions relating to training for Legislators. (BDR 17-438) | Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections | Legislative Operations and Elections | Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections 2/18/2021 4:00 PM | Heard | | MONITOR |
| 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 | Senate Committee on Government Affairs 2/24/2021 3:30 PM | Mentioned No Jurisdiction | | 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 | | | Assembly Committee on Natural Resources 3/1/2021 4:00 PM | MONITOR |
| AB6 | Revises provisions governing an application for a temporary change relating to appropriated water. (BDR 48-309) | Committee on Natural Resources | Natural Resources | | | Assembly Committee on Natural Resources 3/1/2021 4:00 PM | SUPPORT |
| AB15 | Revises the membership of the Colorado River Commission of Nevada. (BDR 48-341) | Committee on Natural Resources | Natural Resources | | | | MONITOR |
| 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 | | MONITOR |
| AB37 | Revises provisions relating to the enforcement of obligations for support of children. (BDR 3-301) | Committee on Judiciary | Judiciary | Assembly Committee on Judiciary 2/23/2021 8:00 AM | Mentioned not agendized | Assembly Committee on Judiciary - Work Session Item 2/26/2021 8:00 AM | MONITOR |
| AB39 | Revises provisions relating to public records. (BDR 19-333) | Committee on Government Affairs | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| AB49 | Revises provisions relating to disciplinary action by the State Contractors' Board. (BDR 54-322) | Committee on Commerce and Labor | Commerce and Labor | Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor 2/15/2021 1:30 PM | Heard | | MONITOR |
| AB61 | Revises provisions relating to trade practices. (BDR 52-424) | Committee on Commerce and Labor | Commerce and Labor | Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor 2/24/2021 1:30 PM | Heard | | MONITOR |

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|-------|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| AB65 | Revises provisions relating to ethics in government. (BDR 23-257) | Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections | Legislative Operations and Elections | Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections 2/23/2021 4:00 PM | Heard | | MONITOR |
| AB83 | Revises the date of the legal holiday for the observance of Nevada Day. (BDR 19-70) | Yeager | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| AB87 | Makes various changes to provisions governing the vacation or abandonment of certain easements. (BDR 22-460) | Nguyen and Roberts | Government Affairs | | | | OPPOSE |
| AB90 | Requires counties to pay impact fees to certain local governments for projects of intercounty significance. (BDR 22-883) | Benitez-Thompson | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| AB93 | Revises provisions relating to states of emergency or declarations of disaster proclaimed by the Governor. (BDR 36-41) | Wheeler, Dickman, O'Neill, Ellison, Hafen, Hansen, Hardy, Kasama, Krasner, Leavitt, Matthews, McArthur, Roberts and Titus | 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 | Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections 2/16/2021 4:00 PM | Heard | | 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 2/25/2021 9:00 AM | Heard | | MONITOR |
| AB108 | Creates the Nevada Office of the Inspector General. (BDR 18-64) | Brittney Miller | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| AJR2 | Recognizes that forest health and water quality are inextricably linked. (BDR R-112) | Committee on Natural Resources | Natural Resources | Assembly Committee on Natural Resources 2/10/2021 4:00 PM | Mentioned | | SUPPORT |

Senate Bills

| BILL | DESCRIPTION | SPONSOR(S) | STATUS | PAST MEETINGS | PAST ACTION | FUTURE MEETINGS | LEG. SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS |
|------|---|---|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 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 | Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 2/23/2021 9:00 AM | Mentioned no jurisdiction | | MONITOR |
| SB13 | Revises provisions relating to collective bargaining by local government employers. (BDR 31-370) | Committee on Government Affairs | Government Affairs | Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 2/12/2021 9:00 AM | Mentioned no jurisdiction | | MONITOR |
| 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 2/17/2021 3:30 PM | Amend, and do pass as amended | | MONITOR |
| 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 | Heard, No Action | | MONITOR |
| SB26 | Revises provisions relating to the protection of personally identifiable information from release. (BDR 52-332) | Committee on Commerce and Labor | Commerce and Labor | | | | MONITOR |
| 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 | Heard, No Action | Senate Committee on Natural Resources - Work Session Item 3/2/2021 3:30 PM | MONITOR |
| 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 | Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services 2/17/2021 1:30 PM | Mentioned no jurisdiction | | MONITOR |
| SB67 | Revises provisions relating to public works. (BDR 28-400) | Committee on Government Affairs | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |

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|-------|---|---|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| SB71 | Revises provisions governing unclaimed property. (BDR 10-398) | Committee on Judiciary | Judiciary | Senate Committee on Judiciary 2/25/2021 1:00 PM | Amend, and do pass as amended | | MONITOR |
| 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 | Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 2/23/2021 9:00 AM | Mentioned no jurisdiction | | MONITOR |
| SB88 | Revises provisions relating to emergency management. (BDR 36-51) | Pickard, Settlemeyer, Hansen, Buck, Goicoechea, Hammond, Hardy and Kieckhefer | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| SB106 | Enacts the Uniform Easement Relocation Act. (BDR 10-833) | Harris and Ohrenschall | Judiciary | | | | MONITOR |
| SB107 | Makes various changes relating to the statute of limitations for certain causes of action. (BDR 2-872) | Ohrenschall | Judiciary | Senate Committee on Judiciary 2/18/2021 1:00 PM | Heard, No Action | | MONITOR |
| SB109 | Revises provisions relating to the collection of certain information by governmental agencies. (BDR 19-95) | Spearman | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| 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 | | | | MONITOR |

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|-------|---|---|---------------------------|---|------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| AB124 | Revises provisions relating to employment. (BDR 53-169) | Duran, Watts, Torres, Anderson, Benitez-Thompson, Bilbray-Axelrod, Brown-May, Carlton, Considine, Gorelow, Martinez, Marzola, Brittney Miller, Monroe-Moreno, Nguyen, Peters and Thomas | Commerce and Labor | | | | MONITOR |
| AB146 | Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 40-123) | Peters | Natural Resources | | | | MONITOR |
| AB147 | Authorizes a board of county commissioners to create the office of county counsel. (BDR 20-119) | Nguyen | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| AB152 | Revises provisions relating to the collection of certain debts. (BDR 54-855) | Krasner, Yeager and Marzola | Commerce and Labor | | | | MONITOR |
| AB153 | Revises provisions governing performance contracts. (BDR 27-708) | Assemblywoman Bilbray-Axelrod; Senator Brooks | Government Affairs | | | Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 3/2/2021 9:00 AM | MONITOR |
| AB154 | Revises provisions governing certain notice provided by public utilities. (BDR 58-510) | Assemblymen Roberts, Tolles, Nguyen, Watts and Monroe-Moreno; Senator Hammond | Growth and Infrastructure | | | Assembly Committee on Growth and Infrastructure 3/4/2021 1:30 PM | MONITOR |
| AB162 | Revises provisions relating to apprentices. (BDR 28-687) | Assemblymen Ellison, Dickman, Titus, Hafen, Hansen, Kasama, Leavitt, Matthews, O'Neill and Wheeler; Senator Goicoechea | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| AJR3 | Urges various actions relating to the protection and conservation of land and water. (BDR R-775) | Assemblymen González, Watts, Yeager, Cohen, Anderson, Brown-May, Flores, Brittney Miller, Nguyen and Torres; Senator Donate | Natural Resources | | | | MONITOR |
| AJR5 | Urges Congress to sell or transfer certain public lands to local governmental agencies and nonprofit organizations. (BDR R-470) | Committee on Natural Resources | Natural Resources | Assembly Committee on Natural Resources 2/22/2021 4:00 PM | Discussed as BDR | | MONITOR |

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| SB131 | Revises provisions relating to the Office of Grant Procurement, Coordination and Management in the Department of Administration. (BDR 18-100) | Pickard, Buck, Goicoechea, Hammond, Hardy, Kieckhefer, Seevers Gansert and Settlemeyer | Government Affairs | | | | MONITOR |
| SB139 | Requires certain health insurance to cover treatment of certain conditions relating to gender dysphoria. (BDR 57-54) | Scheible and Harris | Commerce and Labor | | | | MONITOR |
| SB141 | Revises provisions relating to public works. (BDR S-44) | Brooks | Commerce and Labor | | | | MONITOR |
| SB149 | Revises provisions relating to groundwater boards. (BDR 48-462) | Committee on Natural Resources | Printer | | | | MONITOR |