

**TMWA Committee Members:**

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

**WRWC Committee Members:**

- Kristopher Dahir
- Naomi Duerr
- Alexis Hill
- Alternate Jenny Brekhuis

**CONCURRENT MEETING OF THE  
Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA)  
And  
Legislative Subcommittee of the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC)  
Friday, March 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 WRWC Legislative Subcommittee minutes of April 5, 2019 and April 12, 2019 **(For Possible Action)**
5. Approval of the TMWA Legislative Subcommittee minutes of February 26, 2021 **(For Possible Action)**
6. Nomination and election of Chair and Vice Chair of the Legislative Subcommittee of the Western Regional Water Commission **(For Possible Action)**
7. Presentation of status report on legislation of interest to TMWA and possible direction regarding TMWA's position on legislation **(For Possible Action)**
8. Presentation of status report on legislation of interest to WRWC and possible direction regarding WRWC Legislative Subcommittee's position on legislation. This Item may be combined with Item 7 **(For Possible Action)**
9. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding scheduling of future concurrent meetings of TMWA and WRWC Legislative Subcommittees **(For Possible Action)**
10. Committee comments\*
11. Staff comments\*
12. Public comment (limited to no more than three minutes per speaker)\*
13. Adjournment **(For Possible Action)**

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 5, 2019  
CONCURRENT MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF  
THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY AND  
THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF  
THE WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION**

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The meeting of the Concurrent Legislative Subcommittees of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) and Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) at TMWA, 1355 Capital Blvd., Reno, Nevada in the Independence Conference Room. Chair Dahir called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

TMWA Members Present: Kristopher Dahir\*

TMWA Members Absent: Jenny Brekhus and Vaughn Hartung

TMWA Legal Counsel Present: Michael Pagni

TMWA Staff Present: Mark Foree, John Zimmerman, and Steve Walker (Walker & Associates)

A quorum of the TMWA Legislative Subcommittee was not present.

WRWC Members Present: Kristopher Dahir\* and Bob Lucey\*

WRWC Members Absent: Naomi Duerr

WRWC Legal Counsel: John Rhodes

WRWC Staff Present: Jim Smitherman and Chris Wessel

A quorum of the WRWC Legislative Subcommittee was not present.

*\*Members Dahir and Lucey and WRWC Legal Counsel were present via phone.*

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 MINUTES OF MARCH 26, 2019

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously,  
the WRWC Subcommittee approved the minutes of March 26, 2019.**

5. APPROVAL OF THE WRWC MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2019

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously,  
the WRWC Subcommittee approved the minutes of March 15, 2019.**

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

It was decided to discuss the bills and have no action.

Steve Walker, TMWA Lobbyist, provided an overview of the new bills introduced as of April 4. Mr. Walker explained staff recommended position on SB 358 to oppose unless amended. SB 358 proposes, on voter approval, that 50% of electricity will be renewable energy by 2030, but TMWA's hydroelectric power plants were unintentionally omitted. Michael Pagni, TMWA General Counsel, added staff is working on the amendment language to be submitted prior to the first hearing in the Assembly.

Mr. Pagni provided an update on SB 280 (revises definition of navigable streams, to include rivers), recommends changing TMWA's position from oppose to watch.

Mr. Walker informed the subcommittee SB 250 amendment was heard on April 4 in the Natural Resources committee, which was approved. Mr. Pagni added TMWA's amendment was agreeable to Senator Settlemeyer, and any future amendments would added to TMWA's amendment.

Chair Dahir requested an update on the status of SB 358 as soon as one was made available.

**No motion taken.**

7. PRESENTATION OF STATUS REPORT ON LEGISLATION OF INTEREST TO WRWC AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION REGARDING WRWC LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE'S POSITION ON LEGISLATION. THIS ITEM MAY BE COMBINED WITH ITEM 7

John Rhodes, WRWC General Counsel, updated the subcommittee on new bills introduced as of April 4.

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the WRWC Subcommittee approved staff recommendations on all bills: SB280 neutral/watch, SB250, support as amended, SB449, neutral/watch; and to delete bills AB362 and SB339 and SB388.**

8. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

There were no committee comments.

9. STAFF COMMENTS

There were no staff comments.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

11. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, to discuss, Chair Dahir adjourned the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

*Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority on April 12, 2019.*

*Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Western Regional Water Commission on*  
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Submitted by,

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Sonia Folsom, Recording Secretary

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 12, 2019  
CONCURRENT MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF  
THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY AND  
THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF  
THE WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION**

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The meeting of the Concurrent Legislative Subcommittees of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) and Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) at TMWA, 1355 Capital Blvd., Reno, Nevada in the Independence Conference Room. Chair Dahir called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

TMWA Members Present: Chair Kristopher Dahir, Vice Chair Jenny Brekhuis\*, and Vaughn Hartung  
TMWA Legal Counsel Present: Michael Pagni\*  
TMWA Staff Present: Mark Foree, John Zimmerman, Laura Rader, and Steve Walker (Walker & Associates)

A quorum of the TMWA Legislative Subcommittee was present.

WRWC Members Present: Kristopher Dahir  
WRWC Members Absent: Naomi Duerr and Bob Lucey  
WRWC Legal Counsel: John Rhodes was absent  
WRWC Staff Present: Jim Smitherman and Chris Wessel

There was not a quorum of the WRWC Legislative Subcommittee.

*\*Member Brekhuis and General Counsel Michael Pagni were present via phone.*

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 26, 2019 SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the minutes of March 26, 2019 meeting.**

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 5, 2019 SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the minutes of April 5, 2019 meeting.**

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

Steve Walker, TMWA Lobbyist, provided an overview of certain key bills on which TMWA has taken a position, including all water-related bills. Mr. Walker explained staff recommended position on SB 358 to oppose unless amended. SB 358 proposes, on voter approval, that 50% of electricity will be renewable energy by 2030, but TMWA's hydroelectric power plants were unintentionally omitted. Mr. Walker added that he and McDonald Carano are working with the bill sponsor and that the bill sponsor has assured him that the omission of TMWA's hydroelectric power plants was a mistake that will be corrected. Mr. Walker said the bill sponsor advised him that the bill will be amended on the floor of the assembly to fix the issue with TMWA's hydroelectric power plants.

Regarding SB 250, Mr. Walker informed the subcommittee that the bill sponsor, State Engineer's office, and TMWA agreed on the language of a proposed amendment and that the amendment was heard by the senate committee and passed.

**Upon motion duly made and seconded, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved staff's recommendation to oppose SB 358 unless amended.**

7. PRESENTATION OF STATUS REPORT ON LEGISLATION OF INTEREST TO WRWC AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION REGARDING WRWC LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE'S POSITION ON LEGISLATION. THIS ITEM MAY BE COMBINED WITH ITEM 7

There being no quorum or legal counsel present, this item was not heard.

8. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

There were no committee comments.

9. STAFF COMMENTS

There were no staff comments.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

11. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, to discuss, Chair Dahir adjourned the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

*Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority on November 1, 2019.*

*Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Western Regional Water Commission on*

Submitted by,

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Sonia Folsom, Recording Secretary

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 26, 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. Chair Dahir called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.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.

*\*Member Duerr arrived at 9:04 am*

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 11, 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 11, 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, and Michael Pagni, TMWA General Counsel, updated the Subcommittee on new bills that have been introduced since the last legislative subcommittee meeting. Mr. Pagni stated TMWA has already implemented changes proposed in AB124 (prohibiting employers from discrimination on basis of sex and seeking wage history of a prospective employee, and requiring to disclose wage scale/salary range) and as such are Monitoring it for now, but can Support it if the Subcommittee decides to do so. Mr. Drozdoff stated that staff is still reviewing AB146 and are scheduled to meet with Assemblywoman Sarah Peters to clarify the bill's intent as there may be potential impacts on water quality standards.



Also, staff recommends changing position on SB67 Monitor to Support since language may be added to increase the threshold from \$100k to \$250k to allow for local governments to complete smaller public works projects itself, which TMWA supports doing.

John Zimmerman, TMWA Water Resources Manager, updated the Subcommittee on SJR1 which is proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide that the Nevada Court of Appeals has jurisdiction over cases related to water. Since it has to go through a constitutional amendment, it may be withdrawn. In the meantime, Chief Justice Hardesty has worked with the State Engineer's office, proposing a water commission to study the water adjudications process, and there is a public meeting next week with TMWA, Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) and other water stakeholders.

In addition, there are two water bill draft requests (BDRs) from the State Engineer's office, regarding water conservation and water banking: water conservation to allow farmers and irrigators to use less water and be able to conserve it and not have it forfeited.

**Upon motion duly made by Member Hill and seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved staff recommendation to change its position on SB67 from Monitor to Support if proposed language amends the current bill.**

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

6. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Member Duerr appreciated the updates.

7. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Zimmerman proposed scheduling the next meeting for Fri, Mar 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, to discuss, Chair Dahir adjourned the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

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

Submitted by,

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Sonia Folsom, Recording Clerk

*\*Member Duerr was present for agenda items 2 thru 9 only.*



## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chairman and Board Members  
**FROM:** John Zimmerman, Manager, Water Resources  
**DATE:** March 10, 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 new bills staff has reviewed since the last Subcommittee meeting. Attachment 2 lists all bills on which the Legislative Subcommittee has recommended a position. 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

ASSEMBLY BILLS

BILL	DESCRIPTION	SPONSOR(S)	STATUS	PAST MEETINGS	PAST ACTION	FUTURE MEETINGS	STAFF RECOMMENDED POSITIONS
AB99	Revises provisions governing public works. (BDR 28-686)	Assemblymen Ellison, Wheeler, Dickman, O'Neill, Black, Hafen, Hansen, Hardy, Kasama, Leavitt, Matthews, McArthur, Roberts, Titus and Tolles; Senators Goicoechea, Pickard and Seevers Gansert	Government Affairs	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 3/9/2021 9:00 AM	Heard		MONITOR
AB183	Revises provisions governing collective bargaining. (BDR 23-803)	Assemblymen Matthews, Titus, Dickman, Ellison, Black, Hafen, Hansen, Kasama, Krasner, Leavitt, McArthur, O'Neill, Roberts, Tolles and Wheeler; Senators Hardy and Pickard	Government Affairs				MONITOR
AB185	Eliminates certain scheduled increases in the minimum wage. (BDR 53-688)	Assemblymen McArthur, Matthews, Wheeler, Titus, Dickman, Black, Ellison, Hansen, Hardy, Krasner, Leavitt, O'Neill and Roberts; Senators Goicoechea and Hansen	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
AB204	Makes changes to provisions governing economic development. (BDR 18-638)	Assemblymen Kasama, O'Neill and Hardy; Senator Hammond	Revenue				MONITOR
AB222	Revises provisions governing employment practices. (BDR 53-739)	Torres	Commerce and Labor	Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor 3/17/2021 1:30 PM	Heard		MONITOR
AB227	Revises provisions relating to contractors. (BDR 54-720)	Carlton	Commerce and Labor	Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor 3/22/2021 1:00 PM	Heard	Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor - Work Session Item 3/26/2021 Upon Adjournment	MONITOR
AB246	Revises provisions governing employment practices relating to employee safety. (BDR 53-781)	Flores	Commerce and Labor				OPPOSE (unless amended)
AB250	Revises provisions relating to insurance which provides for the payment of expenses not covered by Medicare. (BDR 57-142)	Jauregui	Commerce and Labor	Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor 3/24/2021 1:00 PM	Heard		MONITOR
AB253	Revises provisions relating to governmental administration. (BDR 19-947)	Considine	Government Affairs	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 3/18/2021 9:00 AM	Heard		MONITOR
AB260	Provides for the confidentiality of contact tracing information. (BDR 40-747)	Assemblyman Leavitt; Senator Hardy	Health and Human Services			Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services 3/26/2021 1:30 PM	MONITOR
AB276	Makes changes to provisions governing public records. (BDR 19-884)	Matthews, Wheeler, Dickman, Black, Kasama, Leavitt, McArthur and Titus	Government Affairs	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 3/23/2021 9:00 AM	Heard		MONITOR
AB292	Revises provisions relating to unemployment compensation. (BDR 53-210)	Carlton	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
AB325	Revises provisions relating to the recording of documents. (BDR 20-642)	Assemblymen Kasama, Titus, Leavitt, Dickman, Ellison, Hafen, Hardy, Krasner, Matthews, McArthur, O'Neill, Roberts, Tolles and Wheeler; Senators Buck and Seevers Gansert	Government Affairs				SUPPORT
AB333	Makes changes to provisions relating to land use planning. (BDR 22-357)	Krasner, Roberts, Ellison, Hardy and O'Neill	Government Affairs				MONITOR

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BILL	DESCRIPTION	SPONSOR(S)	STATUS	PAST MEETINGS	PAST ACTION	FUTURE MEETINGS	STAFF RECOMMENDED POSITIONS
AB338	Revises provisions governing the investment of certain public money in foreign bonds, notes or other obligations. (BDR 31-787)	Orentlicher	Government Affairs				MONITOR
AB354	Authorizes the creation of water banks. (BDR 48-1091)	Committee on Ways and Means	Natural Resources	Assembly Committee on Ways and Means 3/22/2021 9:00 AM	Discussed as BDR		MONITOR
AB356	Makes various changes relating to the conservation of water. (BDR 48-1090)	Committee on Ways and Means	Natural Resources	Assembly Committee on Ways and Means 3/22/2021 9:00 AM	Discussed as BDR		MONITOR
AB361	Revises provisions relating to local governments. (BDR 20-784)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 3/22/2021 9:00 AM	Discussed as BDR		MONITOR
AB385	Revises provisions relating to compensation received by public officers and employees. (BDR 23-52)	Benitez-Thompson and Brittney Miller	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	Assembly Committee on Natural Resources 3/22/2021 4:00 PM	Do pass		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 3/22/2021 4:00 PM	Heard		MONITOR
AJR7	Urges the Congress of the United States to pass the National Infrastructure Bank Act of 2020. (BDR R-765)	Assemblymen Bilbray-Axelrod, Peters, Anderson, Benitez-Thompson, Brown-May, Carlton, Considine, Duran, Flores, Frierson, González, Gorelow, Kasama, Krasner, Martinez, Marzola, Cameron Miller, Nguyen, O'Neill, Orentlicher, Summers-Armstrong, Thomas, Torres, Watts and Yeager; Senators Brooks, Ohrenschall, Buck, Denis, Donate, Harris, Lange, Ratti, Scheible and SeEVERS Gansert	Growth and Infrastructure	Assembly Committee on Growth and Infrastructure 3/16/2021 1:30 PM	Heard		MONITOR
ACR3	Requires the Legislative Commission to appoint an interim committee to conduct a study concerning environmental justice. (BDR R-568)	Peters and Watts	Legislative Operations and Elections	Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections 3/16/2021 4:00 PM	Heard		MONITOR
ACR4	Directs the Legislative Commission to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study on general improvement districts. (BDR R-199)	Assemblymen Krasner, Matthews and Torres; Senator Settlemeyer	Legislative Operations and Elections				MONITOR

SENATE BILLS

BILL	DESCRIPTION	SPONSOR(S)	STATUS	PAST MEETINGS	PAST ACTION	FUTURE MEETINGS	STAFF RECOMMENDED POSITIONS
SB150	Makes changes to provisions relating to housing. (BDR 22-221)	Harris, Donate, Buck, Denis and Lange	Government Affairs	Senate Committee on Government Affairs 3/8/2021 3:30 PM	Heard, No Action		MONITOR
SB155	Revises provisions relating to the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. (BDR 48-471)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources	Senate Committee on Natural Resources 3/18/2021 3:30 PM	Heard, No Action		MONITOR
SB176	Revises provisions relating to the Commission to Study Governmental Purchasing. (BDR 17-512)	Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections	Legislative Operations and Elections			Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections 3/25/2021 3:30 PM	MONITOR
SB197	Revises provisions relating to renewable energy. (BDR 58-115)	Hardy	Growth and Infrastructure	Senate Committee on Growth and Infrastructure 3/17/2021 3:30 PM	Heard, No Action		MONITOR
SB199	Prohibits certain types of racial discrimination in employment and education. (BDR 53-216)	Harris and Neal	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB207	Requires the development, creation and administration of a pilot program for the purpose of establishing new apprenticeship programs for certain industries. (BDR S-876)	Senators Pickard, Hardy, Buck, Hammond, Hansen, Seevers Gansert and Settlemeyer; Assemblywoman Hardy	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
SB216	Revises provisions relating to community water systems. (BDR 19-590)	Hammond, Goicoechea, Pickard, Hardy and Settlemeyer	Government Affairs				SUPPORT
SB221	Revises provisions relating to public employment. (BDR 23-629)	Senators Buck, Hardy, Goicoechea, Hansen, Kieckhefer, Pickard and Seevers Gansert; Assemblymen Dickman and O'Neill	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB238	Revises provisions relating to public water systems. (BDR 40-885)	Goicoechea	Natural Resources				MONITOR

BILL	DESCRIPTION	SPONSOR(S)	STATUS	PAST MEETINGS	PAST ACTION	FUTURE MEETINGS	STAFF RECOMMENDED POSITIONS
SB239	Revises provisions relating to cybersecurity. (BDR 52-63)	Seevers Gansert	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
SB247	Revises provisions relating to apprenticeships. (BDR 53-575)	Dondero Loop	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
SB255	Creates the Division of Supplier Diversity within the Office of Economic Development. (BDR 18-572)	Neal	Revenue and Economic Development				MONITOR
SB266	Revises provisions relating to workers' compensation. (BDR 53-706)	Goicoechea	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
SB283	Revises provisions relating to local improvements. (BDR 22-792)	Brooks	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB289	Revises provisions relating to workers' compensation. (BDR 53-713)	Harris	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
SB293	Revises provisions relating to employment. (BDR 53-907)	Cannizzaro	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
SB294	Revises provisions governing collective bargaining by local government employers. (BDR 23-254)	Cannizzaro	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB297	Revises provisions relating to agriculture. (BDR 22-480)	Spearman	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB308	Provides for the establishment of a worksharing program. (BDR 53-716)	Dondero Loop	Commerce and Labor				MONITOR
SB319	Revises provisions relating to public works. (BDR 28-525)	Goicoechea	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB327	Revises provisions relating to discriminatory practices. (BDR 53-574)	Neal	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB351	Imposes a charge on the wholesale sales of electricity generated from renewable energy. (BDR 58-555)	Pickard	Growth and Infrastructure				MONITOR

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 3/18/2021 4:00 PM	Do pass		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	Assembly Committee on Ways and Means and Senate Committee on Finance, Subcommittees on Human Services 2/26/2021 8:00 AM	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	Heard		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	Heard		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 3/23/2021 9:00 AM	Heard		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 2/26/2021 8:00 AM	Amend, and do pass as amended		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

ASSEMBLY BILLS

BILL	DESCRIPTION	SPONSOR(S)	STATUS	PAST MEETINGS	PAST ACTION	FUTURE MEETINGS	LEG. SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
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
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	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 3/4/2021 9:00 AM	Heard		MONITOR
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 3/16/2021 4:00 PM	Do pass		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
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	Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor 3/17/2021 1:30 PM	Heard		MONITOR



ASSEMBLY BILLS

BILL	DESCRIPTION	SPONSOR(S)	STATUS	PAST MEETINGS	PAST ACTION	FUTURE MEETINGS	LEG. SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
AB146	Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 40-123)	Peters	Natural Resources	Assembly Committee on Natural Resources 3/17/2021 4:00 PM	Heard		MONITOR
AB147	Authorizes a board of county commissioners to create the office of county counsel. (BDR 20-119)	Nguyen	Government Affairs	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 3/4/2021 9:00 AM	Heard		MONITOR
AB152	Revises provisions relating to the collection of certain debts. (BDR 54-855)	Krasner, Yeager and Marzola	Commerce and Labor	Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor 3/3/2021 1:30 PM	Heard		MONITOR
AB153	Revises provisions governing performance contracts. (BDR 27-708)	Assemblywoman Bilbray-Axelrod; Senator Brooks	Government Affairs	Assembly Committee on Government Affairs 3/24/2021 9:00 AM	Amend, and do pass as amended		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 3/18/2021 1:30 PM	Amend, and do pass as amended		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
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 3/24/2021 4:00 PM	Heard		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	Senate Committee on Revenue and Economic Development 3/4/2021 1:00 PM	Heard, No Action		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 3/2/2021 3:30 PM	Amend, and do pass as amended		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	Senate Committee on Health and Human Services 3/9/2021 3:30 PM	Heard, No Action		MONITOR
SB67	Revises provisions relating to public works. (BDR 28-400)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs				MONITOR
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

SENATE BILLS

BILL	DESCRIPTION	SPONSOR(S)	STATUS	PAST MEETINGS	PAST ACTION	FUTURE MEETINGS	LEG. SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
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	Senate Committee on Revenue and Economic Development 3/4/2021 1:00 PM	Heard, No Action		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	Senate Committee on Judiciary - Work Session Item 3/25/2021 1:00 PM	MONITOR
SB109	Revises provisions relating to the collection of certain information by governmental agencies. (BDR 19-95)	Spearman	Government Affairs			Senate Committee on Government Affairs 3/26/2021 2:30 PM	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	Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor 3/12/2021 8:00 AM	Heard, No Action		MONITOR
SB141	Revises provisions relating to public works. (BDR S-44)	Brooks	Commerce and Labor	Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor 3/19/2021 8:00 AM	Amend, and do pass as amended		SUPPORT
SB149	Revises provisions relating to groundwater boards. (BDR 48-462)	Committee on Natural Resources	Natural Resources	Senate Committee on Natural Resources 3/11/2021 3:30 PM	Heard, No Action		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

## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Western Regional Water Commission Legislative Subcommittee  
**FROM:** Michael Pagni  
**DATE:** March 8, 2021  
**SUBJECT:** **Presentation of status report on legislation of interest to WRWC and possible direction regarding WRWC's position on legislation**

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### SUMMARY

The 2021 Session began on February 1 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 which staff believes are relevant to the jurisdiction and authority of the Western Regional Water Commission and recommended positions on those bills. Staff and legal counsel Michael Pagni will provide a summary of significant bills at the Legislative Subcommittee meeting.

### 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	STAFF RECOMMENDED POSITIONS
<b>ASSEMBLY BILLS</b>							
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		MONITOR
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	MONITOR
AB39	Revises provisions relating to public records. (BDR 19-333)	Committee on Government Affairs	Government Affairs				MONITOR
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
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
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
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
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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	<b>SENATE BILLS</b>						
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
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
SB109	Revises provisions relating to the collection of certain information by governmental agencies. (BDR 19-95)	Spearman	Government Affairs				MONITOR
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
SB138	Revises provisions relating to planned development	Lange and Pickard	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB149	Revises provisions relating to groundwater boards. (BDR 48-462)	Committee on Natural Resources	Printer				MONITOR
SB150	Makes changes to provisions relating to housing	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

**Western Regional Water Commission Status Of Legislation - March 26, 2021**

Name	Description	Sponsor(s)	Status	Past Meetings	Past Action	Future Meetings	Staff Recommendation
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 Ways and Means and Senate Committee on Finance, Subcommittees on Human Services 2/26/2021 8:00 AM	Mentioned no jurisdiction		MONITOR
AB90	Requires counties to pay impact fees to certain local governments for projects of intercounty significance. (BDR 22-883)	Benitez-Thompson	Government Affairs				MONITOR
AB333	Makes changes to provisions relating to land use planning. (BDR 22-357)	Krasner, Roberts, Ellison, Hardy and O'Neill	Government Affairs				MONITOR
SB 77	Revises provisions relating to public bodies		Government Affairs		Heard, No action		MONITOR
SB 138	Revises provisions relating to planned development	Lane and Pickard	Government Affairs	Senate Government Affairs	Heard, No action		MONITOR