

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 20, 2023  
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) via Teleconference. Chair Duerr called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

TMWA Members Present: Naomi Duerr, Paul Anderson, Alexis Hill\*

TMWA Members Absent: None

TMWA Legal Counsel Present: Lucas Foletta

TMWA Staff Present: Gina Martin, Laura Rader, Stefanie Morris, Jordan Grow, and Leo Drozdoff

A quorum of the TMWA Legislative Subcommittee was present.

WRWC Members Present: Naomi Duerr, Paul Anderson Alexis

Hill\* WRWC Members Absent: None

WRWC Legal Counsel: Lucas Foletta

WRWC Staff Present: Kim Rigdon and Birgit Widegren

A quorum of the WRWC Legislative Subcommittee was present.

*\*Member Hill was present at 1:08 p.m.*

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Upon motion duly made by Member Anderson, seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA and WRWC Subcommittees approved the agenda. Member Hill was not present for the vote.**

4. APPROVAL OF THE TMWA MINUTES OF MARCH 24, 2023

**Upon motion duly made by Vice Chair Anderson, seconded by Chair Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the March 24, 2023 minutes. Member Hill was not present for the vote.**

5. APPROVAL OF THE WRWC MINUTES OF MARCH 24, 2023

**Upon motion duly made by Member Hill, seconded by Vice Chair Duerr, and carried unanimously, the WRWC Subcommittee approved the March 24, 2023 minutes.**

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

Stefanie Morris, TMWA Director of Legal and Regulatory Affairs, informed the subcommittee that April 14<sup>th</sup> was the last day for bills to pass out of first committee and with that deadline nineteen TMWA tracked bills did not move out of the first committee. AB 31 (making Juneteenth a legal holiday in Nevada) is addressed in another bill. AB 105 (allowing for broadband providers to use public utility easements) did not pass. AJR 3 (assembly joint resolution proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to include the public trust doctrine as well as directing state agencies to consider the public trust in their actions) did not pass.

Ms. Morris informed the subcommittee that TMWA is currently tracking about 70 bills.

Ms. Morris stated that April 25<sup>th</sup> is the last day for bills to pass out of the first house, May 19<sup>th</sup> is the last day for committee passage out of the second house, May 26<sup>th</sup> is the second house passage date and June 5<sup>th</sup> is the ending of the Legislative session. These dates are subject to change.

Ms. Morris informed the subcommittee that many of the HR bills TMWA is tracking are to ensure compliance if they pass .

Ms. Morris provided an update on the two categories of bills that require amendments. The first is the public contracting bills and the second is water bills. There was discussion around SB 112, 113, 176 and AB 387.

Mr. Drozdoff noted that AB 387 and SB 113 deal with the same statutes and similar parts of statutes. Should both of these bills continue to advance there will be a need for some legislative process to ensure the bills do not conflict.

Ms. Morris asked for a motion to approve the updated tracking sheet, noting no new support positions at this time. Ms. Morris clarified what the colors on the tracking sheet meant per Chair Duerr's request.

**Upon motion duly made by Member Hill and seconded by Vice Chair Anderson, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee accepted the report.**

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 6

Lucas Foletta, WRWC Legal Counsel, updated the subcommittee. Many bills WRWC monitors but are not necessarily involved with. There are no new bills WRWC is tracking. At the last meeting WRWC voted to support AB 261 and did register support. AB 261 has come out of committee and is now on the floor the Assembly. It was in line to be voted on but was taken out. It will likely be put back in line. It is subject to the April 25<sup>th</sup> deadline.

8. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Member Anderson thanked staff for their work. Members Duerr and Hill concurred.

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 Duerr adjourned the meeting at 1:42 p.m.

*Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority and the Western Regional Water Commission on May 19, 2023.*

Submitted by,

Jennifer Purgitt, Recording Clerk