

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 7, 2025
CONCURRENT MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY
AND
THE LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE WESTERN
REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION

The meeting of the Concurrent Legislative Subcommittees of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA) and Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) in TMWA's Independence Conference Room. Chair Duerr called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

TMWA Members Present: Paul Anderson and Naomi Duerr

TMWA Legislative Subcommittee Legal Counsel Present: Justina Caviglia

TMWA Staff Present: Sonia Folsom, Dan Nubel, Eddy Quagliari, Laura Rader, Danny Rotter, John Zimmerman, Stefanie Morris and Leo Drozdoff

A quorum of the TMWA Legislative Subcommittee was present.

WRWC Members Present: Paul Anderson and Naomi Duerr

WRWC Legal Counsel: Lucas Foletta

WRWC Staff Present: Birgit Widegren

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 by Member Anderson, seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the agenda.

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

4. APPROVAL OF THE JOINT WRWC AND TMWA LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 5, 2024

Upon motion duly made by Member Anderson, seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the November 5, 2024 minutes.

Upon motion duly made by Member Anderson, seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the WRWC Subcommittee approved the November 5, 2024 minutes.

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

Upon motion duly made by Member Anderson, seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the nomination of Naomi Duer as Chair of the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority.

Upon motion duly made by Member Anderson, seconded by Member Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee approved the nomination of Alexis Hill as Vice Chair of the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority.

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

The Members discussed the best days and times to schedule the meetings and to hold them as needed to update the respective Subcommittees.

Upon motion duly made by Member Anderson, seconded by Chair Duerr, and carried unanimously, the TMWA and WRWC Subcommittees approved the meeting schedule, both in-person and virtual, of the TMWA and WRWC's Concurrent Legislative Subcommittee to be held on Fridays at 2:00pm.

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

Dan Nubel, TMWA Staff Attorney, reported that there were over 900 Bill Draft Request (BDRs) and over 500 Bills, of which TMWA is tracking 92 and 131, respectively. Of the Bills TMWA is monitoring, AB51 (relates to public records and allows governmental entities to charge a reasonable fee for personnel and tech resources to fulfill the request), AB120 (agencies to assess the economic impact of a proposed regulation), SB2 (relates to open meeting law and collective bargaining discussions), and SB71 (relates to purchasing and establishes a Nevada Diverse Business Advisory Council). Leo

Drozdoﬀ, TMWA Government Affairs Consultant, provided an overview on SB36 (establishes the Nevada Water Buy-Back Initiative and the Advisory Committee) and AB104, formerly referred to as the Omnibus Bill, (requires the State Engineer to retire certain water rights, revises provisions related to temporary permits to appropriate groundwater, and creating an account for retiring water rights), both bills are linked, but staff is recommending support for AB104 at this time.

Upon motion duly made by Chair Duerr, seconded by Member Anderson, and carried unanimously, the TMWA Subcommittee accepted staff recommendation to support AB104.

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

Lucas Foletta, WRWC General Counsel noted that WRWC Staff are monitoring the PFAS Bill, SB76 (from the 2023 session), and will report on its status accordingly. He also reported that WRWC Staff is monitoring AB 104 but is not recommending action at this time as WRWC’s interests as a planning agency are not directly implicated.

No motion was taken.

9. SUBCOMMITTEE COMMENTS

Chair Duerr thanked staff for all the information and suggested adding Zoom for future meetings.

10. STAFF COMMENTS

There were no staff comments.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

12. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chair Duerr adjourned the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

Approved by the Legislative Subcommittee of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority and the Western Regional Water Commission on Friday, March 14, 2025.

Submitted by,

Sonia Folsom, Recording Clerk