



## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chairman and Board Members  
**FROM:** Mark Foree, General Manager  
**DATE:** January 13, 2015  
**SUBJECT:** **Appointments of TMWA's representative(s) to the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC)**

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### **Recommendation**

With former TMWA Board Member Kitty Jung's departure from the TMWA Board, the TMWA Board is required to appoint a Washoe County representative to the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) to serve the remainder of the term (ending March 31, 2015) vacated by Kitty Jung and the Board may also consider appointing the same representative for the two year term beginning April 1, 2015.

Since TMWA Board Member Vaughn Hartung is Washoe County's representative to the WRWC, Washoe County Commissioner Jeanne Herman will need to be appointed by the TMWA Board to the WRWC.

### **Background**

During the 2007 legislative session, SB487 was enacted to create the Western Regional Water Commission (effective date April 1, 2008), a governing board to oversee water resources planning and management in Washoe County. The Western Regional Water Commission Act, Chapter 531, Statutes of Nevada, Section 25, provides for appointments as follows:

**Sec. 25. 1.** The Regional Water Commission must be directed and governed by a Board of Trustees composed of the following nine members appointed pursuant to this section:

- (a) Two members of the City Council of the City of Reno;
- (b) Two members of the City Council of the City of Sparks;
- (c) Two members of the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County;
- (d) One member representing the Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility or its successor;
- (e) One member designated by the Board of Trustees of the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District or its successor; and
- (f) One member of the Board of Trustees of the Sun Valley General Improvement District or its successor.

2. The City Council of the City of Reno, the City Council of the City of Sparks and the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County shall each appoint one trustee from their membership for an initial term of 2 years.

3. The Board of Directors of the Truckee Meadows Water Authority or its successor shall appoint from its membership, for initial terms of 3 years:

(a) One trustee who is a member of the City Council of the City of Reno;

(b) One trustee who is a member of the City Council of the City of Sparks; and

(c) One trustee who is a member of the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County.

↳ The trustees appointed pursuant to this subsection must be different persons than those appointed pursuant to subsection 2.

4. The Board of Trustees of the Sun Valley General Improvement District or its successor and the Board of Trustees of the South Truckee Meadows General Improvement District or its successor shall each appoint one trustee from its membership for an initial term of 3 years.

5. The owners of the Truckee Meadows Water Reclamation Facility or its successor shall jointly appoint one trustee for an initial term of 2 years.

6. After the initial terms, each trustee who is appointed to the Board serves for a term of 2 years. A trustee may be reappointed.

7. All trustees must be elected officials. No trustee may serve beyond his term of office.

8. The position of a trustee must be considered vacated upon his loss of any of the qualifications required for his appointment, and in such event, the appointing authority shall appoint a successor to fill the remainder of the unexpired term.