

Western Regional Water Commission

DATE: February 18, 2011
TO: Chairman and Members, Legislative Subcommittee
FROM: John Rhodes, Legal Counsel
SUBJECT: Bill Draft Requests that may affect the Western Regional Water Commission (“WRWC”) / Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”)

The following report lists Bill Draft Requests ("BDR's") in the 2011 Nevada Legislature, as of February 18, 2011 that may affect or are of interest to the WRWC and NNWPC. BDR's that have been drafted are noted with an "AB" (Assembly) or "SB" (Senate) designation. Staff recommendations as to these items will be made at the Legislative Subcommittee meeting on February 25, 2011.

Bill Drafts Requested

Water Issues

- 48--206 **Legislative Committee on Public Lands (NRS 218E.510)**
Revises provisions governing the use of water for evaporation in a pit lake or gravel pit. (8/04/2010)
- 48--207 **Legislative Committee on Public Lands (NRS 218E.510)**
AB115 Revises provisions governing certain notices and hearings concerning applications to appropriate water for beneficial use.
- 48--208 **Legislative Committee on Public Lands (NRS 218E.510)**
Repeals provisions requiring a public hearing before the issuance of an order granting domestic well credits to a public water system. (8/04/2010)
- 48--209 **Legislative Committee on Public Lands (NRS 218E.510)**
AB114 Revises the amount of the fees collected for issuing a permit to appropriate water for agricultural use. (8/04/2010)
- 20--243 **Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission (SB 487)**
Authorizes the issuance of bonds to finance loans made to provide financial assistance to persons to connect to the public water or sewer system in certain counties. (8/19/2010)
- 20--244 **Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission (SB 487)**
Allows issuance of County Bond Bank bonds for refunding of securities previously issued to an entity other than the County Bond Bank. (8/19/2010)

- 285 **Senator Rhoads**
Provides for temporary water use for restoration of burned areas.
(8/30/2010)
- 299 **Assemblyman Goicoechea**
Revises provision relating to ground water basins. (8/31/2010)
- 312 **Assemblyman Goicoechea**
Revises provisions relating to stock water. By Request (8/31/2010)
- 347 **Assemblyman Ohrenschall**
Revises provisions relating to water. (8/31/2010)
- 48--360 **Assemblyman Goedhart**
Revises provisions relating to the filing of a protest to an application to appropriate water. (9/01/2010)
- 48--467 **Water Resources, Division of-Conservation and Natural Resources**
AB73 Clarifies provisions governing notices and the right of entry by State Engineer and staff for inspection and eliminates hearings for domestic well credit programs. (9/01/2010)
- 32--468 **Water Resources, Division of-Conservation and Natural Resources**
AB46 Clarifies requirements for payment of State Engineer assessments for the management of water. (9/01/2010)
- 48--525 **Eureka County**
SB68 Includes participation by local governments in monitoring, management and mitigation of water resources. (9/01/2010)
- 32--542 **Assemblyman Segerblom (Originally requested by Assemblyman Mortenson)**
Imposes sales tax on bottled water. By Request (10/04/2010)
- 681 **Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick**
Allows for public water agencies to lease water. (12/12/2010)
- R--730 **Assemblyman Elliot Anderson**
ACR: Provides for the study of water. (12/14/2010)
- 48—821 **Senate Committee on Government Affairs**
SB153 Revises provisions relating to water. (12/15/10)
On Behalf Of the City of Caliente
- 829 **Senator McGinness**
Makes various changes relating to water. (12/15/2010)
- 45—847 **Assemblywoman Bustamante Adams**
AB167 Enacts provisions for the protection of the waters of this State from aquatic invasive species. (12/15/10)

Assemblyman Goedhart

R--895 AJR: Urges the Federal Government to enter into discussions with the State of Nevada and Nye County concerning mitigation for contamination of certain waters in the State. (12/15/2010)

926 **Senator Schneider**

Makes various changes relating to the regulation and use of water. (12/15/2010) By Request

Open Meeting Issues

19--107 **Assemblyman Carpenter**

Revises provisions governing the Open Meeting Law. (6/10/2010)

19--226 **Assemblyman Ohrenschall**

Revises provisions regarding the Open Meeting Law. (8/10/2010)

19--288 **Attorney General**

AB59 Makes various changes to the Open Meeting Law. 8/30/2010

527 **Assemblyman Bobzien**

Joint Requester: Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick
Revises provisions governing the use of websites by local governments to comply with the Open Meeting Law. (9/02/2010)