

**CARSON WATER SUBCONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Regional Water System & Flood Committee**

August 12, 2020, 8:30 am

Draft Minutes

The CWSD Regional Water System & Flood Committee meeting was held via Zoom Videoconference and teleconference due to Governor Sisolak's statewide Emergency Directive in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Committee Members Present:

Brad Bonkowski
Kathy Canfield
Carl Erquiaga
David Griffith
Jack Jacobs
Mike Workman

Committee Members Not Present:

Fred Stodieck

CWSD Staff Present:

Ed James
Debbie Neddenriep
Catrina Schambra

Others Present:

Michael Bennett, Lumos & Assoc. Inc.
Mark Lovelady, Gardnerville Water Co.
Greg Reed, Gardnerville Ranchos GID

Committee Member Erquiaga called the video/teleconference meeting of the Carson Water Subconservancy District's Regional Water System and Flood Committee to order at 8:30 am. Roll call was taken and a quorum of the committee was determined to be present.

Item #3 – Discussion Only: Public Comment - None

Item #4 - For Possible Action: Approval of Agenda

Committee Member Bonkowski made a motion to approve the Regional Water System and Flood Committee Agenda. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Griffith and unanimously approved by the Regional Water System and Flood Committee.

Item #5 - For Possible Action: Approval of the Regional Water System and Flood Committee Minutes of May 4, 2020

Committee Member Bonkowski made a motion to approve the Regional Water System and Flood Committee Minutes from May 4, 2020. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Griffith and unanimously approved by the Regional Water System and Flood Committee.

Item #6 - For Possible Action: Discuss a funding request from Gardnerville Ranchos GID & Gardnerville Water Company for an intertie between the two utilities

Greg Reed, District Manager for Gardnerville Ranchos GID presented the emergency intertie project between GR GID and Gardnerville Water Company. Two possible locations being considered are (1) at the intersection of Centerville Lane and Waterloo Lane and (2) at the intersection of Highway 395 and Muller Parkway. He discussed logistics of both options. To get the project started, GR GID has hired Lumos to conduct a feasibility study of the two locations for both emergency and potential long-term use. GR GID is very excited and determined to complete this project. Mr. Reed is here today, along with Mark Lovelady of Gardnerville Water Company to bring the project to the CWSD Board for possible future funding consideration. The contract with Lumos was just signed this week, so the project is in preliminary stage, but they wanted it on CWSD radar.

Mr. James explains to the committee that the purpose today is to make sure that this is a project CWSD wants to support, not that we are committing to funding, but a consensus in favor of the project goals. Any actual funding requests will be brought back later to CWSD for consideration when the project scope and costs have been determined.

Director Workman asks if the Lumos contract scope of work includes determining funding sources. Michael Bennett (Lumos) explained the funding aspect is not included in their current contract, just the feasibility of the project itself. Is it physically possible, reasonable, and safe? Is the project viable?

Director Workman suggests that when the funding search begins that they reach out to Jason Cooper (SRF Program) as he is a member of that Board and they heavily favor interties. Also, Sheryl Couch at USDA would be a possible source.

Director Bonkowski stated that this all seems very preliminary and the most CWSD can do today is support the idea behind the project, but we need actual budget numbers before we can approve anything to move forward. Committee Member Griffith agrees, stating we do support interties, but we need more information. Come back after the study is completed.

Mr. James says since this question of interties in Douglas County was last discussed back in 2010, he wanted the discussion to be brought back to the committee to ascertain that this is still something CWSD wants to pursue. We are looking for direction to move forward.

Chairman Erquiaga appreciates it being brought to the committee and states there is a consensus of strong support for interties.

No action was taken.

Item # 7 – For Discussion Only – Update on the Carson River Watershed Workshop

Mr. James discussed the plans moving forward on the virtual Workshop which is tentatively scheduled for October 12. There are many local and state professionals taking part and some

of the presentations will be pre-recorded. This is our first foray into a virtual workshop, and we are excited by the challenge to make it both engaging and effective. There will be more details ready to present to the Board at the August meeting.

No action was taken.

There being no further business to come before the Regional Water System and Flood Committee, Director Erquiaga adjourned the meeting at 8:52 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Catrina Schambra

Secretary to the Board