

**THE REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM AND FLOOD COMMITTEE  
OF THE CARSON WATER SUBCONSERVANCY DISTRICT  
AND CARSON RIVER/ALPINE COUNTY WATER SUBCONSERVANCY  
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

**DATE:** August 29, 2017  
**TIME:** 2:00 P.M.  
**LOCATION:** Carson Water Subconservancy District Conference Room  
777 E. William St., #110  
Carson City, NV 89701

AGENDA

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1. Call to Order of the Carson Water Subconservancy District Board
2. Roll Call
3. Discussion Only: Public Comment - Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under public comment until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting.
4. For Possible Action: Approval of the Regional Water System Committee Meeting Minutes from March 29, 2016.

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THE CARSON RIVER/ALPINE COUNTY WATER SUBCONSERVANCY  
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD

5. Roll Call for the Carson River/Alpine County Water Subconservancy Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Board.
6. Discussion Only: Public Comment - Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under public comment until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting.
7. For Possible Recommendation: Discuss what possible financial assistance, if any, CWSD would want to provide for the repairs to the grade control/diversion structures and/or provide to the conservation districts to assist in the repairs along the Carson River that were damaged by the January and February 2017 floods.
8. For Possible Recommendation: Discuss possible changes to the Funding Assistance for Regional Water System Policy and Procedure and the possibility of including regional wastewater collection systems as eligible projects for funding assistance.
9. For Possible Recommendation: Discuss the possibility of providing funding assistance to evaluate the 100-year flows downstream of Lahontan Dam.
10. Discussion Only: Public Comment - Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under public comment until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting.

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DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

11. For Possible Action: Discuss what possible financial assistance, if any, CWSD would want to provide for the repairs to the grade control/diversion structures and/or provide to the conservation districts to assist in the repairs along the Carson River that were damaged by the January and February 2017 floods.
12. For Possible Action: Discuss possible changes to the Funding Assistance for Regional Water System Policy and Procedure and the possibility of including regional wastewater collection systems as eligible projects for funding assistance.
13. For Possible Action: Discuss the possibility of providing funding assistance to evaluate the 100-year flows downstream of Lahontan Dam.
14. Discussion Only: Public Comment - Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under public comment until scheduled on an agenda for action at a later meeting.
15. Adjournment

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**CARSON WATER SUBCONSERVANCY DISTRICT AND  
CARSON RIVER/ALPINE COUNTY WATER SUBCONSERVANCY  
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

TO: REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM AND FLOOD COMMITTEE

FROM: EDWIN D. JAMES

DATE: AUGUST 29, 2017

SUBJECT: Agenda Item Background Information

**Item # 5 - Discuss what possible financial assistance, if any, CWSD would want to provide for the repairs to the grade control/diversion structures along the Carson River that were damaged by the January and February 2017 floods.**

In the past after federally declared flood disasters, CWSD worked with FEMA to obtain the funding and provide grant oversight for the repairs to the diversion/grade control structures. CWSD also provided some funding to cover part of the 25 percent match. This occurred because the grade control structures were public assets. Giving public money to private individuals is problematic. Although there are still several questions regarding whether the diversion/grade control structures are public or private, these structures do provide a public benefit to the river system. Staff has been talking with the conservation districts (CD) and some ranchers regarding how we may be able to assist in the repairs to the diversion/grade control structures. The following are some ideas we have been discussing:

1. I have been told that even if the ranchers can get funding from Farm Services Agency, the program is a reimbursable program. One rancher has mentioned that he would have to get a loan to fund the project and then wait until he gets reimburse from Farm Services Agency to pay back the loan. This will increase his costs to do the project. CWSD has a policy that allows the CD to borrow money with no interest costs. One possible idea would be to work through the CD and provide the upfront loan for the repairs. This would require the ranchers are able to get a grant from the Farm Service Agency.
2. Provide funding to the CD so they could assist the ranchers with the paper work (i.e., permit fees) and oversee the repair work.
3. Provide the CD with some funding to help cover the costs to repair the structures. This idea is not well defined and needs more discussion.

**Item #6 - Discuss possible changes to the Funding Assistance for Regional Water System Policy and Procedure and the possibility of including regional wastewater collection systems as eligible projects for funding assistance and to clarify the policy language on reimbursement of funds if the regional capacity is used by a private company.**

Currently, CWSD has a policy to provide funding assistance for regional water systems (see attached policy). Regional water systems include "water projects, potable or non-potable systems." Over the past year there have been some inquiries into the possibility of expanding the regional program to include wastewater collection systems. There are several proposed regional wastewater collections systems throughout the watershed. The concern with including

wastewater collection systems is the limited funding CWSD has in its Acquisition/Construction Fund.

Another issue is the need to clarify some of the language in the Regional Water System Policy. It has been CWSD's intent that if CWSD provides funding to upsize or help fund an intertie, a public entity can use the capacity or intertie structure at no cost. However, if a private entity were to utilize the capacity or the intertie, the private entity would reimburse CWSD its costs. The language in the current policy is not as clear as it can be regarding this goal. Staff recommends revising the language in the policy (see proposed language changes).

**Item #7 - Discuss the possibility of providing funding assistance to evaluate the 100-year flows downstream of Lahontan Dam.**

Churchill County and the City of Fallon are interested in remapping the FEMA 100-year floodplain below Lahontan Reservoir. To do this there needs to be a study to calculate what the 100-year flow is below Lahontan Reservoir. CWSD has been asked if we can help facilitate and fund this process. This process will require coordinating meetings with several different affected parties and hiring an engineer to conduct the analysis. Funding for this program would come out of the Floodplain Management Fund.