

**AGENDA**  
**CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY**

Eureka County Courthouse  
Commission Chambers  
10 South Main Street  
Eureka, Nevada  
April 27, 2018  
10:00 a.m.

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- Notes:**
1. Items on this agenda on which action may be taken are followed by the term "**Possible Action.**"
  2. Items on this agenda may be taken out of order, combined with other agenda items for consideration, removed from the agenda, or delayed for discussion at any time.
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  4. For further information or to obtain copies of board materials contact Jeff Fontaine, Executive Director, (775-443-7667) or ccjfontaine@gmail.com

**ITEM**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman’s welcome, roll call, determination of quorum, pledge of allegiance and introductions. (Discussion)
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – This time is devoted to comments by the general public, pursuant to NRS 241.020(2)(c)(3). No action will be taken on matters raised under public comment until the matter itself has been included on an agenda as an action item. (Discussion)
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Approval of the agenda for the Authority’s meeting of April 27, 2018, including taking items out of sequence, deleting items and adding items which require action upon a finding that an emergency exists. (**Possible Action**)
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Review and approve minutes of the December 1, 2017 Central Nevada Regional Water Authority meeting. (**Possible Action**)
5. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY** – Recommendation that the Board of Directors for CNRWA appoint a chairman from its directors pursuant to Section 1., Article V, of the Bylaws of the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority. (**Possible Action**)
6. **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY** – Recommendation that the Board of Directors for CNRWA appoint a vice chairman from its directors pursuant to Section 1., Article V, of the Bylaws of the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority. (**Possible Action**)
7. **FINANCIAL REPORT AND QUARTERLY EXPENDITURES** – Recommendation to approve the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority financial report and quarterly expenditures. (**Possible Action**)

- 8. POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO UTILIZE SERVICES OF NEENA LAXALT AS A SUBCONTRACTOR** - The Executive Director is proposing to utilize the services of Ms. Neena Laxalt to assist in legislative matters on behalf of CNRWA. There is no budgetary impact to CNRWA. **(Possible Action)**
- 9. POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET** – Recommendation to discuss and approve the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority fiscal year 2018-2019 budget. **(Possible Action)**
- 10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP AND GOVERNMENT PARTNER MEMBERSHIP OF THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY** – Pursuant to Article III of the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority Bylaws there are three classes of membership; member counties, associate members and government partners. The CNRWA Board set \$1,000 as the annual dues to be paid by a CNRWA associate member and a CNRWA government partner member. **(Possible Action)**
- 11. PRESENTATION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY’S FISCAL YEAR 2018 GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROGRAM** – Recommendation to receive and approve a presentation by Nyle Pennington, consultant, on implementation of the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority’s fiscal year 2018 Groundwater Monitoring Program. **(Possible Action)**
- 12. UPDATE ON THE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, NEVADA WATER SCIENCE CENTER.** (Discussion)
- 13. PRESENTATION ON REMOTE SENSING AND ITS APPLICATION TO IRRIGATION BY DR. JUSTIN HUNTINGTON, ASSOCIATE RESEARCH PROFESSOR OF HYDROLOGY AT THE DESERT RESEARCH INSTITUTE.** (Discussion)
- 14. PRESENTATION ON THE NEVADA STATE ENGINEER’S ORDER NUMBER 1293 ISSUED DECEMBER 19, 2017 PROHIBITING THE DRILLING OF NEW DOMESTIC WELLS IN THE PAHRUMP ARTESIAN BASIN (10-162) NYE COUNTY, NEVADA.** Oz Wichman, Nye County Water District General Manager, will provide the presentation. (Discussion)
- 15. UPDATE ON THE DIAMOND VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN.** (Discussion)
- 16. PRESENTATION ON RESOURCE NEEDS ASSESSMENT INITIATIVE TO ASSIST LOCALLY BASED AND LOCALLY IMPLEMENTED SOLUTIONS FOR NATURAL RESOURCE ISSUES, INCLUDING WATER** – Gary McCuin, Eureka County Extension Educator and Second Vice-President of the Nevada Association of Conservation Districts will provide the presentation. (Discussion)
- 17. UPDATE ON THE STATE ENGINEER’S PROPOSED REGULATIONS FOR CONJUNCTIVE MANAGEMENT OF SURFACE WATER AND GROUNDWATER IN THE HUMBOLT RIVER BASIN.** (Discussion)

- 18. UPDATE ON SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY'S WATER RIGHTS APPLICATIONS IN SPRING, CAVE, DRY LAKE AND DELAMAR VALLEYS IN WHITE PINE COUNTY AND CONSTRUCTION OF A PIPELINE TO CONVEY WATER TO SOUTHERN NEVADA. (Discussion)**
- 19. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CREATE A JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE WITH THE HUMBOLDT RIVER BASIN WATER AUTHORITY AND SELECTION OF CNRWA MEMBERS. (Possible Action)**
- 20. DISCUSSION REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN A NEVADA WATER FUTURE DISCUSSION. (Discussion)**
- 21. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING WATER RIGHTS APPLICATIONS FILED WITH THE NEVADA STATE ENGINEER –** A task of the CNRWA Executive Director is to monitor proposals for development and use of water resources in the member counties and allowing the CNRWA Board an opportunity to formulate a position on the proposals. This item will include discussion and possible action on December 2017 and January, February, March and April 2018 water right filings and State Engineer Rulings and Orders. **(Possible Action)**
- 22. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A REQUEST FOR THE ADJUDICATION OF RIGHTS RELATING THE USE OF WATER AT THE JERSEY HOT SPRINGS IN JERSEY VALLEY.** On April 13, 2017 the Lander County Board of County Commissioner sent a letter to the Nevada Department of Water Resources requesting an adjudication of rights relating the use of water at the Jersey Hot Springs in Jersey Valley by Joe Saval Company, LLC. **(Possible Action)**
- 23. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A WRITTEN REQUEST BY JEFF FONTAINE THAT THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY EXTEND THE PERIOD OF SERVICE IN HIS AGREEMENT WITH THE AUTHORITY ONE YEAR, FROM JULY 1, 2018 TO JUNE 30, 2019 –** Recommendation to approve Jeff Fontaine's written request that the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority extend the period of service in his agreement with the Authority one year, from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, and reimbursement for labor not to exceed \$40,000. **(Possible Action)**
- 24. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY AND NYLE PENNINGTON TO IMPLEMENT THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROGRAM DURING FISCAL YEAR 2019 –** Recommendation to approve a contract for professional services between CNRWA and Nyle Pennington, consultant, to implement the Central Nevada Regional Water Authority Groundwater Monitoring Program for the period July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, and reimbursement for time and travel not to exceed \$11,000. **(Possible Action)**
- 25. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A LETTER TO CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY DIRECTORS REGARDING REGULAR NONATTENDANCE AT BOARD MEETINGS. (Possible Action)**
- 26. BOARD MEMBER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS –** Board members and the Executive Director can make announcements, request information and discuss topics for future agendas. **(Discussion)**

**27. NEXT MEETING** – Set date, place, time and possible agenda items for the Authority’s next meeting. **(Possible Action)**

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*I, Wilma Mansfield, do hereby affirm that I posted, or cause to be posted, a copy of this notice of public meeting, on or before the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at the following location in Churchill County, Nevada and websites.*

- 1. Churchill County Administration Building*
- 2. The State of Nevada Website @ <https://notice.nv.gov>.*

*/s/ Wilma Mansfield*

Wilma Mansfield, Executive Assistant

Central Nevada Regional Water Authority