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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND AGENDA FOR THE

CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

Friday November 6, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Churchill County Administration Building
Commission Chambers
155 North Taylor Street
Fallon, NV 89406

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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. Public comment will be limited to 3 minutes. (Discussion)

3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.** (Discussion)

4. **EMERGENCY ITEMS** – Approval of adding items which require action upon a finding that an emergency exists. **(For Possible Action)**

5. **CONSENT AGENDA FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and may be acted upon by the CNRWA Board with one action and without an extensive hearing. Any member of the Board may request that an item be taken from the Consent Agenda, discussed, and acted upon separately during this meeting.

   a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Review and approve minutes of the July 24, 2026 Central Nevada Regional Water Authority meeting. **(For Possible Action)**

   b) **FINANCIAL REPORT AND QUARTERLY EXPENDITURES** – Recommendation to approve CNRWA's financial report and quarterly expenditures. **(For Possible Action)**

   c) **APPROVAL TO RENEW CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY'S ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP WITH THE NEVADA WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION FOR 2027. (For Possible Action)**

   d) **APPROVAL TO PAY THE REGISTRATION FEE FOR ONE DIRECTOR/ALTERNATE FROM EACH CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY MEMBER COUNTY TO ATTEND THE 2027 NEVADA WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN SPARKS, NEVADA. (For Possible Action)**

   e) **APPROVAL TO CONSIDER REQUESTS FROM CNRWA BOARD MEMBERS/ALTERNATES FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES TO ATTEND THE 2027 NEVADA WATER RESOURCES ANNUAL CONFERENCE** – Discussion and possible action to consider requests from CNRWA Board Members/Alternates for reimbursement of travel, lodging and meal expenses up to $500 to attend the 2027 Nevada Water Resources Annual Conference. **(For Possible Action)**

   f) **APPROVAL TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF SERVICE AND TOTAL FEES OF CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY'S AGREEMENT WITH DAVID BERGER (INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR) FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE AUTHORITY'S DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE EXTENSION ON BEHALF OF THE AUTHORITY** – Approve an extension to the period of service of CNRWA's agreement with David Berger from January 1, 2027 to December 31, 2027, and amend Section 5.1 of the agreement to indicate that for the extended period of service the not to exceed amount is $10,000. **(For Possible Action)**

   g) **APPROVAL TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF SERVICE AND TOTAL FEES OF CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY'S AGREEMENT WITH LEONARD LAW, PC (INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR) FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE AUTHORITY'S DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE EXTENSION ON BEHALF OF THE AUTHORITY** – Approve an extension to the period of service of CNRWA's agreement with Leonard Law, PC from January 1, 2027 to June 30, 2027, and amend Section 5.1 of the agreement to indicate that for the extended period of service the not to exceed amount is $15,000. **(For Possible Action)**

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

6. **APPROVAL TO AMEND CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY'S PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NEVADA AUTHORITY MANAGEMENT, LLC FROM AN HOURLY RATE OF $103.00 TO A FIXED QUARTERLY PAYMENT OF $10,000.00. (For Possible Action)**

7. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - CONSIDER APPROVING OR NOT APPROVING, A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ARC DOME STRATEGIES TO PROVIDE CERTAIN GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS SERVICES TO THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY DURING THE 2027 LEGISLATIVE SESSION, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE AUTHORITY'S DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT AND APPROVE MONTHLY INVOICES ON BEHALF OF THE AUTHORITY**– Approval of a professional services agreement with Arc Dome Strategies to monitor bills, attend hearings and represent the Authority during the 84th (2027) Legislative Session. The period of service is from February 1 to May 31, 2027 for a not to exceed amount of $10,000. **(For Possible Action)**

8. **PRESENTATION ON CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROGRAM –** Recommendation to receive and approve a presentation by Mr. Chris Wagenseller, independent contractor, on the CNRWA fiscal year 2026- 2027 Groundwater Monitoring Program. **(Possible Action)**

9. **UPDATE ON THE NEVADA WATER INITIATIVE (NWI), AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT THE AUTHORITY'S DIRECTOR TO SEND A LETTER ON BEHALF OF CNRWA TO GOVERNOR LOMBARDO ADVOCATING FOR NWI FUNDING IN THE 2027–2029 EXECUTIVE BUDGET–** Presentation by Kip Allander, Chief of Hydrology, Nevada Division of Water Resources. **(Possible Action)**

10. **UPDATE ON THE NEVADA WATER LAW JUDGES PILOT PROGRAM (NEVADA SUPREME COURT RULE 18)** – Presentation by the Authority's Executive Director. (Discussion)

11. **UPDATE ON INTERIM LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BILL DRAFT REQUESTS FOR THE 2027 LEGISLATIVE SESSION. (For Possible Action)**

12. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING WATER RIGHT APPLICATIONS FILED WITH THE NEVADA STATE ENGINEER** – Discussion and possible action on July 2026 to November 2026 water right filings, previously and newly filed protest letters and comment letters by the CNRWA; and State Engineer Rulings and Orders. **(For Possible Action)**

13. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT TO THE CENTRAL NEVADA REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY BOARD** – Executive Director's report on water issues, including but not limited to, current and recent water law cases, water rights retirement and Nevada Division of Water Resources administrative actions and regulations. (Discussion)

14. **BOARD MEMBER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS** – Board members and the Executive Director can make announcements, request information and discuss topics for future agendas. (Discussion)

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

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