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NYE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 11, 2022-10:00 a.m.

**2100 E. Walt Williams Drive
Board of County Commissioner Chambers
Pahrump, Nevada 89048**

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1. CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

3. MISSION STATEMENT OF THE NYE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD – “Protect, Provide and Preserve the water resources of Nye County.”

4. APPROVAL OR ALTERATION OF AGENDA FOR - October 11, 2022. (Non-action item).

5. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES TO PRIOR MEETINGS – Review, correct and/or accept presented Minutes from the August 9, 2022 meeting of the Nye County Water District Governing Board.

6. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT FIRST – Up to three-minute time limit per person on matters not listed on the Agenda. Topics of public comment shall be limited to matters within the authority of the Governing Board. Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period.

7. MEMBERS’/MANAGER'S COMMENTS (This item limited to announcements or topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas).

8. DISCLOSURE OF EX-PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST

9. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion, deliberation and consideration to accept and submit, modify and submit or reject a letter from the Members of the Nye County Water District Governing Board to the Nevada Division of Water Resources and the Nevada State Engineer requesting that Reports of Conveyance for Nevada Water Permits 76691 and 76692 be prioritized and addressed by the State Engineer and the Division of Water Resources as soon as possible.

10. PRESENTATION – Presentation by Coeur Mining, Inc. on the company’s current Water Rights and intended water uses in Nye County.

11. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion, deliberation and consideration to: (1) Support the request from Coeur and recommend that Nye County withdraw its related water applications in Nevada Hydrographic Basin #229. Or, (2) Oppose the request from Coeur and recommend that Nye County retain its related water applications in Nevada Hydrographic Basin #229.

12. PRESENTATION – Presentation by Anglo Gold on future mining operations in Nye County pending the purchase of Coeur Mining Inc.

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13. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion, deliberation and decision to accept the conditions of, and enter into, a Nye County ARPA Recovery Plan and Policy Sub-Entity Grant Agreement with Nye County. The funds have been designated for use in a proposed cloud seeding program for the Spring Mountains east of Pahrump in conjunction with the Nye County Private Well Owners Association. The total amount of the grant funding is \$285,000.

14. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion, deliberation and decision to: (1) Approve the proposed agreement between the Nye County Water District and the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on behalf of the Desert Research Institute, to prepare, maintain and operate a cloud seeding program in the Spring Mountains for the period of 11/01/2022 to 12/31/2027. Or, (2) Reject the proposed agreement between the Nye County Water District and the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on behalf of the Desert Research Institute, to operate a cloud seeding program in the Spring Mountains. The proposed contract amount is \$300,000.

15. **FOR DISCUSSION ONLY** – Discussion, deliberation and consideration to offer further direction to staff to develop and fund a new Salt Cedar eradication program within the confines of Nevada Hydrographic Basin #162.

16. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion, deliberation and consideration to accept and submit, modify and submit or reject a letter from the Members of the Nye County Water District Governing Board to the Nevada Public Utilities Commission requesting that complaints for unusually high connection fees from Great Basin Water Co. be prioritized and addressed as soon as possible.

17. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion, deliberation and consideration to accept and submit, modify and submit or reject a letter from the members of the Nye County Water District Governing Board to the Nevada Division of Water Resources and the Nevada State Engineer to accompany a water waste complaint lodged by a Pahrump resident against a property located at 2221 W. Cordova Pl.

18. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion, deliberation and consideration to (1) Accept and submit, modify and submit or reject a letter from the Nye County Water District Governing Board to the Nye County Planning Department requesting the implementation of a new review process for all proposed large scale Solar Generation facilities located within Nye County. Or, (2) Direct staff to draft and return to the board with a new Nye County Water District Ordinance requiring all Utility-Scale Solar Power projects to comply with requirements imposed by the Nye County Water District Governing Board.

19. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion, deliberation and consideration to direct staff to establish dates and times for Nye County Water District Board Members to participate in Nevada Open Meeting Law training sessions offered and recommended by Nye County staff.

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20. SUPPORTING REPORTS – Organization Member, Staff and County Liaison.

a. Board Reports

I. Las Vegas Valley Water District and Southern Nevada Water Authority

II. Central Nevada Rural Water Authority – Nye County Commissioner Debra Strickland

b. Staff Reports

I. General Manager Daniel Weeks – No Update.

II. John Klenke – No Update.

21. POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion and deliberation to set the date, time and location of the next Water District Governing Board meeting for Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pahrump Commissioners Chambers.

22. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT SECOND – Up to three-minute time limit per person on matters not listed on the Agenda. Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period.

23. BOARD COMMENTS – (This item limited to announcements and to proposed future workshops or agenda items.)

24. ADJOURN

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