

Western Regional Water Commission

STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 12, 2016

TO: Chairman and Members, Western Regional Water Commission ("WRWC")

FROM: Jim Smitherman, Water Resources Program Manager

SUBJECT: Discussion and possible reappointments to the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission ("NNWPC") for a term of three years (April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2019): Mickey Hazelwood, public at large member to represent environmental, biological, conservation or public concerns; and Michael DeMartini, member to represent owners of domestic wells; and possible direction to staff.

SUMMARY

The Western Regional Water Commission Act (the "Act"), Section 36, requires the WRWC to appoint two members to the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission ("NNWPC"): one member to represent domestic well owners, and one public at large member to represent environmental, biological, conservation or public concerns. The positions had initial terms of two years and subsequent terms of three years. Both terms expired on April 1, 2016.

On April 11, 2008, the WRWC appointed Michael DeMartini as the member to represent domestic well owners. In addition, on October 9, 2009, the WRWC appointed Mickey Hazelwood as the public at large member to fill a vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term. Both appointments were renewed by the WRWC in May 2010 and again in September 2013.

Both Mr. DeMartini and Mr. Hazelwood have indicated to staff that they are willing and able to serve another term. Section 36(2) of the Act states that a member may be reappointed.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On September 18, 2013, the WRWC reappointed Michael DeMartini as the member to represent domestic well owners and Mickey Hazelwood as the public at large member to represent environmental, biological, conservation or public concerns.

On May 20, 2010, the WRWC reappointed Michael DeMartini as the member to represent domestic well owners and Mickey Hazelwood as the public at large member to represent environmental, biological, conservation or public concerns.

On October 9, 2009, the WRWC appointed Mickey Hazelwood as the public at large member to represent environmental, biological, conservation or public concerns.

On April 11, 2008, the WRWC appointed Michael DeMartini as the member to represent domestic well owners.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the WRWC reappoint Michael DeMartini as the NNWPC member to represent domestic well owners, and Mickey Hazelwood as the public at large NNWPC member to represent environmental, biological, conservation or public concerns, or provide other direction to staff concerning these appointments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

"Move to reappoint Michael DeMartini to the NNWPC as the member to represent domestic well owners, and reappoint Mickey Hazelwood to the NNWPC as the public at large member to represent environmental, biological, conservation or public concerns, for terms of three years (April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2019).

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