LEGAL COUNSEL POSITION

WESTERN REGIONAL WATER COMMISSION

SCOPE OF WORK

Attorney must be able to work independently to identify and provide a broad range of legal services required by the Western Regional Water Commission (“WRWC”) and its advisory body, the Northern Nevada Water Planning Commission (“NNWPC”), including, but not limited to:

1. Working closely with staff to ensure that all meeting agendas and staff reports comply with Nevada Open Meeting Law and other legal requirements.

2. Providing legal representation at all public meetings of the WRWC, and its subcommittees, and the NNWPC.

3. Drafting legal documents such as interlocal agreements and contracts with planning consultants, other service providers, and independent contractors; confirming that consultants, other service providers, and independent contractors are adequately insured, and in compliance with state and local licensing and workers compensation requirements.
4. Addressing specific Open Meeting Law and other statutory compliance issues.

5. Evaluating the propriety of proposed expenditures from the Regional Water Management Fund.

6. Coordinating and collaborating with legal counsel and staff for the Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency (“TMRPA”) on legal issues involving both land use and water resource planning;

6a. Coordinating and collaborating with legal counsel and staff for Reno, Sparks, Washoe County, and the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (“TMWA”) on legal issues involving water resource planning, and continuing required updates of the Regional Water Management Plan.
7. Assessing potential liability from a risk management perspective, and providing advice on and recommendations for risk reduction measures.

8. Advising/representing the WRWC and the NNWPC on federal, state, and local legislative issues;

8a. Providing services as a registered lobbyist at the Nevada Legislature;

8b. Tracking relevant pending bill draft requests and pending legislation during legislative sessions, and providing continuing updates on those matters to the WRWC and NNWPC.
9. Providing continuing statutory review to assure that both the WRWC and the NNWPC comply, at all times, with all mandates and provisions of the Western Regional Water Commission Act, Chapter 531, Statutes of Nevada 2007, and all other state and local laws and requirements.

10. Developing, preparing, and presenting legal issues that may require appearances before local governing bodies, and state administrative agencies.

11. And, representing the WRWC in civil litigation, as directed by the WRWC Board of Trustees.