

**COLORADO RIVER COMMISSION OF NEVADA
AND
SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING
NOVEMBER 15, 2012
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER 9:04 a.m., SNWA Board Chambers, Southern Nevada Water Authority
100 City Parkway, Seventh Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT Shari Buck ABSENT: None
OF THE SOUTHERN NEVADA Mary Beth Scow
WATER AUTHORITY Sam Bateman
Bob Coffin
Tom Collins
Duncan McCoy
Steve Sisolak

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT George F. Ogilvie III ABSENT: None
OF THE COLORADO RIVER Marybel Batjer
COMMISSION OF NEVADA Bob Coffin
Tom Collins
J. Brin Gibson
Duncan McCoy
Berlyn Miller (Via phone)

SNWA STAFF PRESENT Pat Mulroy, John Entsminger

CRC STAFF PRESENT Jayne Harkins, Jennifer Crandell

Unless otherwise indicated, all members present voted in the affirmative.

CALL TO ORDER AND CONFORMANCE TO THE OPEN MEETING LAW

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

None

Jayne Harkins, Executive Director of the Colorado River Commission and John Entsminger, Senior Deputy General Manager of the Southern Nevada Water Authority, gave a presentation on the agreement's background and provisions. A copy is attached to these minutes.

- 1. Approve and authorize its Executive Director to execute the agreements described herein in materially the same form. (1) *Memorandum of Agreement on the Implementation of Minute No. 319.* The parties to the Agreement include: The United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission; the Bureau of Reclamation; the States of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming; the Upper Colorado River Commission; the Arizona Department of Water Resources; the Central Arizona Water Conservation District; appropriate California entities; the Colorado River Commission of Nevada; and the Southern Nevada Water Authority. (2) *Interim Operating Agreement for Implementation of Minute No. 319.* The parties to the Agreement include: The Bureau of Reclamation; the States of Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming; the Upper Colorado River Commission; the Arizona Department of Water Resources; the Central Arizona Water Conservation District; appropriate California Contractors; the Colorado River Commission of Nevada; and the Southern Nevada Water Authority. (3) *2012 Lower Colorado River Basin Forbearance Agreement for Binational Intentionally Created Surplus.* The parties to the Agreement include: The Arizona Department of Water Resources; appropriate California Contractors; the Colorado River Commission of Nevada; and the Southern Nevada Water Authority. (4) *2012 Contributed Funds Agreement.***

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The parties to the Agreement include: The Bureau of Reclamation; the Central Arizona Water Conservation District; the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; the Colorado River Commission of Nevada; and Southern Nevada Water Authority. This pilot program includes a contribution of funds by the Authority for an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000. (5) *2012 Binational ICS Delivery Agreement*. The parties to this Agreement include: The Bureau of Reclamation; the Colorado River Commission of Nevada; and the Southern Nevada Water Authority.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Colorado River Commissioner Collins to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved by the Colorado River Commission of Nevada.

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SNWA Director Sisolak asked Ms. Mulroy how the SNWA plans to fund the agreement. Ms. Mulroy noted that it would be taken from the New Expansion Debt Service fund, and noted that because the \$2.5 million funding obligation is spread over three years, the amount is not onerous.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by SNWA Vice Chair Scow to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved by Southern Nevada Water Authority the Board of Directors.

Public Comment

Ed Uehling, Las Vegas, noted concerns and questions over the agreement's provisions.

Comments or questions from the members

Members of both the Southern Nevada Water Authority Board of Directors and the Colorado River Commission of Nevada recognized the staff of both agencies for their work to draft and formalize the agreement.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

APPROVED:

Shari Buck, Chair

Patricia Mulroy, General Manager