

Staff Report

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Jennifer Hanson, General Manager

DATE: March 22, 2023

SUBJECT: Plan for Water Policy (Consent)

ADMINISTRATION

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution No. 2023-14 – Establishing District Policy 8300 - Plan for Water.

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Directors has stated a desire to ensure the Plan for Water and the associated modelling are regularly maintained and monitored. To ensure this occurs it has been determined that a Board Policy should be adopted to outline annual reporting and five-year update requirements.

The draft policy was presented to the Board of Directors on February 21, 2023. Minor input was received. One item that was a topic of interest was the Board's desire to have the data that is to be presented annually be shown in metrics that allow for ease of comparison. Language has been added to the policy to reflect this request.

BUDGETARY IMPACT: N/A

Attachments: (2)

- Resolution No. 2023-14
- Plan for Water Policy



RESOLUTION NO. 2023-14
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

**ESTABLISHING ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY
8300 - PLAN FOR WATER**

WHEREAS, the Nevada Irrigation District (the "District") intends to establish and revise, from time to time, administrative policies to guide the operations and management of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has stated a desire to ensure Plan for Water and the associated modelling are regularly maintained and monitored.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District hereby adopts the following policy as attached, and shall be incorporated herein:

#8300 – Plan for Water

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the attached policy shall be incorporated into the District Policy Manual, and the Board Secretary is hereby authorized to assign and revise policy numbers and format and reformat the attached, as needed for an organized, comprehensive policy manual.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District at a regular meeting held on the 22nd day of March 2023 by the following vote:

AYES: Directors:
NOES: Directors:
ABSENT: Directors:
ABSTAINS: Directors:

President of the Board of Directors

Attest:

Secretary to the Board of Directors

Nevada Irrigation District

POLICY MANUAL

POLICY TITLE: Plan for Water

POLICY NUMBER: 8300

8300.1 Purpose and Goal

The Plan for Water (PFW) includes a review of NID's available water supply and the long-term impact on varying water demands. The Plan identifies how future supply and demand scenarios are integrated into the District's water management practices. The Plan is based on water modelling that provides demand and supply projections for a 50-year planning horizon.

8300.2 Plan Responsibilities

It is the intent of the Board of Directors to regularly monitor and maintain the Plan for Water outputs and strategies. This will be accomplished by the following:

8300.2.1 Staff shall provide an annual report to the Board of Directors by the first regular Board meeting of February each year that provides the previous calendar year total amounts of raw water delivered, raw water released, treated water delivered, volumes conserved, number of new treated and raw water connections, total number or raw water miner inches purchased, amount of water diverted, and quantification of total environmental regulatory flows released. Data shall be provided in a format that allows for ease of comparison of the various metrics. The intent of providing this information is to monitor the accuracy of PFW water modeling scenarios.

8300.2.2 Staff shall update the PFW model to incorporate new climate change modelling updates, other climate data, water demand, and water diversion amounts every five years, starting in Calendar year 2029. The results of this effort shall be presented to the Board of Directors in a public meeting.

Adopted: March 22, 2023 via Resolution No. 2023-14