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Southern Nevada Water Authority - A Brief Overview

Background

The Southern Nevada Water Authority was formed by cooperative agreement in 1991, with membership from all the water and wastewater agencies in the Las Vegas Valley. The Authority's main objectives are to secure additional water resources, construct regional water facilities and promote conservation.

Governing Board

The Authority is governed by a seven-member board of directors, with one elected official serving from each member agency.

The following elected officials currently sit on the Board of Directors:

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| • Amanda Cyphers, Chair | City of Henderson |
| • Bryan Nix, Vice Chair | City of Boulder City |
| • Shari Buck | City of North Las Vegas |
| • Mark James | Clark County Water Reclamation District |
| • Oscar Goodman | City of Las Vegas |
| • Rory Reid | Big Bend Water District |
| • Myrna Williams | Las Vegas Valley Water District |

By agreement, the Las Vegas Valley Water District provides staff support to the Authority.

Board Approvals

The following documents must be approved by the governing boards of all member agencies:

- Amendments to the Cooperative Agreement
- Water Management or Conservation Plans
- Cost Sharing Plans

The following documents must be approved by the governing boards of the water agencies:

- Capital Improvement Plans
- Capital Improvement Assessments
- Shortage Sharing Plans

The following documents must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors:

- Acquisition or Disposal of Water Rights and Water Supplies
- Contracts with Water Users
- Water Budget
- Water Resource Plan
- Conservation Plan
- Rates, Charges & Fees
- Budgets and Assessments