

WASHOE COUNTY

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TO: Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve a Cancellation Agreement and associated

Water Rights Deed to terminate a Water Sale Agreement between Washoe County and the Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Pre-apprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund, and re-convey 1.5 acre-feet of water rights from Washoe County to Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Preapprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training

Fund. (Commission District 4.)

SUMMARY

Pursuant to amendments to Washoe County Development Code, Chapter 110, Article 422, adopted on December 12, 2017, Washoe County is terminating a Water Sale Agreement between Washoe County and the Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Pre-apprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund, (Operating Engineers), and re-conveying 1.5 acre-feet of water rights from Washoe County to Operating Engineers.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Stewardship of our community.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On March 12, 2002, a Water Rights deed and a Water Sale Agreement were recorded with the Washoe County Recorder as document numbers 2664077 and 2664078 (for 1.5 acre-feet).

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Article 422 of Washoe County Development Code, the Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Pre-apprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund dedicated 1.5 acre-feet of ground water rights in support of the Operating Engineers Training Facility in the Truckee Canyon area. By means of the Water Sale Agreement, Washoe County made the dedicated water rights available to the Operating Engineers to be used in support of water service associated with the project.

Washoe County amended its code to remove the mandate for the water rights dedication process and allow for re-conveyance of previously dedicated water rights. The documents attached herewith accomplish the termination of the agreement between Washoe County and the Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Preapprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund and transfers title to said water rights to the Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Preapprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Board of County Commissioners approve a Cancellation Agreement and associated Water Rights Deed to terminate a Water Sale Agreement between Washoe County and the Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Preapprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund, and reconvey 1.5 acre-feet of water rights from Washoe County to Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Pre-apprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve a Cancellation Agreement and associated Water Rights Deed to terminate a Water Sale Agreement between Washoe County and the Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Pre-apprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund, and re-convey 1.5 acre-feet of water rights from Washoe County to Operating Engineers and Participating Employers Pre-apprentice, Apprentice, and Journeyman Affirmative Action Training Fund."