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PUBLIC NOTICE

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN

The Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) in Sections NAC 445A.6758 to 445A.67612, inclusive, outlines the environmental review procedures to be followed by the Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Protection Act. In accordance with these procedures, NDEP has determined that the project described below is eligible for Categorical Exclusion and may be exempted from further substantive environmental review requirements.

Project Name: Truckee Meadows Water Authority Arsenic Mitigation Project

Project No.: No. 19 Revision 2, 2004 Priority List

Applicant: Truckee Meadows Water Authority

Estimated Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Assistance: \$9,270,659

The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan project proposed by Truckee Meadows Water Authority involves water system improvement necessary to meet the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act Arsenic Rule requirements. The project includes groundwater conveyance improvement required to mitigate arsenic levels for TMWA's Mill, Corbett, and Greg Street wells. The project includes improvements at the Glendale Water Treatment Plant for treatment and/or blending of the well water. Improvements at the Kietzke Lane well and the Morrill/High St. wells will allow for blending of distribution system water with well water to reduce the arsenic concentration to below the drinking water standard. The improvements include pipeline and pump station upgrades.

All project components are to be constructed in the highly urbanized area and do not require disturbing any land that has not already been disturbed. This project is not expected to have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office has been initiated. Compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act will occur before construction begins.

Documentation to support these conclusions is available for public examination at the office of the Division of Environmental Protection, 333 W. Nye Lane, Room 138, Carson City, Nevada.

Comments for consideration on this proposed decision must be submitted by April 18, 2005 to Adele Basham, Supervisor, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, at the above address. If there are requests for additional information, please call Adele Basham at the (775) 687-9488.