



Public Notice

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN

Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.6758 to 445A.67612, inclusive, outlines the environmental review procedures to be followed by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP). This is considered the State Environmental Review Process that is to be consistent with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. NDEP has completed the required environmental review for the proposed **Orovada General Improvement District (GID) – Redundant Tank and Transmission Line**.

NDEP has determined that the project will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment and is issuing a **Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)**.

Project Name: Orovada GID Phase 1 Tank and Lines

Latitude: 41.56951

Longitude: -117.78507

Population: 118

The community of Orovada, NV0003032, is located approximately 43 miles north of Winnemucca in Humboldt County, Nevada. This project will utilize the Nevada Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) in the amount of **\$1,499,974.44**. This project is listed on the DWSRF Priority List-Effective May 2026 as: **Class III Rehabilitation #54**.

Orovada GID provides services to 63 residential connections. The project will enhance system resilience during emergencies and maintenance by adding reserve capacity and improving service reliability.

NDEP is designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as the lead agency for proposed projects funded by the DWSRF program for the State of Nevada. Orovada GID has applied for funding for the construction of the project, which includes, but is not limited to, the

construction of a **215,000-gallon water storage tank** and installation of the associated appurtenances. This project is to include a new transmission line to connect the new water storage tank to the existing distribution system. The water storage tank will be constructed on land managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

BLM has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) of the proposed project and determined it will have no significant impact on the quality of the human environment, individually or cumulatively, with other actions in the general area under the National Environmental Policy Act. The EA document encompasses analysis on direct, indirect, and cumulative environmental effects on the present resources. Orovada has acquired the necessary right-of-way permit for this project, granted by BLM.

NDEP has reviewed the BLM determination and is in agreement that the proposed project will not have a negative effect on the quality of the human environment. No wetlands, floodplains, agricultural lands, or significant fish or wildlife species or habitats are affected by the project. No national landmarks or property with nationally significant historic, architectural, prehistoric, archaeological, or cultural value will be adversely affected by the project. The project is eligible for a FONSI; therefore, an environmental impact statement is not required.

In accordance with NAC 445A.67584, a **30-day public comment period** is required for this action. Persons wishing to obtain further information regarding the project should submit their comments no later than **June 25, 2026**. Comments can be submitted to Daniel Morgan, Environmental Scientist, Office of Financial Assistance, State Revolving Fund Program, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection. The process of environmental review shall be deemed complete if no comments that the NDEP determines to be significant are received within the time allowed for public comment.

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