

STAFF REPORT

Date: June 5, 2024

To: Mayor and City Council

Through: Doug Thornley, City Manager

Subject: Staff Report (For Possible Action): Approval of the Thirteenth Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) to fund the Truckee Meadows Stormwater Management Program for fiscal year (FY) 2025 in the amount of \$262,500 with 100% reimbursement from WRWC funding for the Stormwater Program. (Sewer Fund)

From: Theresa Jones, Senior Civil Engineer

Department: Utility Services

Summary:

The Western Regional Water Commission (WRWC) approved funding for the Truckee Meadows Stormwater Permit Coordinating Committee (SWPCC) fiscal year (FY) 2025 budget for administering the Truckee Meadows Stormwater Management Program (SWMP) as managed by the City of Reno's Utility Services department. The SWMP outlines management measures pertaining to water quality required by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP). This amendment to the agreement will provide a \$262,500 reimbursement to the City of Reno for administering the Stormwater program in FY25. Staff recommends Council approve the Thirteenth Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) with the WRWC in the amount of \$262,500 to fund the Truckee Meadows SWMP for FY25.

Consent Review	Yes	No
1. Is this item an annual or standard item that comes before Council for regular approval?	X	
2. Is this item an agreement required based on an item previously approved by Council?	X	
3. Is this item included in the current budget approved and adopted by Council?	X	
Other Considerations		
What percent of the total City budget does this item represent?	0.0%	

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

Infrastructure, Climate Change, and Environmental Sustainability

Previous Council Action:

June 14, 2023 - Council approved the Twelfth Amendment to the ILA with the WRWC to fund the Truckee Meadows SWMP for FY24 in the amount of \$262,500. Council has approved the original ILA, and each previous annual amendment to the ILA, in the amount of \$262,500.

Background:

In 1990, NDEP identified the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and Washoe County as an urbanized area subject to federal Clean Water Act Phase 1 stormwater management requirements. NDEP issued a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the Truckee Meadows with Reno, Sparks, and Washoe County as co-permittees. The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Storm (NPDES) permit requires management measures to maintain and improve the quality of stormwater discharges to the Truckee River and its tributaries. To manage the multiple agency permit, the agreement regarding NPDES Water Permit Implementation (Stormwater ILA), was developed and executed among the parties in 1990 and amended in 2004. The ILA established the SWPCC and outlined the intergovernmental responsibilities, including cost-sharing to implement the requirements of the NPDES permit. Two representatives from each permitted agency staff the SWPCC, with Reno serving as the lead agency on the permit. Reno manages and approves the consultant and ILAs.

Discussion:

In accordance with the existing ILA, the SWPCC has the responsibility to prepare an annual work program and budget. On March 20, 2024, the WRWC approved an amount not to exceed \$262,500 for FY25 budget expenditures related to the implementation of the Truckee Meadows SWMP. Accepting this funding from the WRWC will continue the stormwater program.

Financial Implications:

The City has budgeted \$262,500 for administering the stormwater program from the Sewer Fund. With this funding, the City will continue to be fully reimbursed by the WRWC for program-related expenses up to \$262,500.

Legal Implications:

Legal review completed for compliance with City procedures and Nevada law.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends Council approve the Thirteenth Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with the Western Regional Water Commission in the amount of \$262,500 to fund the Truckee

Meadows Stormwater Management Program for fiscal year 2025 and authorize the Mayor to sign.

Proposed Motion:

I move to approve staff recommendation

Attachments:

WRWC Thirteenth ILA FY 25

WRWC Original ILA FY 12