



RESOLUTION NO. 2024-07

OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

DECLARING SURPLUS WATER CONDITIONS FOR 2024

WHEREAS, Nevada Irrigation District (District) provides water for residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, municipal, environmental, recreation, hydroelectric generation, and fire protection and prevention purposes, as well as other beneficial uses of water; and

WHEREAS, according to the District's the Drought Contingency Plan and Board Policy #8200, a water supply analysis must be conducted prior to April 1 to determine available water deliveries and assess surplus availability; and

WHEREAS, the 2022/2023 water year was one of the wettest on record, with an April 1st snowpack that was ranked as the 3rd highest in recorded history, leading to above average run off; and

WHEREAS, careful water management throughout the 2023 irrigation season capitalized on the increased runoff, maintaining a high reservoir carryover storage into 2024; and

WHEREAS, as of February 1st, precipitation amounts at the District's Bowman Lake recording station are at 82% of the average for this date; and

WHEREAS, the February 1, snow survey results indicated a snowpack with a water content of only 55% of average, however, recent storms occurring after the survey have increased the snowpack; and

WHEREAS, the District's current water storage is at 210,900 acre-feet, representing 108% of average for this date, with lower elevation reservoirs nearly full, and high elevation reservoirs forecast to fill and spill once snow runoff begins; and

WHEREAS, the forecasted available water supply for April 1, 2024, is 276,600 acre-feet, exceeding the threshold for the implementation of the Drought Contingency Plan as established in the District's Urban and Agricultural Water Management Plans by 40,900 acre-feet; and

WHEREAS, the current and forecasted available water supply exceeds the needs of current internal customer demands and can be classified as surplus water conditions per California Water Code Section 22259; and


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED by the Board of Directors of the Nevada Irrigation District that a surplus water condition exists for 2024. The Board authorizes local water sales, at the discretion of the General Manager, to traditional surplus water purchasers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, given the District's favorable water supply position and the anticipated ongoing demand for water from neighboring out-of-District municipalities and private water users, the District's General Manager is authorized and delegated responsibility to establish rules and regulations for such surplus water sales. This includes determining eligibility, setting prices, defining terms, establishing limitations on volume and delivery season, and other requirements in the discretion of the General Manager.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Nevada Irrigation District at a meeting duly called and held within the District on the 14th day of February, 2024, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors: Bierwagen, Hull, Caulder, Heck, Johansen
NOES:	Directors: None
ABSENT:	Directors: None
ABSTAINS:	Directors: None



President of the Board of Directors

Attest:


Secretary to the Board of Directors