

## RESOLUTION No. 2017-19

## OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## Modification of Rules and Regulations to Add Treated Water Commercial / Production Agriculture Use Category

WHEREAS, recent changes in water use philosophy of the State of California and its State Water Resources Control Board (collectively "State") have created a need for tracking specific uses of treated water;

WHEREAS, the State has proposed a treated water use allocation that would apply District wide that would limit the amount of treated water the District could deliver to its customers;

WHEREAS, the State's proposal includes potential penalties for excessive residential water use in the event the District exceeded its District wide water use allocation;

WHEREAS, credits for commercial agriculture utilizing treated water were authorized; however, the District presently has no means to account for treated water that is used for commercial agriculture purposes;

WHEREAS, in the event of a severe water shortage, the District may need to reduce the amount of treated water available to District customers and may need to prioritize traditional indoor uses of water for drinking and sanitation above other uses, such as commercial agriculture that utilizes treated water;

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the District to protect the treated water system from backflow hazards arising from the use of chemicals & chemigation, pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers in connection with commercial/production agricultural operations utilizing treated water;

WHEREAS, the District desires to establish a separate customer category for commercial agriculture utilizing treated water so that it may separate such use from traditional residential use and more accurately track treated water use within the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors hereby adopts Revised Section 4 of the Policies entitled Treated Water Service.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 2017 at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors: Weber, Drew, Miller, Morebeck, Wilcox

NOES: ABSENT:

Directors: None Directors: None ABSTAINS: Directors: None

Attest:

Secretary to the Board of Directors