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West Wash Dam Rehabilitation Project

Notice of Public Scoping Meeting

Dear Resident,

You are invited to participate in the planning process for the West Wash Dam Rehabilitation project in Northwest Reno. This notice is for a public scoping meeting on **October 19, 2021 from 6-8pm**. Due to the ongoing challenges and restrictions of COVID-19, this meeting will be held virtually. The meeting will take place via Zoom and can be joined by registering using the following link:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_b2vEBhrTQMingA3ib8BbPw

The purpose of the meeting is to inform the public about the planning effort and to scope issues to be considered during development of the Supplemental Plan and Environmental Document.

Project Description

West Wash Dam, in the Peavine Mountain Watershed of Washoe County, Nevada, is included in a United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA NRCS) funded rehabilitation partnership project. The dam provides protection against flooding to about 30,000 Nevadans who live and work downstream. Additionally, the dam protects downstream city roads, one state highway, and an interstate highway. Among other critical infrastructure, the dam also protects power lines and railroad tracks.

West Wash Dam was constructed in 1960 under the direction and authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act (Public Law 83-566). East Wash Diversion Dam, constructed in 1961 under the same program, contributes storm water flow from Peavine Mountain Watershed into West Wash Dam. The original watershed plans for these dams used an evaluated life of 50 years. Having reached over 50 years in age, the dams are eligible for rehabilitation through the NRCS's Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations Program. The goals of the program include prevention of erosion, floodwater and sediment damage; to further the conservation, use and disposal of water; and to further the conservation and proper use of land in authorized watersheds.

Project Location

The East Wash Diversion Dam is located at the intersection of Keystone Avenue and North McCarran Boulevard at the intersection of Township 20 North, Range 19 East, Sections 33 and 34 with Township 19 North, Range 19 East, Sections 3 and 4. Inflow to the East Wash Dam comes from 2.64 square miles of watershed on the southeast flank of Peavine Mountain. West Wash Detention Dam is located at the intersection of Wyoming and Gulling Streets at the intersection of Township 19 North, Range 19 East, Sections 3 and 4. Inflow to the West Wash Dam comes from approximately 3.56 square miles of watershed, which includes roughly 2.64 square miles of East Wash Dam's watershed.

Your residence is within 1,000 feet of the proposed project area.

For additional project information please go to:

Reno.gov/WestWashDamRehabilitationProject.

The public is welcome to participate in this project to learn about soil and water conservation issues, express views, and to participate throughout the decision-making process related to proposed actions in the West Wash Dam rehabilitation project. Written questions and comments may be submitted by mail or email to City of Reno Project lead, Steve Gamilis. The subject line should include "**West Wash Dam Rehabilitation Project.**"

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Sincerely,



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