

Meeting Date: September 20, 2017
Staff Contact: John M. Stomp, Chief Operating Officer

TITLE: **R-17-19– Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Submit an Application for Funding to the Water Trust Board for the Uptown Water Reuse Project**

ACTION: **Recommend Approval**

SUMMARY:

This resolution authorizes the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (Water Authority) to submit an application for funding from the Water Trust Board (WTB) for the Uptown Water Reuse Project. This project includes the construction of a new on-site wastewater plant which will reduce potable water use by providing reclaimed water for irrigation for the 83 acre Winrock site and for public parks in the surrounding area. The new plant is rated at 60,000 gallons per day but is expandable to meet increased demand in the Uptown and Northeast Heights area. This project provides for a public-private-partnership showcasing cutting edge approach for innovative water conservation techniques and strategies. Winrock's retail and entertainment mix will attract local residents and visitors alike, presenting an excellent opportunity to create awareness of better conservation and utilization of resources.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The estimated cost of the project is \$1.5 million. The Water Authority is requesting \$1.5 million in funding from the Water Trust Fund. It is anticipated that the WTB will provide 60% in grant funds for the \$1.5 million funding requesting. Winrock is providing funding to cover the loan portion of the funding request.

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

BILL NO. R-17-19

1 RESOLUTION

2 AUTHORIZING THE ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY 3 AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO THE WATER TRUST 4 BOARD FOR THE UPTOWN WATER REUSE PROJECT

5 WHEREAS, the redevelopment of the Winrock shopping area will create a high
6 density, mixed-use, urban environment; and

7 WHEREAS, Winrock's retail and entertainment mix will attract local residents and
8 visitors alike, presenting an excellent opportunity to create awareness of better
9 conservation and utilization of resources; and

10 WHEREAS, the construction of a new on-site wastewater plant will reduce potable
11 water use by providing reclaimed water for irrigation for the 83 acre Winrock site and for
12 public parks in the surrounding area; and

13 WHEREAS, the new plant is rated at 60,000 gallons per day but is expandable to
14 meet increased demand in the Uptown and Northeast Heights area; and

15 WHEREAS, this project provides for a public-private-partnership showcasing
16 cutting edge approach for innovative water conservation techniques and strategies.

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WATER AUTHORITY:

18 Section 1. That the Executive Director is authorized to submit an application to
19 the Water Trust Board requesting funds for the Uptown Water Reuse Project.

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