
Meeting Date: October 22, 2025
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TITLE: R-25-39 – Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Submit an Application for Funding to the New Mexico Environment Department Clean Water State Revolving Fund for a Non-Potable Water Reuse Treatment Plant

ACTION: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY:

This Resolution authorizes the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (the “Water Authority”) to submit a funding application of up to \$400 million to the New Mexico Environment Department’s Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) for the development and construction of a Non-Potable Water Reuse Treatment Facility.

The purposed project includes construction of a new Non-Potable Water Reuse Treatment Plant along with supporting infrastructure such as reuse water distribution pipelines and pumping stations. Recycling water for both potable and non-potable uses is the foundational component of the Water Authority’s long-term resource management strategy, Water 2120. This 100-year plan recognizes the need to secure new water sources to support future population growth and address the uncertainties posed by climate change. Water reuse leverages existing resources to help close projected supply gaps, but its implementation will require sustainable investment in new infrastructure.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Water Authority would repay the requested loan amount up to \$400 million at an interest rate of 0.01%. Additional grant subsidy funding is pending.

ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY AUTHORITY

BILL NO. R-25-39

1 **RESOLUTION**

2 **AUTHORIZING THE ALBUQUERQUE BERNALILLO COUNTY WATER UTILITY**
3 **AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO THE NEW MEXICO**
4 **ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND FOR A**
5 **NON-POTABLE WATER REUSE TREATMENT PLANT**

6 WHEREAS, the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority (Water
7 Authority) intends to seek funding from the New Mexico Environment Department
8 (NMED) Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) for the construction of a Non-
9 Potable Water Reuse Treatment Plant; and

10 WHEREAS, water recycling both potable and non-potable uses is a cornerstone
11 of the Water Authority's long-term resource management strategy, Water 2120.; and

12 WHEREAS, the proposed Non-Potable Water Reuse Treatment Plant supports
13 the Water Authority's 100-year vision by enabling the reuse of water for irrigation of
14 parks, schools, and other recreational areas, thereby conserving high-quality drinking
15 water for essential uses; and

16 WHEREAS, the Water Authority anticipates requesting up to \$400 million in
17 funding from NMED CWSRF to support the planning, design, and construction of the
18 Non-Potable Water Reuse Treatment Plant.

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WATER AUTHORITY:

20 Section 1. That the Water Authority is hereby authorized to submit an
21 application to the New Mexico Environment Department Clean Water State Revolving
22 Fund for funding to support the Non-Potable Water Reuse Treatment Plant.

23 Section 2. That the Executive Director is authorized to enter into any
24 agreements necessary to secure and administer the financial assistance.

25 Section 3. That the Executive Director shall coordinate with NMED CWSRF to
26 ensure compliance with all deadlines and requirements for entering into a cooperative
27 agreement.