



Meeting Date: September 25, 2019

Staff Contact: Elizabeth Anderson, P.E., Chief Innovation and Performance Manager

TITLE: R-19-20 - Authorizing the Water Utility Authority to Submit an Application for Funding to the Water Trust Board for Advanced Meter Infrastructure Project Phase 5

ACTION: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY:

This resolution authorizes the Water Authority to submit an application in the amount of \$2,000,000 to the New Mexico Water Trust Board for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Project, which will replace approximately 16,000 existing water meters with AMI meters connected to the Water Authority's existing AMI Network. Installation of modern smart meters saves money, delivers more accurate bills and encourages users to conserve water.

The Water Authority has successfully installed AMI towers, associated AMI infrastructure, and approximately 100,000 AMI meters, which has already replaced approximately 50% of water meters throughout the distribution system.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Water Authority would provide a 60% match, or \$1,200,000, which would come from appropriated capital funds for this project.

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