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**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
STATE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

LCB File No. R102-14

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted

AUTHORITY: §§1-28, NRS 445A.425 and 445A.520.

A REGULATION relating to water quality; revising certain water quality standards for the Humboldt Region; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

The State Environmental Commission is required to establish water quality standards to protect and ensure the continued beneficial use of each stream segment and other body of surface water in this State. (NRS 445A.520) **Section 1** of this regulation revises the descriptions of certain segments of Green Mountain Creek and Toyn Creek. **Sections 2-28** of this regulation revise various water quality standards for the Humboldt Region, including standards relating to nitrates, chlorides, sulfates, alkalinity, turbidity, color and suspended solids.

Section 1. NAC 445A.1432 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1432 The designated beneficial uses for select bodies of water within the Humboldt Region are prescribed in this section:

Water Body Name	Segment Description	Beneficial Uses										Aquatic Life Species of Concern	Water Quality Standard NAC Reference
		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance		

Water Body Name	Segment Description	Beneficial Uses											Aquatic Life Species of Concern	Water Quality Standard NAC Reference		
		LIVESTOCK	IRRIGATION	AQUATIC	CONTACT	NONCONTACT	MUNICIPAL	INDUSTRIAL	WILDLIFE	AESTHETIC	ENTHANCE	WATERSHED				
Humboldt River near Osino	From the upstream source of the main stem to Osino.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Warm-water fishery	NAC 445A.1436
Humboldt River at Palisade	From Osino to the Palisade Gage.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Warm-water fishery	NAC 445A.1438
Humboldt River at Battle Mountain	From the Palisade Gage to the Battle Mountain Gage.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Warm-water fishery	NAC 445A.1442
Humboldt River at State Highway 789	From the Battle Mountain Gage to where State Highway 789 crosses the Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Warm-water fishery	NAC 445A.1444
Humboldt River at Imlay	From the Comus Gage to Imlay.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Warm-water fishery	NAC 445A.1446
Humboldt River at Woolsey	From Imlay to Woolsey.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Warm-water fishery	NAC 445A.1448
Humboldt River at Rodgers Dam	From Woolsey to Rodgers Dam.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						NAC 445A.1452
Humboldt River at the Humboldt Sink	From Rodgers Dam to the Humboldt Sink.	X	X	X	X	X		X	X							NAC 445A.1454
The Humboldt Sink	The entire sink.	X	X	X		X		X	X							NAC 445A.1455

Water Body Name	Segment Description	Beneficial Uses											Aquatic Life Species of Concern	Water Quality Standard NAC Reference		
		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wharfe	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh				
Humboldt River, North Fork and tributaries at the national forest boundary	From their origin in the Independence Mountain Range to the national forest boundary.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1456
Humboldt River, North Fork at Beaver Creek	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with Beaver Creek.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout		NAC 445A.1458
Humboldt River, North Fork at the Humboldt River	From its confluence with Beaver Creek to its confluence with the Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1462
Humboldt River, South Fork and tributaries at Lee	From their origin to Lee, except for the length of the river and the lengths of its tributaries within the exterior borders of the South Fork Indian Reservation.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1464

Water Body Name	Segment Description	Beneficial Uses											Aquatic Life Species of Concern	Water Quality Standard NAC Reference	
		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh			
Humboldt River, South Fork at the Humboldt River	From Lee to its confluence with the Humboldt River, except for the length of the river within the exterior borders of the South Fork Indian Reservation.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout	NAC 445A.1466
Little Humboldt River	The entire length.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						NAC 445A.1468
Little Humboldt River, North Fork at the national forest boundary	From its origin to the national forest boundary.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X						NAC 445A.1472
Little Humboldt River, North Fork at the South Fork of the Little Humboldt River	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with the South Fork of the Little Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						NAC 445A.1474
Little Humboldt River, South Fork at the Elko-Humboldt county line	From its origin to the Elko-Humboldt county line.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X						NAC 445A.1476

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Little Humboldt River, South Fork at the North Fork of the Little Humboldt River	From the Elko-Humboldt county line to its confluence with the North Fork of the Little Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1478
Marys River, upper	From its origin to the point where the river crosses the east line of T. 42 N., R. 59 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1482
Marys River at the Humboldt River	From the east line of T. 42 N., R. 59 E., M.D.B. & M., to its confluence with the Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout		NAC 445A.1484
Tabor Creek	From its origin to the east line of T. 40 N., R. 60 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1486
Maggie Creek Tributaries	From their origin to the point where they become Maggie Creek or the point of their confluence with Maggie Creek.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1488

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		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh				
Maggie Creek at Jack Creek	From where it is formed by the Maggie Creek tributaries to its confluence with Jack Creek.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout	NAC 445A.1492
Maggie Creek at Soap Creek	From its confluence with Jack Creek to its confluence with Soap Creek.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout	NAC 445A.1494
Maggie Creek at the Humboldt River	From its confluence with Soap Creek to its confluence with the Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						NAC 445A.1496
Secret Creek at the national forest boundary	From its origin to the national forest boundary.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						NAC 445A.1498
Secret Creek at the Humboldt River	From the national forest boundary to its confluence with the Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				Trout	NAC 445A.1502	
Lamoille Creek at the gaging station	From its origin to gaging station number 10-316500, located in the NE 1/4 of section 6, T. 32 N., R. 58 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						NAC 445A.1504

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Lamoille Creek at the Humboldt River	From gaging station number 10-316500, located in the NE 1/4 of section 6, T. 32 N., R. 58 E., M.D.B. & M., to its confluence with the Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1506
J.D. Ponds	The entire area.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1508
Denay Creek at Tonkin Reservoir	From its origin to Tonkin Reservoir.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1512
Tonkin Reservoir	The entire reservoir.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1514
Denay Creek below Tonkin Reservoir	Below Tonkin Reservoir.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1516
Rock Creek at Squaw Valley Ranch	From its origin to Squaw Valley Ranch.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1518
Rock Creek below Squaw Valley Ranch	Below Squaw Valley Ranch.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1522
Willow Creek at Willow Creek Reservoir	From its origin to Willow Creek Reservoir.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1524
Willow Creek Reservoir	The entire reservoir.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout		NAC 445A.1526

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		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh				
North Antelope Creek	From its origin to its confluence with Antelope Creek.	X		X	X	X		X	X							NAC 445A.1527
Pole Creek	From its origin to the point of diversion of the Golconda water supply, near the north line of section 13, T. 35 N., R. 39 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1528
Water Canyon Creek	From its origin to the point of diversion of the Winnemucca municipal water supply, near the west line of section 12, T. 35 N., R. 38 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1532
Martin Creek at the national forest boundary	From its origin to the national forest boundary.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1534
Martin Creek below the national forest boundary	From the national forest boundary to the first diversion in T. 42 N., R. 40 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout		NAC 445A.1536
Dutch John Creek	The entire length.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1538

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		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh				
Huntington Creek at the White Pine-Elko county line	From its origin to the White Pine-Elko county line.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1542
Huntington Creek at Smith Creek	From the White Pine-Elko county line to its confluence with Smith Creek.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout		NAC 445A.1544
Huntington Creek at the South Fork of the Humboldt River	From its confluence with Smith Creek to its confluence with the South Fork of the Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1546
Green Mountain Creek at the national forest boundary	From its origin to the national forest boundary <i>its confluence with Toyn Creek.</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1548
Green Mountain Creek <i>Toyn Creek</i> at Corral Creek	From the national forest boundary <i>its confluence with Green Mountain Creek</i> to its confluence with Corral Creek.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout		NAC 445A.1552

Water Body Name	Segment Description	Beneficial Uses											Aquatic Life Species of Concern	Water Quality Standard NAC Reference		
		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Widome	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh				
Toyn Creek at Green Mountain Creek	From its origin to [the national forest boundary] its confluence with Green Mountain Creek.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						NAC 445A.1554
Reese River at Indian Creek	From its origin to its confluence with Indian Creek, except for the length of the river within the exterior borders of the Yomba Indian Reservation.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1556
Reese River at State Route 722	From its confluence with Indian Creek to State Route 722 (old U.S. Highway 50), except for the length of the river within the exterior borders of the Yomba Indian Reservation.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout		NAC 445A.1558
Reese River below State Route 722	North of State Route 722 (old U.S. Highway 50).	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							NAC 445A.1562
San Juan Creek	From its origin to the national forest boundary.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1564

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		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh				
Big Creek at the forest service campground	From its origin to the east boundary of the United States Forest Service's Big Creek Campground.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X							NAC 445A.1566
Big Creek below the forest service campground	From the east boundary of the United States Forest Service's Big Creek Campground to the first diversion dam, near the west line of section 4, T. 17 N., R. 43 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout	NAC 445A.1568	
Mill Creek	From its origin to the first point of diversion, near the south line of section 22, T. 29 N., R. 44 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X						NAC 445A.1572	
Lewis Creek	From its origin to the first point of diversion, near the center of section 23, T. 30 N., R. 45 E., M.D.B. & M.	X	X	X	X	X	X		X						NAC 445A.1574	
Iowa Canyon Reservoir	The entire reservoir.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				Trout	NAC 445A.1576		

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		Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh			
Starr Creek	From the confluence of Ackler and Herder Creeks to its confluence with the Humboldt River.	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					Trout	NAC 445A.1578
Irrigation	Irrigation														
Livestock	Watering of livestock														
Contact	Recreation involving contact with the water														
Noncontact	Recreation not involving contact with the water														
Industrial	Industrial supply														
Municipal	Municipal or domestic supply, or both														
Wildlife	Propagation of wildlife														
Aquatic	Propagation of aquatic life														
Aesthetic	Waters of extraordinary ecological or aesthetic value														
Enhance	Enhancement of water quality														
Marsh	Maintenance of a freshwater marsh														

Sec. 2. NAC 445A.1456 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1456 The limits of this table apply to the bodies of water known as the North Fork of the Humboldt River and its tributaries in the Independence Mountain Range from their origin to the national forest boundary. This segment of the North Fork of the Humboldt River and tributaries is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Humboldt River, North Fork and tributaries at the national forest boundary

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a														
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh				
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern																	
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X											
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0															
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*							
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X							
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X									
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X							
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X							
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X									
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*												
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*												
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75						*									

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X						*					
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. ≤ 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*				X		X				
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250							*						
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*						X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X							
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 3. NAC 445A.1458 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1458 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as the North Fork of the Humboldt River from the national forest boundary to its confluence with Beaver Creek. This segment of the North Fork of the Humboldt River is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Humboldt River, North Fork at Beaver Creek

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.												
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X							
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*										

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

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Sec. 4. NAC 445A.1462 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1462 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as the North Fork of the Humboldt River from its confluence with Beaver Creek to its confluence with the Humboldt River. This segment of the North Fork of the Humboldt River is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Humboldt River, North Fork at the Humboldt River

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Recreation	Marsh	
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Aquatic Life Species of Concern														
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 24												
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0			*	X								
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*				
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 5.0	X		*	X	X	X		X				
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X						
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X				
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 1.0	X		*			X		X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		^c			*			X						
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 80			*									

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			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 50</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>						*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*						
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>						*						
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

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Sec. 5. NAC 445A.1464 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1464 The limits of this table apply to the bodies of water known as the South Fork of the Humboldt River and its tributaries from their origin to Lee, except for the length of the river and the lengths of its tributaries within the exterior borders of the South Fork Indian Reservation. This segment of the South Fork of the Humboldt River and tributaries is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Humboldt River, South Fork and tributaries at Lee

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a													
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh			
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*											
Turbidity – NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*											
Color – PCU		S.V. ≤ 75							*							
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*							
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. ≤ 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*			X		X						
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250							*							
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*					X						
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X								
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X					

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 6. NAC 445A.1466 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1466 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as the South Fork of the Humboldt River from Lee to its confluence with the Humboldt River, except for the length of the river within the exterior borders of the South Fork Indian Reservation. This segment of the South Fork of the Humboldt River is located in Elko County.

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Humboldt River, South Fork at the Humboldt River

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.											
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X								
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0												
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*				
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X				
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X						
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X				
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X				

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*				X					
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*									
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*									
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75						*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*						
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. ≤ 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*			X		X				
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250						*						
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X			

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 7. NAC 445A.1482 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1482 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Marys River from its origin to the point where the River crosses the east line of T. 42 N., R. 59 E., M.D.B. & M.

This segment of Marys River is located in Elko County.

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Marys River, upper

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Aquatic Life Species of Concern														
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X								
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0												
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*				
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X				
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X						
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X				

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*				X	X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X						
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*									
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*									
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75						*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*						
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. ≤ 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*			X		X				
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250						*						
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

- ^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.
- ^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.
- ^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.
- ^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 8. NAC 445A.1484 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1484 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Marys River from the east line of T. 42 N., R. 59 E., M.D.B. & M., to its confluence with the Humboldt River. This segment of Marys River is located in Elko County.

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Marys River at the Humboldt River

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.											
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X								
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0												
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*				
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X				
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X						

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Recreation	Marsh		
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X				
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X						
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*									
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*									
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75						*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*						
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. ≤ 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*			X		X				
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250						*						
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. < 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

- ^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.
- ^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.
- ^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.
- ^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 9. NAC 445A.1486 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1486 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Tabor Creek from its origin to the east line of T. 40 N., R. 60 E., M.D.B. & M. Tabor Creek is located in Elko County.

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Tabor Creek

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a													
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh			
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X								
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X						
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X						
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X								
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*											
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*											
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75						*								
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*								
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. ≤ 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*			X		X						
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250						*								
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*					X						
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X								
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X					

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 10. NAC 445A.1488 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1488 The limits of this table apply to the bodies of water known as the Maggie Creek Tributaries from their origin to the point where they become Maggie Creek or the point of their confluence with Maggie Creek. The Maggie Creek Tributaries are located in Elko County.

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Maggie Creek Tributaries

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20													
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0			*	X									
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X				
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X						
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X				
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X						
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*									
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*									
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75						*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*						
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. $\leq 860^d$ 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*			X		X				
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250						*						
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X			

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

- ^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.
- ^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.
- ^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.
- ^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 11. NAC 445A.1492 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1492 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Maggie Creek from where it is formed by the Maggie Creek Tributaries to its confluence with Jack Creek. This segment of Maggie Creek is located in Elko and Eureka Counties.

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Maggie Creek at Jack Creek

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a														
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh				
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.														
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X											
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0															
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*							
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X							
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X									
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X							
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X							
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X									
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*												
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*												
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75							*								
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*								
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. ≤ 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*			X		X							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250						*						
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410				*	X							
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*			X	X		X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

- ^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.
- ^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.
- ^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.
- ^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 12. NAC 445A.1494 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1494 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Maggie Creek from its confluence with Jack Creek to its confluence with Soap Creek. This segment of Maggie Creek is located in Eureka County.

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Maggie Creek at Soap Creek

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.												
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20													
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT ≤ 3			*	X									
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.33			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X							
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*										
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*										
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75						*							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. \leq 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*							
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. \leq 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. \leq 230	X		*			X		X					
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. \leq 250						*							
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. \geq 20			*					X					
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. \leq 126 S.V. \leq 410				*	X								
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. \leq 1,000	X	*			X	X		X					

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 13. NAC 445A.1496 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1496 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Maggie Creek from its confluence with Soap Creek to its confluence with the Humboldt River. This segment of Maggie Creek is located in Elko and Eureka Counties.

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Maggie Creek at the Humboldt River

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a													
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh			
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Aquatic Life Species of Concern																
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 34			*	X										
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT ≤ 3														
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*						
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 5.0	X		*	X	X	X		X						
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.33			*	*	X	X								
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X						
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 1.0	X		*			X		X						
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X								
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 80			*											

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 50</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X			

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 14. NAC 445A.1498 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1498 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Secret Creek from its origin to the national forest boundary. This segment of Secret Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Secret Creek at the national forest boundary

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X							
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*										

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 15. NAC 445A.1502 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1502 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Secret Creek from the national forest boundary to its confluence with the Humboldt River. This segment of Secret Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Secret Creek at the Humboldt River

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.												
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X							
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*										

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*										
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*						
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X					
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*						
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X					
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410				*	X								
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*			X	X		X					

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d *One-hour and 96-hour concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 16. NAC 445A.1504 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1504 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Lamoille Creek from its origin to gaging station number 10-316500, located in the NE 1/4 of section 6, T. 32 N., R. 58 E., M.D.B. & M. This segment of Lamoille Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Lamoille Creek at the gaging station

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X							
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*										

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*										
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*						
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X					
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*						
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X					
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X							
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		<i>S.V. ≤ 1,000</i>	X	*				X	X	X					

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 17. NAC 445A.1506 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1506 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Lamoille Creek from gaging station number 10-316500, located in the NE 1/4 of section 6, T. 32 N., R. 58 E., M.D.B. & M., to its confluence with the Humboldt River. This segment of Lamoille Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Lamoille Creek at the Humboldt River

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 24			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 5.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 1.0	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 80</i>			*										
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 50</i>			*										
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*						
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X					
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*						
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X					
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X							
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 18. NAC 445A.1508 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1508 The limits of this table apply to the entire body of water known as J.D. Ponds.

J.D. Ponds is located in Eureka County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

J.D. Ponds

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^e												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 34			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT ≤ 3													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 5.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.33			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 1.0	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 80</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 50</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^b</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X			

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 19. NAC 445A.1512 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1512 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Denay Creek from its origin to Tonkin Reservoir. This segment of Denay Creek is located in Eureka County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Denay Creek at Tonkin Reservoir

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Aquatic Life Species of Concern														
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X								
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0												
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*				
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X				
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X						
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X				
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X						

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 25</i>			*										
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*										
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*						
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X					
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*						
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X					
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X							
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 20. NAC 445A.1514 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1514 The limits of this table apply to the entire body of water known as Tonkin

Reservoir. Tonkin Reservoir is located in Eureka County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Tonkin Reservoir

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.025			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 25</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X			

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 21. NAC 445A.1516 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1516 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Denay Creek below Tonkin Reservoir. This segment of Denay Creek is located in Eureka County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Denay Creek below Tonkin Reservoir

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 24			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 5.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 1.0	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		^c			*			X							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 80</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 50</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*				X		X			
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*						X			
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X			

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 22. NAC 445A.1542 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1542 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Huntington Creek from its origin to the White Pine-Elko county line. This segment of Huntington Creek is located in White Pine County.

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Huntington Creek at the White Pine-Elko county line

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*			X							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 25</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>						*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*						
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>						*						
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 23. NAC 445A.1544 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1544 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Huntington Creek from the White Pine-Elko county line to its confluence with Smith Creek. This segment of Huntington Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Huntington Creek at Smith Creek

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.												
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X							

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 25</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>						*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*						
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>						*						
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410				*	X							
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*			X	X		X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 24. NAC 445A.1546 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1546 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Huntington Creek from its confluence with Smith Creek to its confluence with the South Fork of the Humboldt River. This segment of Huntington Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Huntington Creek at the South Fork of the Humboldt River

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern														
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 24			*	X								
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0												
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*				
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 5.0	X		*	X	X	X		X				
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X						
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X				
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 1.0	X		*			X		X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X						

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 80</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 50</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410				*	X							
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X			

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 25. NAC 445A.1548 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1548 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Green Mountain Creek from its origin to ~~the national forest boundary. This segment of~~ *its confluence with Toyn Creek*. Green Mountain Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Green Mountain Creek at ~~the national forest boundary~~ *Toyn Creek*

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern														
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X								
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0												
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*				
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X				
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X						
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X				
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X						

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 25</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*			X		X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410				*	X							
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X		X			

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.

^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.

^d One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.

Sec. 26. NAC 445A.1552 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1552 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as ~~{Green Mountain}~~ *Toyn* Creek from ~~{the national forest boundary}~~ *its confluence with Green Mountain Creek* to its confluence with Corral Creek. This segment of ~~{Green Mountain}~~ *Toyn* Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

~~{Green Mountain}~~ *Toyn* Creek at Corral Creek

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.												
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					
Nitrite (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.06	X		*			X		X					

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l		c			*			X						
Total Suspended Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 25			*									
Turbidity - NTU		S.V. ≤ 10			*									
Color - PCU		S.V. ≤ 75						*						
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X				*						
Chloride - mg/l		1-hr Avg. ≤ 860 ^d 96-hr Avg. ≤ 230	X		*			X		X				
Sulfate - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 250						*						
Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃) - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 20			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.

- ^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.
- ^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.
- ^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 27. NAC 445A.1554 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1554 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Toyn Creek from its origin to ~~[the national forest boundary-]~~ *its confluence with Green Mountain Creek. This segment of Toyn Creek is located in Elko County.*

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Toyn Creek at Green Mountain Creek

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern															
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Nitrite (as N) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 0.06</i>	X		*				X	X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*				X					
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 25</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*				X	X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

- ^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.
- ^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.
- ^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.
- ^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*

Sec. 28. NAC 445A.1578 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445A.1578 The limits of this table apply to the body of water known as Starr Creek from the confluence of Ackler and Herder Creeks to the Humboldt River. Starr Creek is located in Elko County.

STANDARDS OF WATER QUALITY

Starr Creek

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ^a												
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh		
Beneficial Uses			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Aquatic Life Species of Concern			Trout.												
Temperature - °C		S.V. ≤ 20			*	X									
ΔT ^b - °C		ΔT = 0													
pH - SU		S.V. 6.5 - 9.0	X	X	*	*		X	X	*					
Dissolved Oxygen - mg/l		S.V. ≥ 6.0	X		*	X	X	X		X					
Total Phosphorus (as P) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 0.10			*	*	X	X							
Nitrate (as N) - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 10	X		X			*		X					

PARAMETER	REQUIREMENTS TO MAINTAIN EXISTING HIGHER QUALITY	WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR BENEFICIAL USES	Beneficial Use ⁴											
			Livestock	Irrigation	Aquatic	Contact	Noncontact	Municipal	Industrial	Wildlife	Aesthetic	Enhance	Marsh	
<i>Nitrite (as N) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 0.06</i>	X		*				X	X				
Total Ammonia (as N) - mg/l					*				X					
<i>Total Suspended Solids - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 25</i>			*									
<i>Turbidity - NTU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 10</i>			*									
<i>Color - PCU</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 75</i>							*					
Total Dissolved Solids - mg/l		S.V. ≤ 500 or the 95th percentile (whichever is less).	X	X					*					
<i>Chloride - mg/l</i>		<i>1-hr Avg. ≤ 860^d</i> <i>96-hr Avg. ≤ 230</i>	X		*				X	X				
<i>Sulfate - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≤ 250</i>							*					
<i>Alkalinity (as CaCO₃) - mg/l</i>		<i>S.V. ≥ 20</i>			*					X				
E. coli - No./100 ml		A.G.M. ≤ 126 S.V. ≤ 410					*	X						
Fecal Coliform - No./100 ml		S.V. ≤ 1,000	X	*				X	X	X				

* = The most restrictive beneficial use.

X = Beneficial use.

- ^a Refer to NAC 445A.122 and 445A.1432 for beneficial use terminology.
- ^b Maximum allowable increase in temperature above water temperature at the boundary of an approved mixing zone, but the increase must not cause a violation of the single value standard.
- ^c The ambient water quality criteria for ammonia are specified in NAC 445A.118.
- ^d *One-hour and 96-hour average concentration limits may be exceeded only once every 3 years.*