NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO SERVICE RULES ON ORNAMENTAL WATER FEATURES FOR LAS VEGAS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT CUSTOMERS

As poor hydrology and climate change continue to plague the Colorado River Basin, additional and increased water conservation efforts are required to help protect critical water levels at Lake Mead, the Southern Nevada region's primary water resource. The Las Vegas Valley Water District (LVVWD) is therefore proposing changes to its Service Rules on Ornamental Water Features to further increase water conservation.

ORNAMENTAL WATER FEATURES

Currently, the LVVWD Service Rules prohibit water service to new fountains and other new Ornamental Water Features with several exceptions, including fountains. However, they are still permitted at Resort Hotels, if the property satisfies certain abatement requirements.

Due to the severity of the ongoing drought affecting Lake Mead's water levels, the LVVWD is proposing removing the Resort-Hotel abatement exception and prohibiting service to all new fountains and Ornamental Water Features, except under the following conditions:

1. The water feature is located entirely indoors, or
2. The water feature is supplied exclusively by privately-owned water rights, or
3. The water feature is less than 10 square feet and is located at a single-family residence.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

September 6, 2022	LVVWD Board Considers Business Impact Statement
October 4, 2022	LVVWD Board holds a Public Hearing on Proposed Rule Change

PURPOSE

This notice is being provided to publicly notify potentially affected businesses of the proposed rule change in order to conform to the requirements of NRS 237.030 – 237.150, "Adoption of Rules Affecting Businesses." With this in mind, there are two questions for potentially affected businesses to consider:

1. Will these rules impose a direct and significant economic burden upon your business? If you believe these changes will, please be specific as to why a particular change imposes such a burden.

2. Will these rules directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of your business? If you believe these changes will, please be specific as to how and why a particular change imposes such a burden.

Please review and evaluate how these changes will affect your business in light of the two questions listed. If you believe your business will be affected by the proposed changes, you are invited to respond to this notice with data or arguments. You must provide your response to the Las Vegas Valley Water District no later than 6:00 p.m., August 24, 2022. See contact information below. If approved, the rule will be effective upon approval.

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