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WATER DISTRICT**

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PLANNING & ENGINEERING SERVICES NOTICE

To: Clark County Public Works
City of Las Vegas Public Works
Consulting Engineers
Developers
Southern Nevada Homebuilders Association

From: Nass Diallo
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Date: September 29, 2021

Re: LVVWD Service Rules Refusal of Service Stipulation

With a decades-long drought and a shortage declared on the Colorado River, the efficient use of Southern Nevada's water resources is critical. For this reason, the Las Vegas Valley Water District (District) wanted to make you aware of a change to the District's Service Rules regarding water service, that became effective January 1, 2021.

Section 4.5 of the District's Service Rules (Refusal of Service) states that the District may refuse service to a property that utilizes a septic system. As a result, any project submittals that include District water service, but also septic systems, will be placed on hold until the applicant or wastewater entity can validate that the project's wastewater will be returned to a municipal wastewater system. **If the applicant chooses not to connect to a municipal wastewater system, the project will not be approved for water service from the District.**

As you may know, Southern Nevada relies on community-wide water reuse that captures and reclaims all indoor water use through municipal wastewater systems, allowing the wastewater to be treated to clean water standards and safely returned to Lake Mead. This sustainable water reuse process extends our community's limited water supply. Because septic systems are not connected to a municipal wastewater system, they do not extend existing water supplies and create an unnecessary strain on Southern Nevada's limited water resources. With unprecedented drought impacts to Lake Mead, the LVVWD must take measures to ensure the most efficient use of our water resources.

Should you have any questions on the information above, please contact me at 702-259-8173 or via email at nass.diallo@lvvwd.com.