

Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council

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RESOLUTION NO.: PL 102-22
2022 WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN

RESOLUTION OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL OF THE PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE NIXON, NEVADA

- Whereas,** the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, is organized pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act (25 U.S.C. § 476), and is Federally recognized by the United States Government through the Secretary of the Interior to negotiate with the U.S. Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and
- Whereas,** the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council is the duly-elected governing body of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, responsible for enacting laws and regulations, and the planning and implementation of policy that directly affects the environment, specifically Water Quality, within the exterior boundaries of the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation (PLIR); and,
- Whereas,** the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe is authorized to promulgate and enforce regulations governing the conduct of members and on-members within the PLIR; and,
- Whereas,** Water Quality Standards (WQS) will provide protection for the physical, chemical, and biological integrity of water bodies within the PLIR, and will provide the ability to regulate habitat protection for plant and wildlife species dependent upon the Truckee River and Pyramid Lake water resources; and,
- Whereas,** the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA)-Region IX approved the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe's application for treatment in the same manner as a state on January 30, 2007 to administer the WQS and Certification programs under Sections 303 and 401 of the Clean Water Act, giving Program Authority to develop WQS; and,
- Whereas,** the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council approved the 2008 Water Quality Control Plan (WQCP) for formal submission to the US EPA-Region IX for final approval on September 19, 2008 with Pyramid Lake Resolution PL 66-08, and achieved US EPA approval on December 19, 2008; and,
- Whereas,** the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council approved the 2015 WQCP for formal submission to the US EPA-Region IX for final approval on September 16, 2015 with Pyramid Lake Resolution PL 79-15, and achieved US EPA approval on December 23, 2015; and,
- Whereas,** the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe initiated the Triennial Review Process of the PLPT WQCP in Fiscal Year 2022 by conducting multi-year data analysis, and received funds from the US EPA to conduct Triennial Review activities; and,

Whereas, the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe held public workshops regarding the Triennial Review process of the PLPT WQCP and the proposed changes to the PLPT WQCP; and, gave presentations to various stakeholder classes regarding the Triennial Review of the PLPT WQCP and proposed changes to the PLPT WQCP; and,

Whereas, the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe held a public hearing on August 2, 2022 on the Zoom online platform to accept verbal comments regarding the proposed changes to the PLPT WQCP, and subsequently responded to all concerns, verbal and written, raised by persons or agencies regarding the proposed changes to the PLPT WQCP; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council hereby approves and adopts the 2022 Water Quality Control Plan attached to and incorporated in this resolution; and,

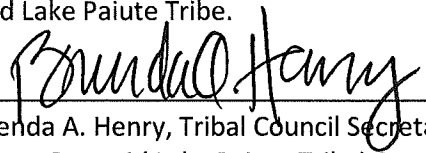
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tribal Chairperson or designee is hereby authorized to implement the intent of this Resolution; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any changes to the foregoing Water Quality Control Plan shall be through the same resolution process; and,

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council directs the formal submission of the 2022 Water Quality Control Plan to the US EPA-Region IX for approval.

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certified that the foregoing resolution of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council, governing body of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, composed of ten members, of whom **nine (9)** constituting a quorum were present at a meeting held on the **7th** day of **September**, 2022 was adopted by the affirmative vote of **eight (8)** FOR and **zero (0)** AGAINST, with **zero (0)** ABSENTIONS; pursuant to the authority contained in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.


Brenda A. Henry, Tribal Council Secretary
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council