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Assembly Natural Resources

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Name

Here to speak to support AB 90

Bill proposes to raise limit of stream systems that irrigate more than 200,000 acres from 25¢/AF to 30¢/AF

Reason expense has been increasing and reserves getting small which is needed for any unexpected circumstance that many require a substantial expenditure (major diversion structure) Hiring of other commissioner on a short year

Presently assessment @ 24¢/AF which generates \$1,600,000 and each 1¢/AF increase assessment \$6,600. Budget for system is made in Oct and sent to county commission ^{in Dec} for inclusion on next fiscal year tax bill. The final agency does not come until Apr-Jun tax bill next year some 18 months later. If not requested now it would be 2005 session and any increase beyond 25¢/AF could not be realized until Jul 2006 some a irrigation season later.

Some impact to local & state governments

See sheet

PCWC Board on June 5 vote not to oppose

HRBWH on July 12 vote unanimously to support

Uncollected \$2778 of out 1,983,280
0.11%

The following State Agencies will be affected by an increase of up to 5 cents per acre-foot (not to exceed 30 cents per acre-foot) more than what the assessment is today:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Acre-feet Currently Assessed</u>	<u>Current Assessment at \$0.24/acre-foot</u>	<u>Assessment for each Additional \$0.01/acre-foot</u>	<u>Assessment at Cap of \$0.30/acre-foot</u>
Division of State Parks	4,877.80	\$1170.67	\$48.78	\$1463.34
Department of Transportation	23.31	\$5.59	\$0.23	\$6.99
Division of State Lands	163.60	\$39.19	\$1.64	\$49.08

The following County and/or City Agencies will be affected by an increase of up to 5 cents per acre-foot (not to exceed 30 cents per acre-foot) more than what the assessment is today:

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City of Carlin	35.19	\$8.45	\$0.35	\$10.56
City of Elko	1,000.46	\$240.11	\$10.00	\$300.14
Lander County Commissioners	3,000.00	\$720.00	\$30.00	\$900.00
Pershing County Board of Education	150.58	\$36.14	\$1.50	\$45.17