RESOLUTION 03-1
of the
COLORADO RIVER COMMISSION OF NEVADA

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE LAND MANAGEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE COLORADO RIVER COMMISSION OF NEVADA AND PROVIDING FOR ITS MEMBERSHIP, POWERS AND DUTIES

WHEREAS, in 1959 the Nevada Legislature enacted the Fort Mohave Valley Development Law (NRS 321.480 to 321.536, inclusive) authorizing the Colorado River Commission of Nevada ("Commission") to acquire and develop 15,000 acres of federal land in the Fort Mohave Valley near Laughlin, Nevada, and in 1960, Congress enacted the Fort Mohave Act (74 Stat. 74), which provided for the transfer of that land (the "Transfer Area") to the Commission in conjunction with a master development plan approved by the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to those laws, the Commission acquired the entire Transfer Area and disposed of, and provided for residential, resort, commercial, industrial and recreational development on, all but approximately 9,110 acres of the original Transfer Area; and

WHEREAS, Much of that development coincided with and contributed to an economic boom in the Fort Mohave Valley, particularly the Town of Laughlin, during the decade of the 1980s, but since then the area has experienced considerably slower economic growth believed to be caused by many factors, including the relative shortage of developable land; and

WHEREAS, As a major landowner in the Fort Mohave Valley, the Commission's policies and activities in the management of its land there could have substantial impacts on the economic well-being of the area; and

WHEREAS, Recent interest in the Commission's lands has suggested the need for a thorough review of the current laws, policies and procedures pertaining to the management of those lands; for more detailed information concerning the conditions that affect economic development in the Laughlin area; and for increased personal contacts between the commissioners and the members of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board and other persons and agencies interested in the Fort Mohave Valley; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED BY THE COLORADO RIVER COMMISSION OF NEVADA, That:

1. There is hereby established a Land Management Subcommittee of the Colorado River Commission of Nevada ("Commission"), consisting of three members of the Commission.

2. The Chairman of the Commission ("Chairman") shall appoint the three members of the subcommittee, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Chairman. The Chairman shall designate a chairman and vice chairman of the subcommittee from among the appointees. The Chairman may appoint any of the other members of the Commission as alternates to serve in the absence of a member of the subcommittee. Vacancies on the subcommittee must be filled by the Chairman.

3. The members of the subcommittee shall meet throughout the year at the times and places specified by a call of the chairman of the subcommittee or a majority of the subcommittee.

4. The subcommittee shall:

4.1 Review and comment on all federal and state statutes, regulations, policies and procedures pertaining to the management of the lands of the Commission.

4.2 Conduct investigations and hold hearings in connection with its review, including, but not limited to, investigating:

4.2.1 the effect on the state, its citizens, Clark County, the Town of Laughlin, and on businesses and industries of those laws, policies and procedures.

4.2.2 appropriate dispositions and plans for development of the Commission's lands.

4.3 Consult with the Laughlin Town Manager and her staff and the Laughlin Town Advisory Board, and with appropriate federal, state and other local governmental entities concerning policies and activities affecting the Fort Mohave Valley.

4.4 Direct the Commission staff to assist in its research, investigations, review and comment.

4.5 Report to the Commission periodically the results of its review, including, without limitation, recommendations for appropriate corrective legislation or administrative rulemaking.

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman be authorized to sign this resolution on behalf of the Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be affixed to the minutes of the Colorado River Commission of November 17, 2003, and be transmitted by the Executive Director to the Chairman of the Laughlin Town Advisory Board through the Laughlin Town Manager.

Adopted and passed at a regular meeting of the Colorado River Commission of Nevada on November 17, 2003.

Richard W. Bunker, Chairman