



**MEMO TO:** Planning and Public Works Committee of the Whole

**FROM:** Gary Schimek, Public Works Interim Assistant Director

**DATE:** August 13, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Cascade Water Alliance 2019 Annual Chief Executive Officer Report

**I. PURPOSE** ☐ For Info Only ☐ Potential Agenda Item ☒ Scheduled for Council Action

**II. RECOMMENDATION**

Cascade Water Alliance Chief Executive Officer (Chuck Clarke) to provide the Annual CEO Report to City Council at a Study Session on September 10, 2019.

**III. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS**

Dave Juarez, Public Works Director, 425-556-2310

Gary Schimek, P.E., Interim Public Works Assistant Director, 425-556-2742

**IV. DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND**

The City of Redmond - along with the Cities of Bellevue, Issaquah, and Tukwila, Sammamish Plateau Water, and Skyway Water & Sewer District - joined together in 1999 to form Cascade Water Alliance (CWA). CWA is a municipal corporation and provides safe, clean, reliable water supply to its 380,000 residences and more than 20,000 businesses. CWA's mission is to provide water supply to meet current and future needs of our members in a cost-effective and environmentally responsible manner through partnerships, water efficiency programs, acquiring, constructing and managing water supply infrastructure and fostering regional water planning.

The five cities and two water and sewer districts work to address current and future needs using the water supply efficiently through conservation programs. Membership is open to any public water utility within the region.

Councilmember Angela Birney serves the City's elected representative on the Cascade Board of Directors and Councilmember Jeralee Anderson serves as the delegate. Public Works Interim Assistant Director, Gary Schimek, serves as the City's staff representative and attends the monthly Board and Sub-Committee meetings.

The CEO briefing will include a review of priority issues since the last CEO report in 2018 and a look ahead into the next and coming years.

**A. Analysis**

Process to Date

The CWA CEO provides an annual report to the City of Redmond Council

Service Delivery or Fiscal Impacts

There is no Council action required as part of this presentation and therefore will not have service delivery or fiscal impacts.

**V. TIME CONSTRAINTS**

City Council review on this topic, is scheduled as follows:

- September 10, 2019 Council Study Session

**VI. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

*I. None*