



# **Washoe County Regional Communications System Fund Review**

**800MHz Joint Operating Committee Meeting**

**May 7, 2026**

## Washoe County Regional Communications System Fund

- The Regional Communication System (RCS) Fund is a **Special Revenue Fund**.
- The RCS Operations budget and revenue is based on cost of operating and maintaining the radio system.
- RCS Infrastructure revenue has previously been set based on a percentage of the Operations budget, e.g. 10%.
- When expenses are less than revenue, the remaining funds accrue, increasing the overall fund balance over time.

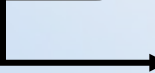
▾	📁	210-0 Regional Communication System
▾	📁	210-1 RCS Operations
	•	📄 C210010 RCS Operations
	•	📄 C210040 NSRS (P25) Debt Billing
	•	📄 C210045 NSRS (P25) Debt Reserve 10 Percent
▾	📁	210-3 RCS Infrastructure
	•	📄 C210300 RCS Infrastructure
	•	📄 C210330 NSRS (P25) Infrastructure

# Regional Communications System Infrastructure (210-3)

## Regional Communication System (210-3) 5-Year Forecast

210-3	Actuals	FY26 Budget	Estimated	Projected				
No Personnel	FY25	2026 Plan	2026 ETC	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30	FY31
<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>	<b>494,965.91</b>	<b>1,092,792.82</b>	<b>1,092,792.82</b>	<b>616,782.08</b>	<b>552,241.03</b>	<b>699,157.93</b>	<b>789,981.56</b>	<b>890,031.37</b>
433300 Local Govt-Oper Cost	368,148	217,689	217,689	229,159	240,617	184,524	193,750	203,437
433320 Local Govt-Cap Cost	62,536	3,470,381	3,470,381	4,478,616	-	-	-	-
<b>* Intergovernmental</b>	<b>430,685</b>	<b>3,688,070</b>	<b>3,688,070</b>	<b>4,707,775</b>	<b>240,617</b>	<b>184,524</b>	<b>193,750</b>	<b>203,437</b>
481000 Interest-Pooled Inv.	91,777	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
482100 RGL Pooled Invest.	11,659	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
482200 URGL Pooled Inv.	65,057	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>* Miscellaneous</b>	<b>168,492</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>7,000</b>
<b>** Revenue</b>	<b>599,177</b>	<b>3,695,070</b>	<b>3,695,070</b>	<b>4,714,775</b>	<b>247,617</b>	<b>191,524</b>	<b>200,750</b>	<b>210,437</b>
<b>PERSONNEL</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
710149 Invest Pool Alloc Ex	1,350	700	700	700	700	700	700	700
710310 Parts and Supplies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
710507 Network and Data Lines	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
711504 Equipment nonCapital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>* Services and Supplies</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>
781004 Equipment Capital	-	-	-	-	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
<b>* Capital Outlay</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>
<b>** Expenses</b>	<b>1,350</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>100,700</b>	<b>100,700</b>	<b>100,700</b>	<b>100,700</b>
814092 TF to Public Works	-	4,170,381	4,170,381	4,778,616	-	-	-	-
818000 Transfer to Intrafund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>** Other Financing Src/Use</b>	-	<b>4,170,381</b>	<b>4,170,381</b>	<b>4,778,616</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>*** Total</b>	<b>597,827</b>	<b>(476,011)</b>	<b>(476,011)</b>	<b>(64,541)</b>	<b>146,917</b>	<b>90,824</b>	<b>100,050</b>	<b>109,737</b>
<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>	<b>1,092,793</b>	<b>616,782</b>	<b>616,782</b>	<b>552,241</b>	<b>699,158</b>	<b>789,982</b>	<b>890,031</b>	<b>999,769</b>

RCS  
Infrastructure  
Fund Balance



## Regional Communications System Infrastructure (210-3)

- FY27 Ending Fund Balance (After all NSRS (P25) Payments): \$552,241
- 10% Infrastructure Revenue FY22-FY26:

	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26 YTD	5-Year Total
10% Infrastructure Contribution	165,106.91	137,921.28	181,172.86	168,714.56	192,399.97	845,315.58

- Capital Expenditures FY22-FY26 from Infrastructure:

Capital Expenditures	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26 YTD	5-Year Total
NSRS (P25)	-	-	-	-	700,000.00	700,000.00
Fox Mountain	385,660.70	-	-	-	-	385,660.70
Marble Bluff	519,339.30	150,000.00	-	-	-	669,339.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>905,000.00</b>	<b>150,000.00</b>	-	-	<b>700,000.00</b>	<b>1,755,000.00</b>

*\*Note that FY27 has budget authority of \$300K for the NSRS (P25)*

- Discussion on transfer of excess balance from Operations to Infrastructure in Q1 of each Fiscal Year.
- Discussion on funding future upgrades to radio systems



# Washoe County Regional Communications System Fund (210-1 Operations)

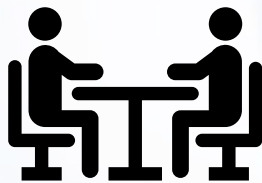
- Excess funds (Revenue minus Expenses) in RCS Operations contributes to the overall fund balance.
- The target balance for RCS Operations needs to consider cash balance, Debt Service, etc.

	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY26 Plan	FY26 Estimate	FY27	FY28	FY29	FY30
Total – Difference between Revenue and Expenses	344,700	(95,069)	12,292	368,164	(18,975)	253,381	88,152	105,859	(543,053)	(571,912)
<b>Ending Fund Balance*</b>	<b>1,400,402</b>	<b>1,523,751</b>	<b>1,536,266</b>	<b>1,904,431</b>	<b>1,885,455</b>	<b>2,157,812</b>	<b>2,245,965</b>	<b>2,351,824</b>	<b>1,808,771</b>	<b>1,236,858</b>
<b>Debt Service Reserve</b>	<b>98,040</b>	<b>148,549</b>	<b>198,800</b>	<b>249,373</b>	<b>299,850</b>	<b>299,850</b>	<b>350,472</b>	<b>401,142</b>	<b>451,764</b>	<b>502,564</b>

\*Includes debt service reserve funds. Debt Service Reserve funds accumulate over time and will be utilized to make the final debt service payment.

# Washoe County Regional Communications System Fund

800 MHz or  
P25 JOC  
**October**  
meeting



- Review RCS Operations Excess funds as determined by Washoe County budget analyst.
- Transfer excess funds to infrastructure?



Washoe County transfer funds from RCS Operations to RCS Infrastructure as directed by JOC



# Washoe County Regional Communications System Fund

- Schedule for regular budget and fund reporting:
  - Quarterly at regular JOC meetings.
- Is the WCRCS fund in an interest-bearing account?
  - Yes

## RCS Interest/Investments:

	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
481000 Interest-Pooled Inv.	\$30,246	\$46,455	\$35,761	\$61,766	\$87,376	\$140,136
482100 RGL Pooled Invest.	\$5,789	\$13,008	\$7,302	\$16,484	\$24,994	\$17,671
482200 URGL Pooled Inv.	\$31,337	(\$54,470)	(\$190,879)	\$12,831	\$32,293	\$98,074
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$67,372</b>	<b>\$4,993</b>	<b>(\$147,816)</b>	<b>\$91,081</b>	<b>\$144,663</b>	<b>\$255,881</b>



# Washoe County Regional Communications System Fund

- Target balance for WCRCS Infrastructure fund discussion:
  - The RCS Fund target balance should be based on planned future projects and associated expenses.
- Possible Future Projects and System Enhancements:
  - NSRS Core Upgrade
  - Ash Field Radio Site Construction
  - System upgrade and replacement