

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
12621 E. 166th Street, Cerritos, California 90703**

2:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2003

AGENDA

Each item on the agenda, no matter how described, shall be deemed to include any appropriate motion, whether to adopt a minute motion, resolution, payment of any bill, approval of any matter or action, or any other action. Items listed as "For Information" or "For Discussion" may also be the subject of an "action" taken by the Board or a Committee at the same meeting.

I. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. INVOCATION

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

V. ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO AGENDA

Determine the need to add items to the agenda. In order for the Board to add an item to the agenda it must make a determination that: (i). The item came to the attention of the Board after the posting of the agenda; (ii). That there is a need for immediate action to be taken by the Board. If these two tests are met, the Board may add the item in question to the agenda for consideration consistent with the provisions of the Brown Act.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are considered routine by the Board of Directors and will be adopted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately immediately following action on the remaining items.

A. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF JULY 2, 2003 AND JULY 16, 2003

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve the Minutes as submitted.

B. POWER CONFERENCE

Staff Recommendation: That the Board fund the California Water Policy 13 Conference at the \$1,500 sponsorship level.

Committee Recommendation: That the Board fund the California Water Policy 13 Conference at the \$1,500 sponsorship level.

**C. 2003 WATEREUSE ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM –
WATER REUSE: A RESOURCE WITHOUT BORDERS,
SEPTEMBER 7-10, 2003, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve travel for Directors and staff members, as determined by the General Manager, to the 2003 WaterReuse Symposium, September 7-10, 2003, in San Antonio, Texas.

Committee Recommendation: The Inter-Agency Committee recommends that the Board approve travel for Directors and staff members, as determined by the General Manager, to the 2003 WaterReuse Symposium, September 7-10, 2003, in San Antonio, Texas.

VII. WATER BOTTLE SLOGAN CONTEST WINNER

Staff Recommendation: For information.

Committee Recommendation: For information.

VIII. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PARS)

Staff Recommendation: For discussion.

Committee Recommendation: For discussion.

IX. ORDINANCE COVERING INCREASE IN COMPENSATION FOR DIRECTORS

Staff Recommendation: For discussion.

Committee Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.

X. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Staff Recommendation: For discussion.

Committee Recommendation: For discussion.

XI. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

XII. DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT

XIII. DIRECTORS' REPORTS / COMMITTEE REPORTS

XIV. WRD BOARD MEETING DATES

- A. August 20, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – Board of Directors Meeting
- B. September 3, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – Board of Directors Meeting
- C. September 17, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – Board of Directors Meeting
- D. October 1, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – Board of Directors Meeting

XV. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Existing litigation per Government Code §54956.9 (a)
 - 1. WRD vs Midland Park Water Trust; L.A.S.C. Case No. 01-CO-1417
 - 2. Central and West Basin Water Replenishment District vs Charles Adams; L.A.S.C. Case No. 786,656
 - 3. Buford Sonny Walker vs Water Replenishment District of Southern California, et al.; Case No. BC276152
 - 4. WRD vs Kernview Oil Corporation, Pacific Energy Resources, Sunset Pipeline and Terminalling, Inc., Titan Energy, Inc., Trio Petroleum, Inc., Danex Aggregate Materials, Inc., and DOES 1-30. Case No. BC286475

5. Ronald P. Flores vs. Water Replenishment District of Southern California, et al.; California Court of Appeal, Case No. B165755
- B. Anticipated litigation per Government Code §54956.9(b)
One Case
Anticipated litigation per Government Code §54956.9 (c)
One Cases
- C. Labor Negotiations per Government Code §54957.6
Negotiator: Arnaldo Beltran
Bargaining Group: American Federation of State County & Municipal Employees (AFSCME)
Discussion: Terms and conditions for Memorandum of Understanding for bargaining group
- D. Consideration of appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, or dismissal of public employee per Government Code §54957
Position Title: General Manager

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Agenda posted by Marcia A. Forkos, Deputy Secretary, July 31, 2003. In compliance with ADA requirements, this document can be made available in alternative formats upon request.

**MINUTES OF JULY 2, 2003
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District was held on July 2, 2003, at 2:00 P.M. in the District office at 12621 E.166th Street, Cerritos, California. President Willard H. Murray, Jr. called the meeting to order and presided. Deputy Secretary Marcia A. Forkos recorded the minutes.

I. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

The President declared a quorum of Directors was present, which in addition to himself included Directors Pat Acosta, Robert W. Goldsworthy, Albert Robles and Norm Ryan. Also participating in the meeting were General Manager Bruce Mowry, Assistant General Manager and District Engineer Robb Whitaker, District Counsels J. Arnaldo Beltrán and Edward Casey, and Hydrogeologist Tony Kirk.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jim Glancy, City of Lakewood, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. INVOCATION

Director Ryan gave the Invocation.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

V. ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

None.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 4, 2003

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve the Minutes as submitted.

B. MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF JUNE 12, 2003

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve the Minutes as submitted.

C. MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF JUNE 24, 2003

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve the Minutes as submitted.

D. CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE WELL 43-01 CONTINGENCY REINSTATEMENT

Staff Recommendation: That the Board reinstate the 10% contingency.

Committee Recommendation: The Groundwater Clean-Up Committee reviewed this item at its June 23, 2003 and concurs with staff's recommendation to reinstate the 10% contingency on California Water Service Well 43-01.

E. REQUEST FROM CENTRAL BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT (CBMWD) FOR EXTENSION OF A NON-CONSUMPTIVE WATER USE PERMIT

Staff Recommendation: That the Board extend the non-consumptive use permit to Central Basin Municipal Water District.

Committee Recommendation: The Groundwater Clean-Up Committee reviewed this item at its June 23, 2003 meeting and recommends that the Board extend the non-consumptive use permit to Central Basin Municipal Water District for a period of one year from the date of approval by the WRD Board (July 2, 2003).

F. LEGISLATIVE REPORT – AB 148 (DYMALLY)

Staff Recommendation: For discussion.

Committee Recommendation: The Inter-Agency Committee recommends that the Board OPPOSE AB 148 (Dymally).

Upon a motion duly made by Director Goldsworthy, seconded by Director Robles, and unanimously approved, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board approves Consent Calendar of July 2, 2003 as submitted.

VII. RECEIVE AND FILE 2001/2002 REGIONAL GROUNDWATER MONITORING REPORT

Hydrogeologist Tony Kirk gave an overview of the report noted that staff has been producing the report in-house since 1996.

Mr. Kirk stated that no new well drilling is planned for the coming year as staff is confident that the majority of data gaps were filled

within the last couple of years. It was noted that the report is on the website.

Upon motion duly made by Director Goldsworthy, seconded by Director Ryan and unanimously approved, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board Receive and File the 2001/2002 Regional Groundwater Monitoring Report.

VIII. CENTRAL BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER PROJECT – RIO HONDO COASTAL BASIN SPREADING GROUNDS EXPANSION – MULTI-USE PROJECT

General Manager Bruce Mowry stated that this item was on the Central Basin Municipal Water District agenda of its June 23, 2003 meeting and that WRD was not aware of the project. He noted that not just wetlands but also recharge areas could be affected as this is in the area of the Rio Hondo Spreading Grounds. President Murray stated that the Central Basin Board had not taken any action.

Further discussion was held regarding other sites for the wetlands. Rich Nagel of Central and West Basin MWDs noted that the Central Basin MWD item was to request grants under Propositions 13 and 40 to study the feasibility of the idea.

Discussion continued and Director Ryan stated that during a conversation with Jim Noyes of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works he stated that he had advised Central and West Basin MWDs to coordinate with WRD. Mr. Nagel said that he would take this item back to his Boards of Directors.

General Manager Bruce Mowry voiced concerns that recycled water use may be restricted because of blending issues and that

the regulators may not look at Central Basin MWD's project as separate. He was concerned that WRD had not been informed of this item by Central Basin MWD when it may impact WRD projects.

Director Acosta asked that the General Manager and staff list and discuss concerns. President Murray requested that staff then present the concerns to Central Basin MWD. Dr. Mowry said that the Water Resources Committee will discuss this item further on at its July 10th meeting.

IX. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-683 – A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING A CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Director Acosta explained that this item was discussed at the Inter-Agency Committee and the Committee agreed that there is a need for participation and that criteria needs to be defined for membership. She also stated that the Finance Committee would make the final recommendation on proposed chambers of commerce memberships before they would be considered by the Board. Director Goldsworthy noted that there are different levels of participation in chambers of commerce and that would be what the Finance Committee would be reviewing. Director Acosta stated that most chamber of commerce membership fees are minimal. Director Ryan clarified that the Board would have the final say on which chambers of commerce the District would join.

Upon motion duly made by Directory Acosta, seconded by President Murray and unanimously approved, Resolution No. 03-683 was adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-683

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN
CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING A CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE
MEMBERSHIP POLICY

(Reference is hereby made to Resolution No. 03-683 in the Draft Resolution file and by this reference is incorporated herein and included as part hereof as though fully set forth at length.)

X. SACRAMENTO LOBBYIST CONTRACT

President Murray stated that WRD's Sacramento Lobbyist Curtis Earnest will be working for Assemblyman Mark Ridley-Thomas. District Counsel stated that the Board should acknowledge Mr. Earnest's resignation. Discussion followed and President Murray recommended that this item go to the Inter-Agency Committee. It was determined that the Inter-Agency Committee would hold a Special meeting and then make a recommendation to the Board as soon as possible to continue WRD lobbyist coverage in Sacramento.

XI. PUBLIC AGENCY RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PARS)

District Counsel requested that this item be deferred until after closed session.

XII. REVIEW OF SOURCES FOR WATER PURCHASES BY THE DISTRICT AND CONSIDERATION OF POLICY CONCERNING THE SOURCES USED BY THE DISTRICT

Director Robles requested that this item be postponed and that it go back to the Ad Hoc Committee. He explained that new information had been provided and that the Committee would like additional time to work on the policy before presenting it to the Board.

XIII. MEMORANDUM CONCERNING COOPERATIVE UNDERTAKINGS BETWEEN THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT AND WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

President Murray explained that he and Director Acosta have been working with West Basin Municipal Water District and the MOU represents what was agreed to. District Counsel Ed Casey noted that the Ad Hoc West Basin Committee had met with West Basin's Committee and both had agreed to paragraph 3, under terms, that the last sentence recognizes the WRD appellate court decision. Discussion followed and Director Acosta stated that she agrees with including the Court's identifying the roles of each District.

Director Robles voiced concern that the MOU states that West Basin MWD recognize "certain" powers inherent to WRD as in the Court's opinion and he is concerned that it may be subject to interpretation. District Counsel Ed Casey suggested change "certain" to "the". Discussion followed and the majority of the Board chose not to change the wording in the MOU.

Upon motion duly made by President Murray, seconded by Director Acosta and with Director Robles dissenting, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board adopt the Memorandum of Understanding concerning cooperative undertakings between the Water Replenishment District and West Basin Municipal Water District.

XIV. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Bruce Mowry stated that he attended a Water Plan Action Committee in Sacramento and that Allen Gribnau, of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, was on the Committee. He stated that the Committee has workshops on water transfers, storage, etc. that would be of interest to WRD. He

suggested that the Board consider WRD getting involved. President Murray asked Dr. Mowry to look into the possibility of WRD becoming a member.

XV. DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT

Deferred to closed session.

XVI. DIRECTORS' REPORTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director Ryan stated that he is the Chairperson on the Ad Hoc Financing Committee and that the Committee has met and is scheduling interviews for financial advisors later this month.

Director Acosta stated that the Ad Hoc Strategic Planning Committee has been meeting and that they hope to have a more focused plan ready for Board discussion in the near future. She also noted that the Ad Hoc Outreach Committee is interviewing consulting groups to help the District with recycled water projects.

Director Acosta also mentioned that the Inter-Agency educational partnership program is going well. She gave a brief overview of the WRD program at a South Gate middle school.

XVII. MEETING DATES

- A. July 16, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – WRD Board of Directors Meeting
- B. July 29, 2003 – 10:00 A.M. – Leo J. Vander Lans Treatment Facility Project Dedication Ceremony
- C. August 6, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – WRD Board of Directors Meeting
- D. August 20, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – Board of Directors Meeting

XVIII. CLOSED SESSION

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 - 2. Central and West Basin Water Replenishment District vs

- Charles Adams; LASC Case No. 786,656
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Discussion: Terms and conditions for Memorandum of Understanding for bargaining group

The Board went into closed session. The Board reconvened in open session.

Agenda Item No. XI. - Public Agency Retirement System (PARS) was deferred to the next Board meeting.

Status reports for Agenda Items XVIII.A. 1, 2, 3, and 5 were given and no action was taken. For agenda item XVIII A. 4 a status report was given and District Counsel was given further instructions.

For Agenda Item XVIII.B, under Anticipated litigation per Government Code §54956.9(b), one case was reviewed, status report was provided, and District Counsel was given further instructions. Under Government Code §54956.9 (c), one case was reviewed, status report was provided, and no action was taken.

For Agenda Item XVIII.C, a status report was given and District Counsel was given further instructions.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

President Murray asked if there was any further business to come before the Board and there being none, the meeting was adjourned.

President

ATTEST:

Secretary

**MINUTES OF JULY 16, 2003
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District was held on July 16, 2003, at 2:00 P.M. in the District office at 12621 E.166th Street, Cerritos, California. President Willard H. Murray, Jr. called the meeting to order and presided. Deputy Secretary Marcia A. Forkos recorded the minutes.

I. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

The President declared a quorum of Directors was present, which in addition to himself included Directors Robert W. Goldsworthy, Albert Robles, and Norm Ryan. Director Pat Acosta was excused. Also participating in the meeting were General Manager Bruce Mowry, Assistant General Manager and District Engineer Robb Whitaker, and District Counsels J. Arnaldo Beltrán and Edward Casey.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Darryl Miller, General Manager of West Basin and Central Basin Municipal Water Districts (WB/CBMWD) led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. INVOCATION

Director Gary Morse of Central Basin Municipal Water District gave the Invocation.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

V. ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

None.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 18, 2003

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve the minutes as submitted.

B. DEMANDS AND CONTRACTS

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve the Demands as submitted.

Committee Recommendation: The Finance Committee recommends that the Board approve the Demands as submitted.

C. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve the Financial Statements as submitted.

Committee Recommendation: The Finance Committee recommends that the Board approve the Financial Statements as submitted.

**D. INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED
MAY 31, 2003**

Staff Recommendation: That the Board approve the Investment Report as submitted.

Committee Recommendation: The Finance Committee recommends that the Board approve the Investment Report as submitted.

E. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-680 – A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPTON MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT; THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 1 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY (COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 1), THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY (COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 2), AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM ANNEXATION PROJECT 57-403 (I 142-2002) TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687

Staff Recommendation: That the Board adopt Resolution No. 03-680.

Committee Recommendation: The Finance Committee recommends the Board adopt Resolution No. 03-680.

F. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-681 – A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT; THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 18 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY (COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 18), AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE

NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM ANNEXATION PROJECT NO. 124-1001 (I 055-00); AND 158-1002 (TR 52079) TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE CHANGES – MID-YEAR BUDGET SCHEDULE

Staff Recommendation: That the Board adopt Resolution No. 03-681.

Committee Recommendation: The Finance Committee recommends the Board adopt Resolution No. 03-681.

G. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-682 – A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT; THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 9 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY (COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 9), AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM ANNEXATION PROJECT NO. 90-602 (I 094-00) TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687

Staff Recommendation: That the Board adopt Resolution No. 03-682.

Committee Recommendation: The Finance Committee recommends the Board adopt Resolution No. 03-682.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Goldsworthy, seconded by Director Robles, and unanimously approved, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board approves the Consent Calendar of July 16, 2003 as submitted.

VII. EVALUATION OF DISTRICT COUNSEL

This item was deferred until after closed session.

VIII. AGENDA DISTRIBUTION

Director Ryan stated that this item was brought before the Finance Committee with options on how to encourage the District's agenda recipients to use the website to get agendas and other supporting back up information. The effort was also aimed at reducing costs associated with agenda production and unnecessary agenda

mailings. The Committee suggested adding a cost waiver for recipients not wanting to pay for hard copies.

Senior Administrative Assistant Tracey Burke stated that this action will lead to efficient use of staff time and resources.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Ryan, seconded by Director Robles, and unanimously approved, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board directs staff to send the new subscription letter and form to agenda subscribers in December 2003.

IX. LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION (LAFCO) REVIEW

District Counsel Beltrán stated that the Local Agency Formation Commission for Los Angeles County (LAFCO) is currently in the process of reviewing the sphere of influence for each special district within the county of Los Angeles. In order to prepare an update to a sphere of influence, the Local Agency Formation Commission must also conduct a service review of the municipal services provided. A letter and survey were received from LAFCO dated June 25th, where responses to Part 1 of the Request for Information (RFI) due within four weeks from the date of the issuance of the letter and Part 2 of the RFI due within six weeks.

District Counsel Beltrán stated that it was staff's recommendation that the questionnaire be completed to reflect that there are no changes to the District boundaries at this time and that there are no plans for expansion.

Upon a motion by President Murray, seconded by Director Goldsworthy, and unanimously approved, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board directs staff to complete and submit the Request for Information (RFI) questionnaires from the Local Agency Formation Commission for Los Angeles County (LAFCO) with the information that the District boundaries have not changed and that there are no expansion plans in the future.

X. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PARS)

This item was deferred until after closed session.

XI. ORGANIZATION CHART

President Murray stated that the Administrative Committee had reviewed the District's existing organizational chart and had recommended that the General Manager submit a new one. Discussion followed.

By roll call vote, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board not approve the current organization chart by the General Manager and that a new organization chart be submitted to and reviewed by the Administrative Committee prior to approval by the Board.

AYES: Directors Murray, Ryan, Robles
NOES: Director Goldsworthy

XII. STATE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCAY SUPPORT

General Manager Bruce Mowry stated that Earnest Governmental Relations as resigned as the District's state legislative support advocate. The Inter-Agency Committee reviewed and discussed this matter and stressed the importance of maintaining state advocacy support services. The Committee recommended retaining Reggie Fair of R. Fair and Associates to continue the services previously undertaken by Earnest

Governmental Relations. Mr. Fair is familiar with the WRD and its issues as he has provided advocacy support services to the District in the past.

The Inter-Agency Committee recommended that the District contract with R. Fair and Associates for state legislative support services at a monthly retainer fee of \$5,000, and an additional amount up to \$5,000 per month for special services as required with the approval of the General Manager.

Director Robles stated that he supports the contract with Mr. Fair but would like the Board to be informed of any modifications to the contract as they arise. He noted that this will avoid the potential of abuse in the future.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Robles, seconded by President Murray, and unanimously approved, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board contract with R. Fair and Associates for state legislative support services as a monthly retainer fee of \$5,000, and an additional amount of up to \$5,000 per month for special services, as required, with the approval of the General Manager.

XIII. ORDINANCE COVERING INCREASE IN COMPENSATION FOR DIRECTORS

Director Ryan stated that the Administrative Committee has reviewed this item and several scenarios were discussed. The Committee recommended that the Board initiate the process to pass an ordinance to provide an automatic adjustment at the first of each year based upon the previous year's Consumer Price Index (CPI), not to exceed an increase or decrease of more than 5%. The adjustment was beginning January 1, 1995.

Director Robles stated that he felt it was inappropriate to do this at this time since it has already been perceived that Board has too many perks. He stated that he was also not in favor of the retroactive procedure.

Director Goldsworthy stated that the increase was fine but not the retroactive adjustment.

President Murray stated that the Board's compensation is behind that of Central and West Basin Municipal Water Districts. Discussion followed.

The Board deferred this item to the next Board meeting.

XIV. CENTRAL BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT – RIO HONDO COASTAL BASIN SPREADING GROUNDS EXPANSION – MULTI-USE PROJECT

Mr. Darryl Miller, General Manager of Central Basin Municipal Water District (CBMWD), gave a Powerpoint presentation on the Rio Hondo Coastal Basin Spreading Grounds Expansion and Multi-use Project.

Director Ryan expressed concern that that area chosen in Pico Rivera is a prime recharge area and will be degraded to create a wetland facility.

Director Goldsworthy stated that it was his recollection that Mr. Miller had recommended, when he was WRD's strategic planner, the area in Pico Rivera as suitable for spreading.

Mr. Miller responded that the proposed project would include a multi-purpose education center about water, watershed, recycled

water, etc., and that there is a possibility for increased use of recycled water in the area.

Dr. Mowry stated that the wetlands in the Rio Hondo area may result in a reduction of recycled water for replenishment purposes for WRD in the Forebay.

Director Robles stated that he would like to clarify his recommendation from the last Water Resources Committee meeting. He noted that he is in favor of wetlands but had expressed concern about this area in Pico Rivera since other sites are deemed more appropriate. He recommended that the Board send letters to the entities offering financial support to CBMWD's Rio Hondo Project to express concern about the site chosen for the project and have them consider other projects more worthy of their monies. This motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Allen Gribnau, Los Angeles County Department of Public Works (LADPW), stated that the County's primary concern is groundwater recharge in addition to its flood control responsibility. He added that this project is an opportunity to create additional recharge but also create a wetland project as well as relieve pressure from the basins. He felt that it was a win-win situation.

Director Ryan stated that in his conversations with Jim Noyes, Director of LADPW, Mr. Noyes had insisted that WRD be made a part of project. Director Ryan asked Mr. Gribnau to express his thanks to Mr. Noyes.

By roll call vote, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board contact the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, Central Basin Municipal Water District, and other interested agencies asking to be a participating partner in the Rio Hondo Coastal Basin Spreading Grounds Expansion – Multi-use Project thereby providing additional expertise and knowledge.

AYES: Directors Goldsworthy, Murray, Ryan
NOES: Director Robles

XV. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

XVI. DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT

District Counsel Beltrán stated that his report will be deferred to closed session.

District Counsel Casey stated that the an appeal was submitted by pumpers regarding the Second District Court of Appeals ruling affirming the Superior Court's decision that storage in the Central Basin is a public resources and that it should be managed by WRD. The appeal was denied.

XVII. DIRECTORS' REPORTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director Robles asked if the Board would adjourn in memory of his grandmother Anita Santa Cruz.

XVIII. MEETING DATES

- A. July 29, 2003 –10:00 A.M. – Leo J. Vander Lans Treatment Facility Project Dedication Ceremony
- B. August 20, 2003 - 2:00 P.M. – WRD Board of Directors Meeting
- C. September 3, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – WRD Board of Directors Meeting
- D. September 17, 2003 – 2:00 P.M. – WRD Board of Directors Meeting

The following meetings were also added:

July 31, 2003 – 10:00 a.m. – Strategic Planning Workshop

August 6, 2003 – 2:00 p.m. – WRD Board Meeting was inadvertently omitted.

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 - Position Title: District Counsel

The Board went into closed session. The Board reconvened in open session.

For Agenda Items XIX.A.1, 2, 3, and 5, status reports were provided, consensus was reached, and further instructions were given. For Agenda Item XIX.A.4, a status report was given and no action was taken.

For Agenda Item XIX.B, Anticipated litigation per Government Code §54956.9(b), one case was reviewed, a status report was provided, consensus was reached, and further instructions were given. Government Code §54956.9 (c) was not considered.

For Agenda Item XIX.C, a status report was provided, consensus reached, and further instructions were provided.

For Agenda Item XIX.D, a status report was provided and further instructions were provided to consultant.

For Agenda Item XIX.E, items were discussed without District Counsel present, and consensus was reached.

VII. EVALUATION OF DISTRICT COUNSEL

Director Robles stated that since there was no contract attached to the board package, he was concerned with public perception and asked that the Board defer action on this item until the next meeting. He noted that the District has a great legal team.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Murray, seconded by Director Ryan and by roll call vote, it was

RESOLVED: That the Board approve the proposed amendments to contracts for District Counsel services.

AYES: Directors Goldsworthy, Murray, and Ryan
NOES: Director Robles

X. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PARS)

Deferred to the next meeting.

XX. ADJOURNMENT

President Murray asked if there was any further business to come before the Board and there being none, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Anita Santa Cruz.

President

ATTEST:

Secretary

AGENDA ITEM NO. VI.B

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2003
TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: BRUCE A. MOWRY, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: POWER CONFERENCE

The Public Officials for Water and Environment Reform (POWER) has organized a water conference for the past 12 years. This year's California Water Policy 13 Conference entitled "Juggling Our Water Future" will be held on November 19-20, 2003 at the Wilshire Grand Hotel. The conference serves as a valuable opportunity to interact with those involved in the development and implementation of water policy throughout the state of California. It is expected to draw attendance from a broad representation of water professionals, water agencies and environmental groups.

WRD has been a sponsor of past POWER conferences. The District has contributed \$2,500 each year over the last 3 years and was provided five conference registrations each year. This conference provides an excellent opportunity to increase our visibility in the water and environmental arenas.

The Inter-Agency Committee reviewed this item on July 24, 2003 and is recommending continuation of WRD's financial support of this important event at a level of \$1,500. Three conference registrations would be provided at this level.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$1,500.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: That the Board fund the California Water Policy 13 Conference at the \$1,500 sponsorship level.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That the Board fund the California Water Policy 13 Conference at the \$1,500 sponsorship level.

AGENDA ITEM NO. VI.C

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2003
TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: BRUCE A. MOWRY, GENERAL MANAGER
**SUBJECT: 2003 WATEREUSE ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM –
WATER REUSE: A RESOURCE WITHOUT BORDERS,
SEPTEMBER 7-10, 2003, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

The WaterReuse Association's 2003 annual symposium will be held September 7-10, 2003, in San Antonio, Texas. Technical sessions will be devoted to diverse and relevant topics as membrane bioreactors, indirect potable reuse, health effects, and storage and groundwater issues. A new feature – a Users Forum – has been added in 2003 in response to requests from users of reclaimed water. This session will feature panelists who use reclaimed water for a variety of purposes.

Among the presentators are Central Basin Municipal Water District Director Gary Morse who is scheduled to be a moderator in one of the technical sessions on Indirect Potable Reuse, West Basin Municipal Water District Public Affairs Manager Art Aguilar who is scheduled to be a presenter in the public education portion, and Central and West Basin Municipal Water Districts General Manager Darryl Miller who is scheduled to make a presentation on their reclaimed water project.

The symposium will be held at the Marriott Rivercenter. The deadline for registration and hotel reservations is August 15, 2003. After that date, it will be on a space availability basis only, and may be subject to a rate increase.

The Inter-Agency Committee reviewed this item as a subsequent need item, having met the Brown Act requirements, at its July 24, 2003 meeting and concurred with staff's recommendation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Registration fees are \$425 for members. Hotel accommodations are \$149 per night, plus tax.

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board approve travel for Directors and staff members, as determined by the General Manager, to the 2003 WateReuse Symposium, September 7-10, 2003, in San Antonio, Texas.

**COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION:**

The Inter-Agency Committee recommends that the Board approve travel for Directors and staff members, as determined by the General Manager, to the 2003 WateReuse Symposium, September 7-10, 2003, in San Antonio, Texas.

AGENDA ITEM NO. VII

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2003
TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: BRUCE A. MOWRY, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: WATER BOTTLE SLOGAN CONTEST WINNER

The WRD sponsored a Water Bottle Slogan Contest for the general public. Earlier this year, the WRD asked the public to craft a slogan that could be placed on a label of bottled groundwater. We asked that the public keep the slogan to only a few words and include the word "groundwater."

Nearly 150 slogans were submitted to the WRD. A committee consisting of Vice President Pat Acosta, General Manager Bruce Mowry, Public Affairs Representative Albert Frias and Educator Susan Garcia, a science teacher at Colin Powell Academy School in Long Beach, reviewed slogans.

The winning slogan was submitted by Guadalupe Allen, who happens to live in Cerritos. Her slogan was "groundwater worth drinking, with the letters WRD highlighted. Mrs. Allen will receive a case of bottled groundwater, which will be bottled by the Long Beach Water Department.

The WRD will purchase 100 cases of bottled water, which will be distributed at various WRD events.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$960 for 100 cases of bottled water.

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION:** For information.

**COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION:** For information.

AGENDA ITEM NO. VIII

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2003
TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: BRUCE A. MOWRY, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: PUBLIC AGENCY RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PARS)

This item was deferred from the meeting of July 16, 2003 to this Board meeting.

District Counsel will provide a report.

FISCAL IMPACT: Unknown.

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION:** For discussion.

**COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION:** For discussion and possible action.

AGENDA ITEM NO. IX

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2003
TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: BRUCE A. MOWRY, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: ORDINANCE COVERING INCREASE IN COMPENSATION FOR DIRECTORS

This item was deferred from the meeting of July 16, 2003 to this Board meeting.

Director compensation has not been increased in ten years. The Administrative Committee, at its July 9, 2003 meeting, reviewed several scenarios. The Committee recommends that the Board initiate the process to pass an ordinance to provide an automatic adjustment at the first of each year based upon the previous year's Consumer Price Index (CPI), not to exceed an increase or decrease of more than 5%. The adjustment should be made beginning January 1, 1995.

A copy of the calculation chart is attached, including the other scenarios presented to the Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT: Unknown.

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION:** For discussion.

**COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION:** For discussion and possible action.

AGENDA ITEM NO. X

DATE: AUGUST 6, 2003
TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: BRUCE A. MOWRY, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Staff will provide a verbal update on federal and state issues.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

**STAFF
RECOMMENDATION:** For discussion.

**COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION:** For discussion.

WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE
July 23, 2003 (new information is italicized)

Bill No./ Author	Title/Content	Status	Position
AB 58 Bates	<p>State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account. Appropriates 75% of funds collected by a regional board to that board to carry out the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act and 25% of those funds to the state board to carry out the act.</p> <p>Comments: The Porter-Cologne Act currently deposits funds collected to the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account in the State Water Quality Control Fund. Monies in the account are then continuously appropriated to the state board for specified cleanup programs. Requires 2/3 votes.</p>	<p>Int. 12/05/02 Location: Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials (01/13/02) Status: Amended (03/25/03); Hearing postponed to 04/29/03</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Support if Amended</p>
AB 66 Leslie	<p>Riparian Habitat: Adopt-A-Riverway Program. Authorizes the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to operate a government-volunteer partnership Adopt-A-Riverway Program. Program includes management of noxious and invasive weeds where present; planting of native seedling trees, shrubs, native grasses, and wildflowers; and improving-enhancing riparian, aquatic, or fish habitats removing litter and weeds. Establishes an Adopt-A-Riverway Fund. Establishes guidelines for donor recognition signs. Recently amended to establish criteria governing expenditures from the fund. 15% to CDFA for noxious weed activities. Balance available for noxious weed grants through the adopt-a-riverway program.</p>	<p>Int. 12/09/02 Location: Senate Appropriations (suspense file), 07/14/03 Status: Amended (02/05/03, 03/26/03, 04/22/03, 05/07/03, 06/17/03); <i>Passed Sen. Natural Resources & Wildlife (06/25/03)</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Favor</p>
AB 83 Corbett	<p>Bottled water. Transfers regulations and licensure of bottled water from the Sherman Food, Drug and Cosmetic Law to the California Safe Drinking Water Law. Requires bottled water licensees to comply with provisions similar to those imposed on public water systems regarding emergency notification plans, consumer confidence reports, and annual inspections. Also requires the labeling on bottled water sold at retail or wholesale in a plastic beverage container to include specified information. Creates the Safe Bottled and Vended Water Account.</p> <p>Comments: Supported by NRDC, East Bay MUD, and Clean Water Action. Would require bottled water companies, like Coca Cola and Pepsi who market their own branded water, to comply with more stringent requirements listed in Consumer Confidence Reports.</p>	<p>Int. 01/06/103 Location: <i>Sen. Env. Quality</i> Status: Amended (03/13/03, 04/28/03; 06/02/03, 06/02/03); <i>Passed Sen. Health and Human Services (07/10/03); Hearing on 08/18/03</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Support ACWA: Favor WRD Board: Support (04/02/03)</p>
AB 93 Canciamilla	<p>Safe, Clean, and Reliable Water Supply Water Bond Act of 2004. Authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$7.886 billion to finance water quality, security, and supply infrastructure improvement programs.</p> <p>Comments: This will be the 2004 or 2006 water bond.</p>	<p>Int. 01/08/03 Location: Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials Status: Amended (04/07/03, 0512/03); passed Water, Parks & Wildlife (04/08/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Support if Amended</p>
AB 107 Corbett	<p>Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002. Appropriates Water Security funds from Prop 50 to DWR <i>DHS</i> for grants to local agencies. Requires DWR <i>DHS</i> to develop guidelines for awarding grants <i>in consultation with the Office of Emergency Services, the state Office of Homeland Security, and public water</i></p>	<p>Int. 01/10/03 Location: Senate Agriculture and Water Status: Amended on</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Oppose unless amended</p>

	<p>agencies. Prevents DHS from awarding grants to reimburse projects costs incurred prior to the adoption of the criteria and from awarding grants to supplant funding for the routine responsibilities or obligations of any state, local, or regional drinking water system. Establishes preferences for grant awards to projects that produce the greatest regional public benefit for the least cost, projects that help to achieve regional equity in the distribution of grant funds, and eligible projects that are consistent with any regionally based water resources management plan that has been planned through a public process. Requires the completion of a security vulnerability assessment and the completion of an emergency response plan that incorporates the results of the security vulnerability assessment.</p>	<p>03/17/03, 04/21/03, 06/02/03, 06/24/03; Hearing cancelled by author (07/01/03)</p>	
<p>AB 148 Dymally</p>	<p>Municipal water districts. Prohibits the Central and West Basin Municipal Water Districts from issuing bonds, certificates of participation, financing leases, installment sales or purchase agreements, or other evidence of indebtedness, without the approval of a majority of the voters participating in a district-wide election.</p>	<p>Int. 01/21/03 Location: Assembly Local Government (corrected 05/22/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch WRD: Oppose (07/02/03)</p>
<p>AB 314 Kehoe</p>	<p>Desalination. Declares that it is the policy of the state that desalination projects developed for public water entities be considered for assistance and funding on an equal basis with other water efficiency, supply, and reliability projects, and that desalination projects be consistent with all applicable environmental protection policies in the state. Includes desalination of seawater, brackish water, and reclaimed water.</p>	<p>Int. 02/07/03 Location: In Assembly for concurrence (07/17/03) Status: Amended on 04/01/03, 05/15/03, 06/23/03; Passed Sen. Ag & Water (06/19/03); Passed Sen. Env. Qual. (07/08/03); Passed Sen. Floor (07/17/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch CMUA: Support</p>
<p>AB 386 Aghazarian</p>	<p>Drinking water: local primacy agencies. Requires DHS to meet and confer with representative of the California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health or the local primacy agencies, or both, to identify and provide adequate funds to local primacy agencies, prior to passing on any new mandates or expanding existing mandates.</p>	<p>Int. 02/14/03 Location: Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials (02/27/03) Status: Hearing postponed by committee (04/29/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
<p>AB 536 Calderon</p>	<p>Water replenishment districts. Requires a water replenishment district to conduct a written cost-benefit analysis to determine the feasibility of a project before building, leasing, purchasing, or contracting for a capital improvement project. Comments: Spot bill</p>	<p>Int. 02/12/03 Location: Assembly Water, Parks & Wildlife (03/10/03) Status: Hearing cancelled at author's request (04/29/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
<p>AB 562 Spitzer</p>	<p>2002 Recycled Water Task Force. Declares the Legislature's intent to implement the recommendations of the 2002 Recycled Water Task Force.</p>	<p>Int. 02/18/03 Location:</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
<p>AB 740 Pavley</p>	<p>Clean Air, Clean Water, and Coast Protection Act of 2004. Authorizes the issuance of \$2.9 billion in state bonds for air and water quality and coastal protection program.</p>	<p>Int. 02/19/03 Location: Assembly Appropriations Status: Passed out of Assembly Natural</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>

		Resources (04/09/03); Amended (04/10/03); Passed out of Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials (04/22/03); Held under submission (05/28/03)	
AB 817 Pacheco	<p>Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002: Water management. Appropriates \$15 million from Prop. 50 to the State Water Resources Control Board to finance the creation, coordination, and implementation of a statewide educational and outreach program related to water quality.</p> <p>Comments: The State Board has already determined that \$40 million should be available for the small community systems program under the Clean Water Act; an additional \$40 million would be available for nonpoint discharge water quality programs. This money has been included in the Governor's 2003-04 Budget. The remaining \$20 million would be available for a future fiscal year. ACWA opposes the bill because it is inconsistent with the State Board priorities, is outside of the Machado SB 21 stakeholder process, and would utilize Prop. 50 bond proceeds for an educational program that might not provide benefits for the entire 20-year period for retiring the debt incurred by the issuance of the bonds.</p>	<p>Int. 02/20/03 Location: Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials Status: Amended (04/21/03); Hearing cancelled at author's request (04/29/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Oppose</p>
AB 826 Jackson	<p>The Perchlorate Contamination Prevention Act. Requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control to establish an integrated perchlorate survey program. Mandates the Department to prepare an inventory of perchlorate facilities or suspected perchlorate release sites and report to the Legislature. Requires existing groundwater monitoring wells to be available for use as early warning or sentinel wells to warn of impending threat to drinking water resources. Instructs the Department to develop protocols and procedures for conducting groundwater monitoring or perchlorate sentinel wells. <i>Requires DTSC to adopt, by December 31, 2005 emergency regulations specifying management practices for persons managing perchlorate materials.</i></p>	<p>Int. 02/20/03 Location: <i>Senate Approp</i> Status: Amended (04/10/03, 05/07/03, 07/03/03); Passed Assembly Floor (06/02/03); <i>Passed Sen. Environmental Quality (07/08/03)</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
AB 859 Nakano	<p>Oceans. Requires the State Coastal Conservancy to develop an implementation plan that guides the development, funding, and operation of a network of regional, science-based ocean observing system for use throughout the state. Requires the Conservancy to report to the Governor, the State Legislature, and the State Water Resources Control Board on the plan by December 21, 2004.</p>	<p>Int. 02/20/03 Location: <i>Senate Approp</i> Status: Amended on 05/01/03, 06/01/03; <i>Passed Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife (07/08/03)</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch</p>

<p>AB 1107 Liu</p>	<p>Groundwater: uniform data standards. Requires an interagency task force, already created by the State Water Resources Control Board, to develop uniform groundwater data standards including standards for uniform data collection, data management, and data transfer. Requires the state board, the Department of Water Resources, the State Department of Health Services, the Department of Pesticide Regulation, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the Department of Food and Agriculture to adopt any standards that are developed pursuant to the bill.</p> <p>Comments: Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to integrate existing monitoring programs and design new program elements, as necessary, for the purpose of establishing a comprehensive monitoring program capable of assessing each groundwater basin in the state through direct and other statistically reliable sampling approaches, and to create an interagency task force composed of representatives of listed state agencies to identify actions necessary to establish the monitoring program and to identify measures that would increase coordination among state and federal agencies that collect groundwater contamination information.</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Assembly Appropriations Status: Passed out of Assembly Water, Parks, & Wildlife (04/22/03); Passed out of Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials (04/22/03); Held under submission (05/28/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Support ACWA Rec. Watch WRD Board: Support (04/16/03)</p>
<p>AB 1159 Liu</p>	<p>Groundwater data. Enacts the Groundwater Data Standards Act of 2003. Requires the state board, in consultation with a technical advisory group and other responsible agencies, to determine what constitutes core groundwater data, define structures and standards for core groundwater data, identify groundwater data collection standards, evaluate existing structures and standards for groundwater data, and user and custodian requirements, and propose standards for the storage and transfer of core groundwater data for comment by the public and the scientific community. The bill would require the state board, in consultation with the technical work group, to prepare and submit to the Governor and the Legislature a report that includes recommendations for groundwater database standards and for the collection and transfer of groundwater data.</p> <p>Comments: Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board, on or before March 1, 2003, to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature that includes a detailed description of a comprehensive groundwater quality monitoring program capable of assessing each groundwater basin in the state through statistically reliable sampling approaches. 2-year bill per author's office.</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Assembly Water, Parks & Wildlife (03/17/03) Status: Hearing cancelled at author's request</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Support ACWA Rec. Watch WRD Board: Support (04/16/03)</p>
<p>AB 1517 Plescia</p>	<p>Stormwater. States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would foster science-based, environmentally beneficial, results-oriented and cost-effective water quality programs that draw on the strengths of municipalities that administer stormwater permits and the state and regional water quality control boards.</p> <p>Comments: Sponsored by San Diego County. Bill is dead per San Diego's lobbyist.</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Status: Amended (04/07/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch</p>
<p>SB 21 Machado</p>	<p>Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002. Enabling legislation for implementing Prop. 50 Comments: Bill is dead per committee consultant. Language to be included in budget trailer bill.</p>	<p>Int. 12/05/02 Location: Senate Appropriations Status: Passed out of Senate Ag & Water (04/08/03); Amended 03/25/03, 04/09/03, 04/24/03; Passed out of Senate Environmental Quality (05/12/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Support ACWA: Favor if Amended WRD Board: Support (06/04/03)</p>

<p>SB 50 Sher</p>	<p>Bottled water: regulatory program. Expresses the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to apply regulations to bottled water and vended water products similar to those imposed on tap water. Regulations include the preparation of annual consumer confidence reports, annual inspections, assessment of fees to fund a bottled water regulatory agency administered by DHS. Comments: Supported by NRDC, East Bay MUD, and Clean Water Action. Would require bottled water companies, like Coca Cola and Pepsi who market their own branded water, to comply with more stringent requirements listed in Consumer Confidence Reports.</p>	<p>Int. 01/09/03 Location: Senate Rules (01/27/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Support ACWA: Watch WRD Board: Support (04/02/03)</p>
<p>SB 117 Machado</p>	<p>Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002: Colorado River Quantification Settlement Agreement. Establishes the Colorado River Quantification Settlement Agreement Account and transfers \$200 million from an unspecified fund of Prop 50 monies into the account for the purposes of facilitating the QSA transfers.</p>	<p>Int. 02/03/03 Location: Held at Assembly Desk (06/04/03) Status: Amended on 04/22/03, 05/08/03, 05/22/03, 06/02/03; Passed Senate Floor (06/04/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
<p>SB 196 Kuehl</p>	<p>California regional water quality control boards. Requires that the next member of the regional water quality control boards upon vacancy be a city Councilmember or mayor. Also specifies that the county government representative of the regional boards upon vacancy be a county supervisor.</p>	<p>Int. 02/13/03 Location: Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Status: Passed Assembly Floor (05/08/03); Hearing rescheduled at author's request to 07/01/03</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
<p>SB 214 Morrow</p>	<p>Waste discharge requirements: municipal separate storm sewer systems. Requires the State Water Resources Control Board and the regional water quality control boards to prescribe and enforce waste discharge requirements for municipal separate storm sewer systems to conform to the "maximum extent practicable" standard as set forth by the Clean Water Act.</p>	<p>Int. 02/13/03 Location: Senate Environmental Quality Status: Amended on 04/09/03; Hearing canceled at author's request (04/28/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
<p>SB 311 Sher</p>	<p>Environmental health: drinking water. Allows any person to request an external scientific peer review prior to the publication of a risk assessment if the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment has not submitted such assessment to an external scientific peer review. Requires an external peer review to be conducted for each initial draft risk assessment prepared by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA). Eliminates the provision that allows an interested party to request a peer review within 15 days of OEHHA's public workshop on the PHG document. Comments: This legislation was prompted by a recent Superior Court decision which required OEHHA to send its draft PHG for perchlorate out for an additional peer review after one had already been completed. <i>The additional peer review has further postponed the PHG process for perchlorate. The sponsor contends that this bill would prevent the PHG process from being delayed by unnecessary and duplicative peer reviews while still protecting stakeholders and the public by mandating an external scientific peer review. The bill simply codifies OEHHA's existing practice.</i></p>	<p>Int. 02/19/03 Location: Assembly Approp. Status: Amended on 07/03/03, 07/14/03; Passed Senate Floor (05/12/03); Passed Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials (07/10/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
<p>SB 318 Alpert</p>	<p>Urban water suppliers: desalinated water. Requires a plan to describe the opportunities for development of desalinated water, including but not limited to ocean water, brackish water, and groundwater, as a long-term supply.</p>	<p>Int. 02/19/03 Location: Assembly Approp</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch CMUA: Support</p>

	<p>Comments: Under current law, every urban water supplier must prepare and adopt an urban water management plan and update that plan at least once every 5 years. This bill would add desalination as a required element of the plan. Opponents argue that desalination should not be added until the Desalination Task Force submits its recommendations due by July 1, 2004.</p>	<p>Status: Amended on 04/08/03; Passed Senate Floor (05/08/03); <i>Passed Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife (07/01/03); Hearing canceled at author's request (07/16/03)</i></p>	
SB 411 Ducheny	<p>Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002: Quantified Settlement Agreement. Provides bond funds for environmental mitigation measures necessary to preserve the Salton Sea pending the implementation of the QSA. Comments: The bill significantly narrows the use of monies to the Wildlife conservation Board for the preservation of the Salton Sea. It is considered a placeholder should the QSA and all other actions gain all necessary approvals. The expenditure of Prop. 50 funds is one of the condition identified by the 4 parties as necessary to go forward on the proposed IID-San Diego water transfer. The proposed expenditure of Prop. 50 funds is not without controversy at this time.</p>	<p>Int. 02/20/03 Location: <i>Assembly Approp (suspense file)</i> Status: Amended on 04/10/03, 05/07/03, 07/02/03; Passed Senate Floor (06/02/03); Hearing on 07/01/03; <i>Passed Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife (07/01/03); Passed Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials (07/09/03)</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>
SB 479 Machado	<p>Water Transfers. Authorizes the Water Resources Control Board to approve a petition for a long-term transfer of water only if it determines that the proposed transfer would not cause substantial, negative third party impacts.</p>	<p>Int. 02/20/03 Location: Senate Ag & Water (03/06/03) Status: Hearing postponed by committee (04/22/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch</p>
SB 518 Escutia	<p>Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002. Requires agencies involved with administering Prop. 50 funding to consider adopting criteria that includes a preference for projects that benefit those areas with the highest population density and that face water supply shortages because their domestic water wells are located within 500 feet groundwater recharge areas, and projects that benefit severely economically disadvantaged areas or economically disadvantaged areas that will enhance environmental justice. Bill also exempts projects that benefit severely economically disadvantaged area from any matching fund requirements and prohibits administering agencies from imposing a matching fund requirement that exceeds 5% of the amount of grant awarded for a project that benefits an economically disadvantaged area.</p>	<p>Int. 02/20/03 Location: Senate Ag & Water Resources Status: Hearing postponed (04/22/03); Amended by author (04/08/03)</p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch CMUA: Watch</p>
SB 543 Machado	<p>Water rights: groundwater cleanup operations. <i>With certain exceptions, this bill prohibits the water produced from a groundwater cleanup operation from being used by the operator of a groundwater cleanup operation or from being transferred, assigned, or conveyed to a third party for use, until a replacement water supply has been provided to every groundwater right holder public water system injured by the contamination. Provides that no right shall vest in the operator of a groundwater cleanup operation solely by virtue of its extraction, treatment, and discharge of water from that operation.</i></p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Status: Amended on 03/28/03, 04/21/03, 05/22/03, 06/26/03; Passed Senate (06/02/03); <i>Hearing postponed</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch CMUA: Watch</p>
SB 750 Machado	<p>Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality, Flood Protection, and Water Reliability Act of 2004. Enacts the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality, Flood Protection, and Water supply</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: <i>Assembly</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch</p>

	<p>Reliability Act of 2004. Authorizes the issuance of \$5 billion in bonds to finance such programs. Comments: This is the next water bond bill.</p>	<p><i>Appropriations</i> Status: Amended (04/28/03, 05/12/03); Passed Senate Ag & Water (05/08/03); Passed Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife (05/27/03); <i>Passed Senate Environmental Quality (07/08/03)</i></p>	
SB 906 Escutia	<p>Water districts. Allows the GM or board authorized representative authority to sign contracts up to \$25,000; and approve and sign contracts up to \$10,000. Requires the West and Central Basin Municipal Water District to prepare a cost of service study.</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Assembly Appropriations Status: Amended on 04/10/03, 04/30/03, 05/13/03, 06/26/03; Passed Senate Floor (06/04/03); <i>Passed Assembly Local Government (07/02/03); Hearing rescheduled (08/20/03)</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Support ACWA: Oppose unless Amended WRD Board: Support (04/02/03)</p>
SB 922 Soto	<p>Cleanup or abatement orders: contaminated drinking water supplies. Clarifies existing law by explicitly authorizing the State Water Resources Control Board <i>or a regional board</i> to require a discharger to provide, or pay for, <i>the provision of, or payment for,</i> uninterrupted replacement water service to affected public water suppliers or private well owners.</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Status: Amended on 05/06/03, 06/02/03 07/21/03; Passed out of Senate Floor (06/04/03); <i>Passed Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials (07/02/03)</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Watch CMUA: Watch</p>
SB 923 Sher	<p>Water quality. Allows the state board or regional board to waive waste discharge requirements subject to conditions. The bill requires the conditions of the waivers to include payment of an annual fee and the performance of monitoring duties. <i>The funds generated by the payment of the fee would be deposited in the Water Discharge Permit Fund for expenditure, upon appropriation, by the appropriate regional board to pay for the costs of administering the waiver.</i> Comments: This bill presents potential benefits and costs. Potential negative operational impacts due to the elimination of the exception under existing law regarding the deposit of certain materials. Potential negative fiscal impacts due to the imposition of civil penalties if the discharger is not notified of a waste discharge violation. Potential benefits to water quality due to elimination of the exception under existing law regarding the deposit of certain materials. Potential increased costs for waivers for specific types of discharges. ACWA staff does not believe it is necessary to reduce flexibility in existing that provides authority to state board and a regional board. In addition, ACWA believes that an amendment regarding quarterly monitoring is not appropriate. The phrase “where appropriate” should</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Assembly Approp (suspense file) Status: Amended on 05/07/03, 06/04/03, 06/27/03; Passed out of Senate Floor (06/05/03); <i>Passed Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials (07/02/03)</i></p>	<p>Staff Rec: Watch ACWA: Oppose Unless Amended</p>

	be inserted so that certain discharges – hydrant flushing, for example – could maintain a waiver without a monitoring requirement.		
SB 998 Bowen	<p>California Economic Stimulus and Public Infrastructure. Enacts the California Economic Stimulus and Public Infrastructure Security and Investment Bond Act which would authorize the issuance of \$1.045 billion in state bonds.</p> <p>Comments: A total of \$80 million has been identified for water related infrastructure projects including \$20 million for the Contaminant Removal Program Subaccount. Loans and grants under the Contaminant Removal Program Subaccount may be used for pilot or demonstration projects for drinking water disinfection and removal of contaminants such as NDMA, perchlorate, arsenic, chromium, radionuclides, pharmaceuticals and endocrine disrupters. DHS administers the loans and grants under a competitive bidding process.</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Senate Governmental Organization (03/13/03)</p>	Staff Rec: Watch
SB 1000 Aanestad	<p>Beneficial use: extension of time. Declares the nonuse of water as a result of conservation as good cause to extend the period specified in a permit for application of appropriated water to beneficial use. Requires the state board to extend the time for application of the water to beneficial use.</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Senate Agriculture & Water (03/13/03) Status: Amended (03/26/03); Hearing cancelled at author's request (04/22/03)</p>	Staff Rec: Watch
SB 1004 Soto	<p>Perchlorate. Requires anyone discharging <i>or depositing</i> perchlorate into the waters of the state to immediately notify the State Water Resources Control board, with certain exceptions. <i>Requires the State Board, in consultation with the Department of Toxic Substances Control, to establish the amount of perchlorate that is required to be reported upon discharge.</i> Failure to notify would result in a civil penalty. Authorizes a county district attorney, city attorney, public water agency, or the State Attorney General to enforce the reporting provisions. Authorizes SWRCB to charge a fee to owner of storage facility. Requires SWRCB to compile and maintain information in central location available to the public. Requires companies who has possession of 500 or more pounds of perchlorate in the past 50 years to report it by 2005.</p>	<p>Int. 02/21/03 Location: Assembly Appropriations Status: Amended on 04/07/03, 05/01/03, 06/02/03, 07/14/03; Passed Senate Floor (06/04/03); <i>Passed Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials (07/10/03)</i></p>	Staff Rec: Watch CMUA: Support
SBX1 4 Comm. on Budget and Fiscal Review	<p>Waste discharge fees. Increases the waste discharge permit fees and the stormwater permit fees by removing the \$20,000 maximum.</p> <p>Comments: The additional amount raised from such increases in permit fees will be used to pay for the State Water Resources Control Board's core regulatory programs. Referenced programs are currently paid from of the General Fund.</p>	<p>Int. 01/27/03 Location: Assembly Budget (02/03/03) Status: Passed Sen. Budget and Fiscal Review (01/30/03); Ref. Assembly Comm. on Budget (02/03/03)</p>	Staff Rec: Watch