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May 22, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY
PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION FOR THE PROPOSAL AND
DETERMINATION TO PREPARE AN INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER
MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE INTENTION TO
DRAFT A GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING
ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY:**

Adopt the enclosed Resolution approving the proposal and determination to prepare an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan for the Antelope Valley and the intention to draft a Groundwater Management Plan for the Antelope Valley.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to approve the proposal and determination to prepare an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan for the Antelope Valley as a member of the Regional Water Management Group (RWMG) and the intention to draft a Groundwater Management Plan for the Antelope Valley as a member of the RWMG.

The RWMG consists of a coalition of the following 11 public agencies: Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley (District); Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency; Palmdale Water District; Quartz Hill Water District; Littlerock Creek Irrigation District; Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association; City of Palmdale; City of Lancaster; County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County; County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County; and Rosamond Community Services District.

The Plans will be prepared in accordance with State guidelines to provide a framework for local agencies to coordinate programs and projects intended to address regional water supply needs, protect and improve water quality, provide flood management, protect the environment, and establish a data management system to monitor the progress of these objectives.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility since preparation of the Plans in accordance with State guidelines will enable the District to apply for State and Federal grant funds to augment the funding sources of Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County's General Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Act of 2002, as codified in California Water Code §10530 through §10546, provides the framework for preparation of Integrated Regional Water Management Plans in the State. California Water Code §10541(a) requires publication of a notice of intention to prepare an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan in accordance with Government Code §6066 if three or more participants in the group propose to prepare the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan. Additionally, California Water Code §10541(b) requires a determination to prepare the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan after holding a public hearing.

The Groundwater Management Act, as codified in California Water Code §10750 through §10756, provides the framework for preparation of Groundwater Management Plans in the State. California Water Code §10753.2(b) requires that a

local agency adopt a resolution of intention to draft a Groundwater Management Plan after holding a public hearing.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Preparation of the Plans does not involve a commitment to any specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment. Therefore, the Plans do not constitute a project or approval of a project pursuant to Section 301 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines.

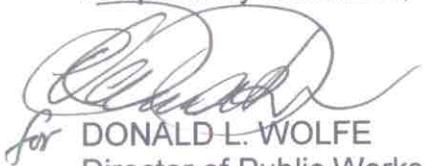
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no impact on current County services or projects as a result of this action.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval, please return one adopted copy of this letter and the enclosed Resolution to Public Works, Waterworks Division.

Respectfully submitted,


for DONALD L. WOLFE
Director of Public Works

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Enc.

cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY, ADOPTING THE PROPOSAL AND DETERMINATION TO PREPARE AN INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE INTENTION TO DRAFT A GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY

WHEREAS, California Water Code Division 6, Part 2.2, known as the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Act of 2002, and Division 6, Part 2.75, known as the Groundwater Management Planning Act, hereinafter collectively referred to as "ACTS", provide the framework for preparation of integrated regional water management plans and groundwater management plans in the State; and

WHEREAS, the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency; Palmdale Water District; Quartz Hill Water District; Littlerock Creek Irrigation District; Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association; City of Palmdale; City of Lancaster; County Sanitation District No. 14 of Los Angeles County; County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County; Rosamond Community Services District; and Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40; Antelope Valley, have established a Regional Water Management Group by means of a Memorandum of Understanding in accordance with the ACTS; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Water Management Group intends to collaboratively prepare an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan and a Groundwater Management Plan for the Antelope Valley, hereinafter referred to as "PLANS", that meet the requirements of the ACTS; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Water Management Group will solicit and incorporate input from all interested stakeholders in preparation of the PLANS; and

WHEREAS, the preparation of the PLANS is intended to improve the Antelope Valley's competitiveness for State and Federal funding including grants from Propositions 50, 84, and 1E for all members of the Regional Water Management Group.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, acting as the governing body of Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley, does hereby:

1. Propose to prepare an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan for the Antelope Valley as a member of the Regional Water Management Group;
2. Determine to prepare an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan for the Antelope Valley as a member of the Regional Water Management Group; and
3. Adopt the intention to draft a Groundwater Management Plan for the Antelope Valley as a member of the Regional Water Management Group.

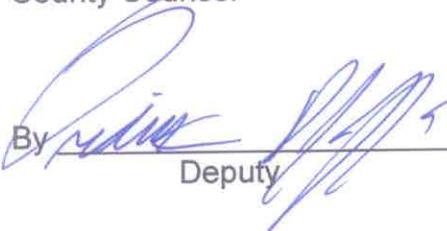
The foregoing Resolution was adopted on the ___ day of _____, 2007, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles acting as the governing body of the Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley.

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of
the County of Los Angeles

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.
County Counsel

By  _____
Deputy

INSTRUCTION SHEET FOR PUBLISHING
LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS

TO: Executive Officer
Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

FROM: Department of Public Works
Waterworks Division

**NOTICE OF INTENTION AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR PREPARATION OF
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT AND GROUNDWATER
MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY**

Publishing

The Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors shall cause the notice of intention and public hearing, in the form and manner specified in Section 6066 of the Government Code, to be published once a week for two successive weeks in the Antelope Valley Press, a newspaper published and circulated in the County of Los Angeles, which is hereby designated for that purpose.

Two publications in a newspaper published once a week or more often, with at least five days intervening between the respective publication dates not counting such publication dates, are sufficient. The period of notice commences upon the first day of publication and terminates at the end of the fourteenth day, including therein the first day. The last date of the publication must not be more than 15 days prior to the date of the public hearing.

Forward five reprints of the attached advertisement to the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Waterworks Division, P.O. Box 1460, Alhambra, California 91802-1460.

Should there be any questions regarding this matter please, contact Mr. Adam Ariki, of this office, at (626) 300-3302, Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR PREPARATION OF
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT AND GROUNDWATER
MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY**

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the Antelope Valley Regional Water Management Group (RWMG), will hold a public hearing on May 22, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., in the Hearing Room of the Board of Supervisors, Room 381, Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street (corner of Temple Street and Grand Avenue), Los Angeles, California 90012, in the matter of adopting a Resolution approving the proposal and determination to prepare an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan for the Antelope Valley and the intention to draft a Groundwater Management Plan for the Antelope Valley. The RWMG is a coalition of 11 public agencies with various interests on water-related issues formed by means of a Memorandum of Understanding in accordance with Section 10537 of the California Water Code.

The RWMG, with input from interested stakeholders, has determined that preparation of the Plans will improve the Antelope Valley's competitiveness for State and Federal funding including grants from Propositions 50, 84, and 1E for all members of the RWMG. The Plans will be collaboratively prepared in accordance with State guidelines to provide a framework for local agencies to coordinate programs and projects intended to address regional water supply needs, protect and improve water quality, provide flood management, protect the environment, and establish a data management system to monitor the progress of these objectives.

Preparation of the Plans involves a stakeholder process with over 45 stakeholders currently participating on behalf of Federal, State, County, and local government; water agencies, environmental groups, disadvantaged communities; and private businesses. You are encouraged to participate in the process by attending one of the regularly scheduled meetings held on the last Wednesday of every month at the City of Palmdale's Larry Chimbole Cultural Center from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors will consider and may approve this action as recommended by the Director of Public Works. For information regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Adam Ariki at (626) 300-3302 or visit the Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan website at www.avwaterplan.org.

Para mas informacion en relacion a esta noticia, favor de llamar al numero (626) 300-3314. Nuestra horas de oficina son de 7:00 a.m. a 5:45 p.m., de lunes a jueves.