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FROM: James A. Noyes
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DEVELOPMENT OF PROCEDURES TO IMPLEMENT SB 221 AND SB 610 BOARD MOTION OF MARCH 26, 2002, SYNOPSIS 38

On March 26, 2002, your Board approved a motion by Supervisor Don Knabe and another by Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, Synopsis 38 (copies attached), directing the Departments of Regional Planning and Public Works to work cooperatively with local and regional water entities to develop procedures to implement SB 221 and SB 610. Your Board also approved a motion by Supervisor Antonovich directing Public Works to investigate the status of subdivisions in the Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys and how SB 221 and SB 610 will affect projects in this area.

Background

Legislation (SB 221 and SB 610) was adopted with the expectation of strengthening processes that link the approval of land use development with the availability of adequate water supply. These two bills became effective on January 1, 2002. The intent of the legislation was to ensure water is available for new development, while at the same time protecting existing users. SB 610 requires water agencies to conduct water supply assessments for certain defined projects during the CEQA compliance process and amends certain provisions of the Urban Water Management Planning Act. It requires water agencies to provide additional information in Urban Water Management Plans for those agencies relying on groundwater. SB 221 requires water agencies to provide written verification of a sufficient water supply prior to subdivision approval. It also requires water agencies to submit a plan to acquire and develop additional supplies if supplies are deemed to be insufficient.

Task Force Formation and Membership

In response to your Board's motions, a broad-based Task Force representing interested parties was formed. The Task Force consists of representatives from the Departments of Regional Planning, Public Works, and County Counsel; local cities and water agencies; and environmental, development, and community interests. The Task Force met five times.

Implementation Strategy

Two forms have been developed for water purveyors in order to facilitate implementation of the provisions of the bills: (1) a Water Assessment Form (Attachment A) and (2) a Water Supply Verification Form (Attachment B). These forms provide verification from the water purveyors serving a proposed development regarding the adequacy of the water supply and provides the substantiating documentation confirming the supply. The forms and accompanying documentation will be submitted to the Department of Regional Planning during the discretionary review process. Regional Planning will submit these documents to Public Works for evaluation as to the adequacy of the documents and their conclusions.

In addition, the Task Force discussed a wide range of issues concerning implementation of these bills and identified potential inconsistencies between the bills and existing planning law.

Impacts on Developments Currently Being Processed in the Santa Clarita and Antelope Valleys

In response to Supervisor Antonovich's motion, it appears that there are currently four General Plan Amendments and Specific Plans impacted by SB 610. Two of these, as well as five other developments, will be impacted by both SB 221 and SB 610. These developments are identified in Attachment C. Prior to approval, each of these development projects must obtain certification from their respective public water purveyors certifying that there is a sufficient water supply to meet the projected water demands associated with the proposed project.

Interim Activities

Regional Planning's "One-Stop Counseling Center" will be providing applicants with advice regarding these new regulations and forms.

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Recommended Next Step

As a result of the implementation of SB 221 and SB 610, there will be additional costs associated with the review of these newly required water reports. Accordingly, the Departments of Public Works and Regional Planning will be submitting shortly to your Board an amendment to the Los Angeles County Ordinance related to the filing of subdivision fees and deposits to recover these new costs. Additionally, briefings will be taking place with the appropriate County officials and staff, including the Regional Planning Commission.

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Executive Office

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(Name of Water Purveyor)
REQUIRED WATER SUPPLY ASSESSMENT (WSA) (SB 610)
 Water Code § 10910 *et seq.*

Lead Agency

Applicant's Name and Address

Regional Planning Department
 County of Los Angeles
 1390 Hall of Records
 320 West Temple Street
 Los Angeles, CA 90012-3225

Project Information (Check all applicable uses)

Project Title: _____

Tract/Parcel Map No. _____ Regional Planning Case No. _____

- Q *Residential*: No. of dwelling units: _____
- Q *Shopping center or business*: No. of employees _____ Sq. ft. of floor space _____
- Q *Commercial office*: No. of employees _____ Sq. ft. of floor space _____
- Q *Hotel or motel*: No. of rooms _____
- Q *Industrial, manufacturing, or processing*: No. of employees _____ No. of acres _____
 Sq. ft. of floor space _____
- Q *Mixed use* (check and complete all above that apply)
- Q *Other*: _____
- Q Number of existing service connections _____
- Q Is this a project as defined by Water Code § 10912 _____ Yes _____ No

Water Supply Assessment (WSA) (see supporting documents)

Date when request for water supply assessment was received _____

1. Q The projected water demand for the project Q was Q was not included in _____
 _____ most recently adopted

 (name of water purveyor)
 Urban Water Management Plan dated _____.
2. Q A sufficient water supply **is** available for the project.
 The total water supplies available to _____

 (name of water purveyor)
 during normal, single-dry, and multiple-dry years with a 20-year projection will meet the projected water demand of the project in addition to the demand of existing and other planned future uses, including, but not limited to, agricultural and manufacturing uses.
 - a. Q A portion of the required water supply will be provided by projected water supplies. See attached plan [Water Code § 10631(h)].
3. Q A sufficient water supply **is not** available for the project. [Plan for acquiring and developing sufficient water supply attached. Water Code § 10911(a)]

The foregoing determination is based on the following Water Supply Assessment Information and supporting information in the records of _____

 (name of water purveyor)

Signature

Title

Date

Attach.

Supporting Documents (Check those that apply)

1. ☐ Urban Water Management Plan dated: _____
2. ☐ 20-Year Projection Water Supply Assessment addressing:
 - ☐ Normal year, single dry, and multiple dry years supply and demand
 - ☐ Proposed project water demand
 - ☐ Existing and planned future uses water demand
 - ☐ Existing Agricultural and manufacturing water demands using water not supplied by the public water system
 - ☐ Water supply entitlements
 - ☐ Water rights
 - ☐ Water service contracts
 - ☐ Quantity of water delivered in prior years to the water purveyor
 - ☐ Capital Outlay Program to finance the water delivery infrastructure
 - ☐ State, Federal, and Local Permits for construction of the water delivery infrastructure
 - ☐ Regulatory approvals in order to deliver the water supply
 - ☐ Other entities with entitlements, rights, or contracts to the same source of supply
 - ☐ Description of groundwater basin (if applicable)
 - ☐ Adjudication decree or order (if applicable)
 - ☐ Analysis to determine potential for overdrafting of the basin
 - ☐ Groundwater hydrology report
 - ☐ Info required by Water Code § 10631(b)(1)-(4)
3. ☐ Other documents as applicable
 - ☐ Reclaimed Water Master Plan
 - ☐ Integrated Water Resource Plan
 - ☐ Annual Water Report
 - ☐ Water Management Plan (for PUC regulated water purveyors)
 - ☐ County Sanitation District 2015 Master Plan
 - ☐ SCAG Documents:
 - ☐ RHNA
 - ☐ Transportation projections

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(Name of Water Purveyor)
REQUIRED WATER SUPPLY WRITTEN VERIFICATION (WV) (SB 221)
 Government Code § 66473.7 et seq.

Lead Agency

Applicant's Name and Address

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 Los Angeles, CA 90012-3225

**SUFFICIENT WATER SUPPLY WRITTEN VERIFICATION (WV) FOR RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISIONS
 (SB 221) AS DEFINED IN SECTION 66473.7(a)1 OF THE SUBDIVISION MAP ACT**

A. Lead Agency Information

1. Does the project include a subdivision as defined by Gov't. Code § 66473.7(a)(1)?
 9 yes (fill out form) 9 no
2. Does the development qualify for the urbanized area or low-income housing exemptions as defined in Gov't. Code § 66473.7(i)? 9 yes 9 no (fill out form)

Tract No.: _____ Number of Residential Lots: _____

B. Water Purveyor Information

1. Date when request for written verification was received _____
2. Number of existing active potable water service connections: _____
 10% of service connections: _____
3. Source of domestic water supply:
 Q Groundwater [if checked, provide information per Gov't. Code 66473.7 (h)]
 Q Surface Water
4. Number of additional proposed service connections: _____
 Est. Annual Use: _____ A.F.
5. Provide description of any impact to water availability for existing agricultural and industrial users that are using the same source of water [Gov't. Code 66473.7(g)].

L. Written Verification (Attach supporting documentation)

1. Q The projected water demand for the project Q was Q was not included in _____
 (name of water purveyor) most recently adopted
 Urban Water Management Plan dated _____.
2. Q A sufficient water supply is available for the project.
 The total water supplies available to _____
 (name of water purveyor)
 during normal, single-dry, and multiple-dry years with a 20-year projection will meet the projected water demand of the project in addition to the demand of existing and other planned future uses, including, but not limited to, agricultural and manufacturing uses.
 - a. Q A portion of the required water supply will be provided by projected water supplies. See attached plan [Gov't. Code 66473.7(d); Water Code § 1091].
3. Q A sufficient water supply is not available for the project. [Plan for acquiring and developing sufficient water supply attached. Water Code § 10911(a)]

The foregoing determination is based on the following Water Supply Assessment Information and supporting information in the records of _____
 (name of water purveyor)

Authorized Signature

Title

Date