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METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

August 24, 1993

To: Board of Directors (Executive Committee--Action)
From: General Manager
Subject: Contribution to the Six Agency Fund

Report

The Colorado River Board of California, a state agency established by the Legislature in 1937, is charged with protecting the rights and interests of the people of California in the water and power resources of the Colorado River. Metropolitan is represented on the Board.

The Six Agency Committee (Committee), whose primary function is support of the Colorado River Board, was created in 1950 by a joint powers agreement. It provides two-thirds of the Board's budget. The Committee is composed of representatives from the six major Southern California public agencies with Colorado River water and power contracts, including Metropolitan. The purpose of the Committee is to administer funds contributed by the represented agencies for purposes that will secure their rights and interests in the Colorado River system.

The Six Agency Fund is the legal mechanism through which the District contributes its share of these costs, which are prorated among the participating agencies. The fiscal year 1993-94 budget estimate is in the amount of \$1,179,000 which will provide this support. The District's proportionate share (44.4%) of the proposed budget is \$512,376.

The Six Agency Committee budget for 1993-94 shows a substantial increase (34%). While the operations portion of the budget is lower than last year (i.e., \$50,000 decrease in consulting services), the proposed budget includes an added \$350,000 line item for the Critical Habitat Study approved by the Six Agency Committee. The budget includes no carry-over or state refund, which have been reflected as credits against the proposed budget in previous years, because both were applied to the study.

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Sufficient funds are included in the District's 1993-94 fiscal year operation and maintenance budget to cover these costs. The approval of the budget was coupled with the finding of necessity pertaining to dissemination of information required by Section 126 of the Metropolitan Water District Act and approved by two-thirds vote of the Board. The recommendation made in this letter may be approved by a majority vote of the Board.

This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act because it will not have a substantial, or potentially substantial, adverse effect on the environment.

Board Committee Assignment

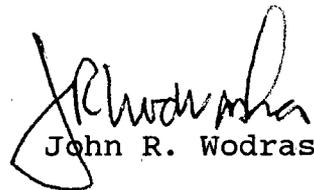
This letter was referred for action to:

The Executive Committee because of its jurisdiction over public information regarding matters affecting the District's interests and matters relating to the Colorado River Board of California, pursuant to Administrative Code Sections 2417(b) and 2417(d).

Recommendation

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR ACTION.

It is recommended that the Board authorize the General Manager to pay Metropolitan's share of the budget of the Six Agency Fund for fiscal year 1993-94 in the amount of \$512,376.



John R. Wodraska

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Attachment

SIX AGENCY FUND
 BUDGET ESTIMATE FISCAL YEAR 1993-94
 (in dollars)
 June 9, 1993

A. SUPPORT OF COLORADO RIVER BOARD BUDGET	Approved Budget FY 1991-92	Actual Budget FY 1992-93	Proposed Budget FY 1993-94
1. Colorado River Board Direct Support			
State Share (General Fund)	\$915,000	\$881,000	\$900,000
Six Agency Share	(223,000) 24.0%	(204,000) 23.0%	(195,000) 21.7%
	(692,000) 76.0%	(677,000) 77.0%	(705,000) 78.3%
2. Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum Support	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$31,000
State Share (CELPF)	(9,000) 36.0%	(10,000) 33.0%	(11,000) 35.0%
Six Agency Share	(16,000) 64.0%	(20,000) 67.0%	(20,000) 65.0%
3. Total Estimate Budget			
Colorado River Board	\$940,000	\$911,000	\$931,000
State Share	(232,000) 24.7%	(214,000) 23.0%	(206,000) 22.1%
Six Agency Share	(708,000) 75.3%	(697,000) 77.0%	(725,000) 77.9%
 B. ESTIMATED BUDGET REQUIREMENT			
1. Support of Colorado River Board Budget	\$708,000	\$722,000	\$725,000.00
2. Washington, D.C. Services	\$32,000	\$36,000	\$36,000.00
3. Consulting Services	\$60,000	\$80,000	\$30,000.00
4. Unscheduled Board Activities	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000.00
5. Computer, Replacement, Maintenance and Supplies	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000.00
6. 3% Reserve for Contingency	\$23,000	\$26,000	\$23,000.00
7. Endangered Fish Studies	\$0	\$0	\$350,000.00
ESTIMATED SIX AGENCY BUDGET	\$838,000	\$879,000	\$1,179,000.00
8. Estimated Carry-over	-72248	-50800	0
9. Refund from State	-61000	-65000	0
10. Over Assessment FY 1992-93	—	—	-25000
	\$704,752	\$763,200	\$1,154,000
C. TOTAL CONTRIBUTION (Estimated)			