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METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

March 15, 1994

To: Board of Directors (Engineering and Operations Committee--Action)
Board of Directors (Finance and Insurance Committee--Action)

From: General Manager

Subject: Appropriation No. 677 for \$498,000 to Finance Costs of Facility
Improvements Necessary to Comply with the Americans with
Disabilities Act of 1990

Report

The Americans with Disabilities Act was adopted in 1990 and California adopted the "California State Accessibility Standards" in March 1993. These Federal and State regulations deal with making public facilities more accessible to people with disabilities. Metropolitan must comply with these guidelines by January 1995.

Metropolitan retained a consulting firm, the La Canada Design Group, to evaluate access to all District facilities that are open to the public. This firm has prepared a report recommending architectural changes to improve access for disabled persons in public areas of 14 field facilities. The recommended changes include modifications to over 20 mens' and womens' restroom facilities, installation of proper indoor and outdoor directional signs, creation of appropriate parking stalls and modifications to several elevators including installation of new control panels.

Most of the necessary modifications will be performed by District forces. Contractors will be retained to perform the elevator modifications. The estimated cost of the project is \$498,000.

The proposed action is exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act under the State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 because it consists of minor alterations of existing facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing.

Board Committee Assignments

This letter is referred for action to:

The Engineering and Operations Committee because of its jurisdiction over the initiation, scheduling and performance of construction programs, pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2431(b); and

The Finance and Insurance Committee because of its jurisdiction over appropriations, pursuant to Administrative Code Section 2441(d).

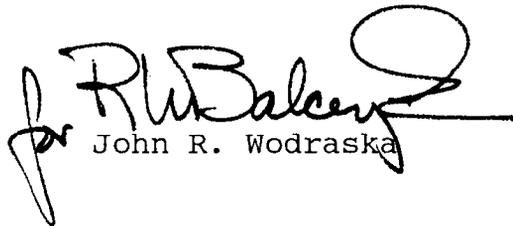
Recommendation

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE FOR ACTION

It is recommended that your Board authorize the General Manager to have all work performed, other than work to be performed under competitively bid contracts involving an expenditure over \$250,000 or more, for modifications to District facilities to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE FOR ACTION

It is recommended that your Board authorize Appropriation No. 677 in the amount of \$498,000 from the Pay-As-You-Go Fund to finance all estimated costs for the needed modifications to District facilities to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.


John R. Wodraska

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Attachment

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

A breakdown of the costs for facility improvements to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 is as follows:

	<u>Initial Funding</u>	<u>Total Project</u>
Labor and Additives	\$218,000	\$218,000
Materials and Supplies	70,000	70,000
Incidental Expenses	10,000	10,000
Equipment Use/Rental	--	--
Administrative Overhead	120,000	120,000
Contracts	30,000	30,000
Credits/Contingencies	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
Total	\$498,000	\$498,000

Source of Funds:

Pay-As-You-Go

Capital Program Fiscal Year 1994-95:

Estimated Program Cost	\$498,000
Projected Expenditure Fiscal Year 1993/94	\$250,000

Class:

One -- Projects required for health and safety or governmental requirements.

Projected Expenditure of Funds:

Through Fiscal year 1993/94	\$250,000
Through Fiscal year 1994/95	\$248,000

Project Benefit:

Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990