

• **Board of Directors**
Executive Committee

May 17, 2000 Board Meeting

8-3

Subject

Conditional (Informal) Approval for the Annexation of Greer Ranch Territory Concurrently to Eastern Municipal Water District (Eastern) and The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan), and Approval of the Resolution of Intent to Impose Water Standby Charges.

Description

Eastern requests conditional approval for annexation of Greer Ranch territory concurrently to Eastern and Metropolitan. Development plans for the vacant 162.95-acre territory within the City of Murrieta is the construction of a 308 single-family home community. Prior to the completion of the annexation, Eastern will pay an annexation fee of \$560,333.60 in full. The projected annual water demand on Metropolitan is 186 acre-feet per year. Eastern is also requesting that Metropolitan impose water standby charges within the proposed annexing territory. The attachments to this letter are available for review in the Executive Secretary's Office.

Policy

Territory may be annexed to Metropolitan upon terms and conditions fixed by the Board and in accordance with Chapter 1, Article 1, Sections 350 through 356 of Metropolitan's Act, and Division III of its Administrative Code.

Board Options/Fiscal Impacts

Option #1

- A. Approve Eastern's proposed Greer Ranch Plan for Implementing Water Use Efficiency Guidelines (Attachment 2);
- B. Subject to the approval of Option #1 A, grant conditional approval, as defined in Administrative Code 3100(b), for Greer Ranch Annexation concurrently to Eastern and Metropolitan; conditioned upon receipt in full of an annexation charge payment of \$560,333.60 to Metropolitan if subject annexation is completed by Dec. 31, 2000, or if completed after said date, at the then annexation current charge rate and conditioned upon compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act. (Attachment 1, detailed report); and
- C. Subject to the approval of Option #1 A and B, adopt the resolution of intention to impose water standby charges within the proposed annexation territory, substantially in the form of Attachment 3.

Fiscal Impact: Receipt of annexation fees (\$560,333.60) and water sales revenue from territory.

Option #2

Decline Greer Ranch Annexation:

Fiscal Impact: Unrealized fees and water sales revenue from non-annexed territory.

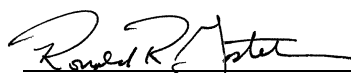
Staff Recommendation

Option #1.



Roy L. Wolfe
Acting Manager, Corporate Resources

4/6/2000
Date



Ronald R. Jester
General Manager

4/27/2000
Date