

- **Board of Directors**
Water Planning and Resources Committee

December 12, 2000 Board Meeting

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Subject

Adopt 2000 Regional Urban Water Management Plan and the **attached resolution** for submittal to State of California

Description

The Urban Water Management Planning Act (Act) of the California Water Code requires all retail and wholesale water purveyors with either 3,000 connections or 3,000 acre-feet of annual deliveries to submit an Urban Water Management Plan (Plan) once every five years. As required by the Act, staff has prepared a draft Regional Urban Water Management Plan (RUWMP). Metropolitan must submit its Board-adopted Plan to the State of California Department of Water Resources (DWR) by December 31, 2000.

Over the last year, Metropolitan staff has solicited input from member agency staff, held six regionally situated member agency workshops, and held two public hearings, one at the Board's November Water Planning and Resources Committee meeting. Comments from member agency staff and the public have been incorporated into the final RUWMP where appropriate. Copies of the RUWMP are available for Directors through the Executive Secretary's office.

In addition to fulfilling the requirements of the California Water Code, the RUWMP catalogs and reports on the progress Metropolitan has achieved in implementing the resource programs and management framework that came out of the 1996 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), the 1999 Water Surplus and Drought Management Plan (WSDM), and the Strategic Planning Process. The RUWMP will also assist as a starting point for the IRP Update process, scheduled for completion in summer 2001.

The actions recommended in this board letter are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because they involve the preparation of a Plan pursuant to the provisions of Section 10652 of the Water Code and are listed in Section 15282(w) of the State CEQA Guidelines as relating to other statutory exemptions.

Policy

Metropolitan is obligated under law to meet the requirements of the Act, California Water Code Division 6, Part 2.6, Urban Water Management Planning.

Board Options/Fiscal Impacts

Option #1

Determine that the recommended actions qualify for a Statutory exemption under CEQA and adopt the 2000 Plan and the **attached resolution** for submittal to the State of California by December 31, 2000 and comply with the Act of the California Water Code.

Fiscal Impact: none

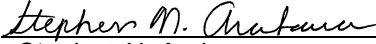
Option #2

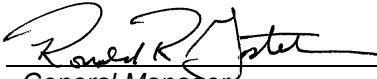
Determine that the recommended actions qualify for a Statutory exemption under CEQA and adopt the 2000 Regional Urban Water Management Plan and the **attached resolution** with identified changes at a later date prior to submittal to the State of California by December 31, 2000 and comply with the Urban Water Management Planning Act of the California Water Code.

Fiscal Impact: none

Staff Recommendation

Option #1.

 _____ Stephen N. Arakawa Manager, Water Resource Management	11/20/2000 _____ Date
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 _____ Ronald R. Jester General Manager	11/20/2000 _____ Date
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Attachment 1 -- Resolution of the 2000 Regional Urban Water Management Plan

BLA#417

RESOLUTION _____

RESOLUTION
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
APPROVING THE 2000 REGIONAL URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the California Urban Water Management Planning Act requires urban water suppliers to prepare and adopt an Urban Water Management Plan every five years on or before December 31, in years ending in five and zero; and

WHEREAS, the California Urban Water Management Planning Act specifies the requirements and procedures for adopting such Urban Water Management Plans; and

WHEREAS, Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California has duly reviewed, discussed, and considered such Urban Water Management Plan and has determined the 2000 Regional Urban Water Management Plan to be consistent with the California Urban Water Management Planning Act and to be an accurate representation of the water resources plan for the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California that, on December 12, 2000, this District hereby adopts this 2000 Regional Urban Water Management Plan for submittal to the State of California.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, at its meeting held on December 12, 2000.

Executive Secretary
The Metropolitan Water District
of Southern California