

- 8-3 Subject: Authorize entering into an agreement with Kern-Delta Water District to pay up to \$2.5 million from the Water Management Fund for improvement of the return reliability of the Kern-Delta Water District Water Management Program
- Presented by: James D. Bodnar, Manager, Water Acquisition Team
- Motion: Review and consider information provided in the adopted 2007 Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program and adopt the Lead Agency's findings, and authorize entering into an agreement with Kern-Delta Water District consistent with the terms outlined in the board letter and in a form approved by the General Counsel.
- Moved: Director Steiner Seconded: Director Touhey
- Ayes: Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, Calkins, De Jesus, Dick, Gray, Grisette, Lewinger, Morris, Peterson, Quinonez, Steiner, and Touhey.
- Noes: None
- Absent: Directors Camacho and Koretz.

The motion passed by a vote of 14 ayes, 0 no, and 2 absent.

Mr. Bodnar gave a presentation on the proposed agreement with Kern-Delta Water District that would improve the return reliability of the Kern-Delta Water Management Program by way of a 1,000-foot pipeline that would more effectively deliver Kern River water.

Staff responded to comments regarding guaranteed minimum take capability that is in the original agreement, waived fees returned to Water Management Fund, Carrier Canal capacity, size of Cross River Canal pipeline, marginal losses to Cross River Canal, and potential liability of transferring water out of the Kern River.

Director Camacho entered the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

- 8-10 Subject: Authorize General Manager to: (1) secure one-year water transfers with various Sacramento Valley water districts for up to 100,000 acre-feet of additional supplies; (2) secure storage and conveyance agreements with Department of Water Resources and various Sacramento Valley water districts to facilitate these transfers; and (3) pay up to \$71 million from the Water Management Fund for such transfers; grant final decision-making authority to the General Manager
- Presented by: Steve P. Hirsch, Manager, Water Transfer and Exchange Issues
- Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not defined as a project, and:

Mr. Tilkian gave an oral presentation on the Water Savings Incentive Program and a status update on the conversation programs. He focused on the projects, savings, and incentives of the Water Savings Incentive Program that was developed to serve the commercial and industrial community to save water within their business.

- b. Subject: Oral report on Water Supply and Drought Management Plan

Presented by: Demetri Polyzos, Sr. Engineer, Imported Water Supply Unit

Mr. Polyzos provided a two-part presentation on the current Water Surplus and Drought Management Plan. He discussed current calendar year water supply conditions and water management scenarios for 2015 and 2016.

Staff responded to questions relating to key assumptions in the report, median conditions, allocation levels, supply and demand scenarios, potential allocation scenarios, runoff estimates, dry year scenario, and flex storage payback.

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- a. Subject: Bay Delta Matters

Presented by Steve N. Arakawa, Manager, Bay-Delta Initiatives

Mr. Arakawa's report focused on the State Board proceedings regarding the Temporary Urgency Change Petition submitted by the Bureau of Reclamation and Department of Water Resources.

- b. Subject: Colorado River Matters

Presented by: Bill Hasencamp, Manager, Colorado River Resources

Mr. Hasencamp reviewed Metropolitan's exchange agreement with Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) and the payback terms associated with the agreement. He also reported on Colorado River activity.

Staff responded to questions regarding Colorado River system water reliability, and SNWA storage water in Lake Mead.

- c. Subject: Water Resource Management Manager's Report

Presented by: Deven N. Upadhyay, Manager, Water Resource Management

Mr. Upadhyay reported on multi-year market pool purchases.

7. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on April 13, 2015

Meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

David De Jesus
Chair