



Authorize Payments Totaling \$3.43 million to State Water Contractors

Water Planning and Stewardship Committee

Item 8-5

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Organization and Budget

- State Water Contractors (SWC) – Focus on policy, advocacy, and legal issues and project implementation
 - Pursue reliable and cost-effective management of the State Water Project (SWP)
 - Unified voice on SWP issues
 - Provide legal support
- \$3.43 million payment request is below MWD's approved FY 2019/20 budget of \$4.10 million

State Water Contractors

Established 1982



- 27 Members
 - 22 Urban contractors
 - 4 Agricultural contractors
 - 1 Urban and agricultural contractor
- 9 Board members

SWC Major Activities FY 2018/19

- Advanced cross delta conveyance options
- Dam safety
- San Luis Transmission Cost Control Project
- Coordinated Operations Agreement
- Delta science



SWC Major Initiatives FY 2019/20

- Delta Conveyance Project
- Amendments
 - Water management tools
 - Delta conveyance
- Subsidence
- Water operations evaluation
- Financial oversight
- State Water Project power activities



Metropolitan's Payments to SWC

\$3.43 million FY 2019/20



	SWC Total	MWD \$	Basis
	Dues Fund \$2.87M	\$1.21M	Table A and water delivery
	Bay-Delta Fund \$3.69M	\$1.15M	Table A with credit for staff contributions
	Delta Conveyance Project Fund \$1.00M	\$0.62M	Presumed participation in project
	Energy Fund \$0.37M	\$0.23M	Energy Use
	Municipal Water Quality Investigation * Based on MWD's FY 2019/20 budget	\$0.22M*	Table A of participating contractors

Summary

- Important organization that provides support and advocacy for the State Water Contractors
- Requested payment authorization amounts are less than budgeted
 - SWC - \$3.43 million
- Board approval by two-thirds vote required

Board Options

- Option #1

- By a two-thirds vote, authorize the General Manager to make payment of up to \$3.43 million to the SWC

- Option #2

- Do not authorize the General Manager to make a payment to the SWC

Staff Recommendation

- Option #1

