

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

2700 Foothill Boulevard, La Crescenta, California

**Agenda for the
Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Directors
of the Crescenta Valley Water District
to be held on January 22, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.**

Posted: January 18, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.

Any written materials distributed to the Board in connection with this agenda will be made available at the same time for public inspection at the District office located at the above address.

Call to Order and Determination of Quorum

Pledge of Allegiance

Adoption of Agenda

Public Comments

At this time the public shall have an opportunity to comment on any non-agenda item relevant to the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. This opportunity is non-transferable and speakers are limited to one three (3) minute comment.

Foothill Municipal Water District Report

1. Report on activities at Foothill Municipal Water District.

Consent Calendar

1. Consideration and approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting January 8, 2013.
2. Ratification of Disbursements for December 2012.

Action Calendar

The public shall have an opportunity to comment on any action item as each item is considered by the Board prior to action being taken. This opportunity is non-transferable and speakers are limited to one two (2) minute comment.

1. **FMWD/MWD Shutdown** – Discussion regarding the upcoming Foothill Municipal Water District/Metropolitan Water District shutdown scheduled for February 21-28, 2013.
2. **Storm Water Assessment Fee** – Discussion regarding the possible assessments to the District under the clean water fee proposed by Los Angeles County.
3. **Purchase of Used Meter Reading Vehicle** – Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to purchase a used meter reading vehicle from Municipal Maintenance Equipment at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.
4. **General Manager Compensation** – Discussion and possible motion in regards to the General Manager's compensation.

Information Items

Written Communications to District

Staff Reports

Secretary-Treasurer

1. Cash and Investments –January 22, 2013.

General Manager

1. Administrative Report.

District Engineer

1. Water Production Report –January 1 – 20, 2013.
2. Report on Administrative and Field Operations.

Program Specialist

1. Report on Water Conservation issues.

Attorney

1. Report on legal and related matters relevant to the District.

Reports of Committees

Engineering Committee

1. Report of Engineering Committee meeting held on January 18, 2013.

Finance Committee

1. Report of Finance Committee meeting held on January 22, 2013.

Employee Relations Committee

1. Consideration of employee relations issues affecting the District.

Policy Committee

1. Consideration of policy issues affecting the District.

Community Relations/Water Conservation Committee

1. Consideration of Community Relations/Water Conservation Committee.

Director's Oral Reports

Report on issues, meetings, or activities attended by Directors.

Closed Session

- **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (§54956.9)**
 - o Crescenta Valley Water District vs. Exxon Mobil et al.

Board Members' Request for Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

**CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
January 8, 2013**

Pursuant to the order of the Board of Directors of the Crescenta Valley Water District, made at the Regular Meeting of December 11, 2012, a Regular Meeting was held on January 8, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. at the District office at 2700 Foothill Blvd., La Crescenta, California, with President James D. Bodnar presiding.

At roll call, the following Directors and staff members were present:

Directors:	James D. Bodnar Kerry D. Erickson Kenneth R. Putnam Kathleen M. Ross Judy L. Tejada
Attorney:	James D. Ciampa
General Manager:	Dennis A. Erdman
Secretary-Treasurer:	Ron L. Mitchell
District Engineer:	David S. Gould
Others Present:	Mark Hass, IT Manager Christy Scott, Program Manager Wendy Holloway, Customer Accounts Supervisor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Bodnar opened the meeting by asking Director Erickson to lead the Board and staff in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was moved by Director Putnam, seconded by Director Erickson and carried by a 5-0 vote that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of January 8, 2013 be adopted as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

FOOTHILL MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REPORT – Mr. Atwater reported that there will be a Colorado River Tour on March 1-3, 2012. Also the FMWD Board Meeting will be on January 22, 2012. Later in the month they will send out for bids on the Emergency Generators Project, and will award the contract in March. He also said that staff met for a meeting with the Bureau of Reclamation regarding the Recycled Water Project. FMWD will be applying for Grants for the SCADA upgrades.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Director Ross, seconded by Director Tejada and carried by a 5-0 vote to approve the Consent Calendar which consisted of the following items:

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on December 11, 2012.

ACTION CALENDAR

PERS Side Fund – Mr. Mitchell reported on the District's contribution to the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS). In 2005 CalPERS established Risk Pools (Pool) where miscellaneous groups were separated from safety related groups. At that time actuarial valuations were used to determine the funding status of each member of the Pool and Side Funds were created for those that were under-funded to make all agencies in the Pool equal in terms of funding status. The District was determined to be under-funded by \$855,192 and was given the option to pay this amount or to spread out the payments over 20 years with interest rates equal to the CalPERS expected rate of return on investments which was 7.75% at that time. As of June 30, 2012 the District has paid \$112,141 in principal and \$486,741 in interest for a total of \$598,884. Over the next 12 years the District is scheduled to pay the remaining \$743,050 in principal and \$357,722 in interest totaling \$1,100,769. Staff met with the Finance Committee on December 10, 2012 to discuss this issue and it was reported to the full Board at the December 11, 2012 meeting. It was recommended by the Board to have staff prepare this for the agenda and bring back to the January 8, 2013 meeting for more discussion and possible action to use reserve funds to satisfy the debt immediately and consider options to replenish the reserve funds used to bring the reserves back to desired levels.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Putnam, seconded by Director Tejeda and carried a 5-0 vote to authorize staff to use reserve funds to pay off the CalPERS Side Fund.

Purchase of Used Meter Reading Vehicle – Mr. Erdman reported that a few months ago, the meter reader's vehicle, Unit #23 caught fire and was declared a total loss. Staff has been using the backup meter reading vehicle since the loss, but it is not reliable in the long term for meter reading. Staff has located a suitable replacement for this purpose from Municipal Maintenance Equipment located in Anaheim. The proposed substitute vehicle is a used "GO-4 Interceptor II". This is the same model as the vehicle that was destroyed. The proposed replacement is a 2006 model and the price is approximately \$19,000. These vehicles sell new for \$28,000. It is anticipated that the District will need a meter reading vehicle for at least five to seven years, depending on how long it takes to convert the water meters to some form of radio read capability. It is staff's recommendation for the Board to authorize the purchase of a used 2006 GO-4 Interceptor II from Municipal Maintenance Equipment for a cost not to exceed \$20,000.

Following discussion, the Board requested staff to get another quote, ask the vendor for a possible reduction in cost, check on a warrantee for a new vehicle, check on the maintenance records for Unit #23 and bring this information back to the next meeting.

Worker's Compensation Insurance – Mr. Mitchell reported at the December 11, 2012 meeting, the Board discussed the topic of the District's Worker's Compensation Insurance Program. The Board requested staff to bring back more information in regards to the nature of the injuries reported and what activities were being performed when the injuries occurred. Staff prepared a report for the Board that consists of date of injury, description of injury, activity being performed when injured and how many days away from work or on restricted duty for the past

four years. The Board has directed staff to talk to other agencies and see if they have wellness programs and how they do their training programs. The Board also requested staff to prepare another report to place identifiers to show multiple injuries for employees.

INFORMATION ITEMS – CV Weekly: Eagle Scout project at Pennsylvania and Encinal. Urban Water Institute: Spring Water Conference February 20-22, 2013, costs \$375.00 in Palm Springs. WEF Magazine: Conservation offers benefits, challenges for water and wastewater agencies. Newpress: \$4.9 million upgrade for Diederich Reservoir. Department of Water Resources: Increasing allocations for 2013. LA Times: Stormwater Parcel fee. WEF: Lower Colorado River Tour March 20-22, 2013, costs \$695.00 each.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO DISTRICT – None

REPORTS OF PERSONNEL

SECRETARY-TREASURER – Mr. Mitchell provided the Summary of Cash and Investment report which contained the following items:

Investment Portfolio Summary – as of January 8, 2013:

Cash Accounts	\$681,371
Great Pacific Securities	59
Bond Debt Service Fund Acct	\$212,905
Local Agency Investment Fund	\$1,574,604
Federal Farm Credit (78)	\$500,040
Federal Farm Credit (81)	\$1,014,080
Federal Farm Credit (83)	\$502,845
US Treasury (84) New	\$500,780
Federal Farm Credit (85)	\$603,414
Federal Farm Credit (86)	\$997,100
Federal Farm Credit (87)	\$499,870
US Treasury (88) New	\$750,000

Fund Balances at November 30, 2012

Water	\$5,030,189.39
Wastewater	\$3,272,239.61

GENERAL MANAGER – Mr. Erdman reported on the following employee anniversaries: Joe Huerta at 27 years, Dave Spain at 26 years and David Rawlings at 1 year. He also reported that he attended a meeting at FMWD to discuss the report from Cannon Engineering on the emergency generators. On Sunday December 30, 2012, two members of CVWD's stand-by crew responded to a call of a sewer overflow at a multi family residence. The overflow was caused by a blockage in the customer's sewer lateral. Our crew set up the Vactor to intercept the sewage overflow and direct it into the truck. Total time for CVWD crew members for this incident was 6 hours plus 3 hours of Vactor use.

DISTRICIT ENGINEER

Water Production – For the period of December 1 through December 31, 2012, water production averaged 94.9 million gallons per day, which is **5.6% less** than the daily average production of the same period in 2011. This is **8.4% less** from the daily average production of the previous five years.

Rainfall: December 1 – 31, 2012 3.71”
Season-to-date: 7.05”

Administrative and Field Operations – Mr. Gould provided a memorandum and discussed the following:

Rainfall Update – 3.71” for December 2012. Rainfall total for 2012-13 is at 7.05”.

Report on Engineering:

CIP Projects – Pipeline 3000 & 3100 Block of Santa Carlotta – Bids due January 30. Community Meeting – January 24 at 6pm. Ocean View Chlorination Station – Final Design – Advertising for Bids January 22, 2013.

Local Groundwater Assistance Grant Application – Application under review. Announcement – Mid January 2013.

Glendale – No Report.

FMWD Issues – 8-day MWD shutdown – Set for February 21, 2013. Coordination meeting – January 16, 2013.

ULARA – Administrative Committee Meeting – January 16, 2013.

Water Meter Replacement Program – Replaced 305 meters. Complete Meter replacement 1970-1977. Starting on 1978-1980.

Report on Administrative and Field Operations:

Well Status – Current well capacity – Average 3.2 MGD. Well 12 – Back in Service.

Booster Pumps – SCE out – Pump Efficiency Testing.

Glenwood Nitrate Plant – No Report.

Water Quality – No Report.

Mills Plant – No Report.

Reservoirs/Booster Stations – No Report.

MTBE Update – MTBE levels in Wells below 1ppb.

Field Maintenance and Operations update for December 18 – 31, 2012

Water lateral leaks & repairs

- 2520 Upper Terrace
- 2414 Teasley

Water Main Leaks – No Report.

Fire Hydrant Replacement – No Report.

Developers Projects – No Report.

Valve Replacement – No Report.

General Maintenance – Valve Exercising Program.

SCADA/Telemetry System – Purchased small portable generators.

Sewer Maintenance – Continue with sewer cleaning.

WATER CONSERVATION – Ms. Scott reported that CVWD uses most of the rebate money of all the sub-agencies, but this has not been a remarkable year for rebates. The Pipeline has increased interest in the turf rebate program. In the past calendar year, the water usage for the 2020 regulations SB7 has increased to 115 gpcd which is well below the District's 2020 target of 140.1 gpcd.

ATTORNEY – No Report

Engineering Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee will meet on January 18, 2013 at 8 am.

Finance Committee – Director Tejeda reported that the Committee will meet on January 22, 2013 at 3:30 pm.

Employee Relations Committee – Director Erickson reported that the Committee had not met; however a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Policy Committee – Director Putnam reported that the Committee had not met; however a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Community Relations/Water Conservation Committee – Director Ross reported that the Committee had not met; however a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Emergency Planning Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee had not met; however a meeting will be scheduled as needed.

DIRECTORS ORAL REPORTS

Director Ross – reported that she attended an event at Crescenta Valley Park and was amazed at the Dog Park and the role CVWD played to make it successful. Dean Wiberg, FMWD Director, asked her about CVWD's opinion on the Emergency Generator project at Foothill.

Director Bodnar – reported that the State Water Project is up to 40%. He attended the FMWD Board Meeting on December 17, 2012. Mr. Bodnar states that Mr. Erdman did a good job expressing our concerns in regards to the Emergency Generator location, but there is no change in the location. Director Bodnar said the District needs to watch the potential FMWD/Glendale connection which provides no benefit for us and has a potential to raise our costs and reduce reliability. He attended the CVTC meeting and said it was one of the shortest meetings he has been to. He is continuing his online training and completed 31 of 80 courses.

Director Erickson – reported that he went and helped with the Eagle Scout project at Pennsylvania and Encinal. There were 12- 15 scouts and parents helping. He is concerned about weed infiltration.

Director Putnam – reported that he attended the CVTC meeting with Director Bodnar, and Director Erickson. He would like a member of the staff or Board to attend the CVTC meetings and report on CVWD activities.

Director Tejeda – reported that she is willing to work with Directors and staff to attend 1-2 FMWD Board meetings a year and asked about Directors rotating and attending the FMWD Board meetings. President Bodnar would like Directors to be more visible at community functions and CVTC meetings and Director Tejeda stated that she will try to attend the February 18, 2013 FMWD Board meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

No Reportable Action

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, at 9:00 p.m., it was moved by Director Erickson, seconded by Director Tejeda and carried by a 5-0 vote that the meeting be adjourned to January 22, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED

James D. Bodnar
President

Ron L. Mitchell
Secretary-Treasurer

CASH DISBURSEMENTS LIST

DECEMBER 2012



Check#	Check Date	Payable To	Description	Amount
Fund: 01 Water				
0	12/19/2012	Southern California Edison Co.	Power Purchased 12/2012	19,077.29
27153	12/3/2012	Blue Soda Promo, Inc.	Deposit for Water Conservation Giveaways	4,775.00
27154	12/3/2012	Burke, Williams, & Sorensen, LLP	Legal Services	243.38
27155	12/3/2012	Charter Communications	Internet & Cable Service Glenwood	3,643.41
27156	12/3/2012	Choice Pest Control	Monthly Maintenance	72.00
27157	12/3/2012	City of Glendale Water & Power	Power Purchased 11/2012	32,107.72
27158	12/3/2012	E & R Construction, Inc.	E-823 Pressure Reducing Station - E-907 5100 Blk Maryland	129,442.50
27159	12/3/2012	Logan Supply Co. Inc	Reed Meter Pit Pump	48.85
27160	12/3/2012	Christina Olmedo	Mileage Reimbursement	40.96
27161	12/6/2012	Stephen P. Korejwo	IT Support 11/2012	1,012.50
27162	12/10/2012	ACV Systems, LLC	Adjust new PRV E-823, repair La Canada intertie valve	2,830.61
27163	12/10/2012	All American Landscape Co.	Monthly Landscaping Main Office	292.50
27164	12/10/2012	Ameripride Uniform Services, Inc	Uniform Rentals 11/2012	323.13
27165	12/10/2012	Anawalt Lumber & Materials Co.	Misc Hardware for 11/2012	144.10
27166	12/10/2012	Aqua - Metric Sales, Co.	Cost for one thousand 3/4" Sensus IPEARL water meters	139,961.25
27167	12/10/2012	Arrowhead Mountain Spring Water	Distilled Water	56.90
27168	12/10/2012	Associated Soils Engineering	E-823 Pressure Reducing Station - E-907 5000 Blk Maryland	1,040.00
27169	12/10/2012	BC Laboratories, Inc	Water Analysis	975.00
27170	12/10/2012	BC Laboratories, Inc	Water Analysis	1,006.50
27171	12/10/2012	Melvin L. Blevins	M-781 - Consulting MTBE	600.00
27172	12/10/2012	Brithinee Electric	Cost to clean, inspect and repair motor	1,390.52
27173	12/10/2012	CA Air Resources Board - Perp Ren	Permit for Generator Unit 41	825.00
27174	12/10/2012	California Truck Equipment Company	Replace pullrod & rope for tarp on Unit 25	285.47
27175	12/10/2012	California Water Environment	Operator Certification Renewal for Raymond Dodge	75.00
27176	12/10/2012	Charles Z. Fedak & Company	Services for 11/2012	430.00
27177	12/10/2012	City of Glendale Permits	Water System Fees	2,143.72
27178	12/10/2012	Civil Environmental Survey Group Inc.	Water Analysis MTBE	5,460.00

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27179	12/10/2012	Civiltec Engineering Inc	E-733CS Chloramination and Metering Ocean View	822.50
27180	12/10/2012	Crescenta Valley Tow Service	Tow Unit 23 from Markridge to Plant	37.50
27181	12/10/2012	Do-it Center	Misc Hardware 11/2012	20.02
27182	12/10/2012	Eurofins Eaton Analytical Inc.	Water Analysis	456.00
27183	12/10/2012	Falcon Car Care Corp.	Cost to fix brakes and balance tires on Unit 9	232.50
27184	12/10/2012	First Choice	Coffee Service Plant	196.53
27185	12/10/2012	Hercules Portable Power, Inc	Semi Annual Service for Diesel Generators	1,140.00
27186	12/10/2012	LA Dept Water and Power	Power Purchased	39.27
27187	12/10/2012	Lock-Up Inc.	Cost to install heavier duty wheels on south gate at Plant	869.90
27189	12/10/2012	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Misc Parts 11/2012	14.98
27190	12/10/2012	Office Depot - Credit Plan	Misc Supplies 11/2012	215.59
27191	12/10/2012	Orchard Supply Hardware	Misc Hardware 11/2012	649.48
27192	12/10/2012	Paper Cuts, Inc	Paper Shredding	3.75
27193	12/10/2012	Rassac Air Systems	AC Maintenance Mills House	180.00
27194	12/10/2012	Rush Truck Center of Cal Inc,	Cost to perform routine maintenance on Unit 18	741.65
27195	12/10/2012	Steven Engineering Inc.	Phoenix Socket	470.45
27196	12/10/2012	Sully-Miller Contracting Co.	8 tons of cold mix	812.51
27197	12/10/2012	The Gas Company	Gas Purchased 11/2012 Plant	77.86
27198	12/10/2012	Vision Service Plan Co-(CA)	Vision Insurance	224.07
27199	12/10/2012	Waste Management - Sun Valley	Disposal Service Plant	537.75
27200	12/10/2012	Water Environment Federation	Membership Renewal Dennis Erdman	228.00
27201	12/10/2012	Water Well Redevelopers Inc	E-912 Well 12 Rehabilitation	3,350.00
27202	12/10/2012	Western Water Works	Two 6" x 1" service saddles	334.30
27203	12/10/2012	Cory Whitman	Reimbursement for Jeans	89.89
27204	12/12/2012	So Cal Water Utilities Assoc.	Christmas Luncheon	175.00
27205	12/14/2012	Acme Wiping Materials	4 boxes of rags	127.00
27206	12/14/2012	ACWA/JPIA	Health & Dental Coverage for 01/2013	33,091.89
27207	12/14/2012	Aflac	Employee contribution	1,174.72
27208	12/14/2012	BC Laboratories, Inc	Water Analysis	4,374.00
27209	12/14/2012	CalPers	Employee Paid Insurance 11/2012	8,321.41
27211	12/14/2012	Coastline Supplies	Cost for new regulated hoses and adapter	5,048.54
27212	12/14/2012	E & R Construction, Inc.	Refund for Flooding Meter Deposit	975.00
27213	12/14/2012	Kerry Erickson	ACWA Conference San Diego Reimbursement	278.07
27214	12/14/2012	Foothill Municipal Water	Water Delivery	168,648.45

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27215	12/14/2012	Pete Hilke	Mileage Rembursement 11/2012	21.65
27216	12/14/2012	Salley Holmes	Turf Rebate	585.00
27217	12/14/2012	Home Depot Credit Services	Misc Hardware 11/2012	152.38
27218	12/14/2012	Hutchinson & Bloodgood	Compton Consulting 11/2012	135.00
27219	12/14/2012	Seok Jo	Turf Rebate	1,350.00
27220	12/14/2012	Lagerlof, Senecal, Gosney & Kr	Legal Services 11/2012	4,275.40
27221	12/14/2012	Ramco	Misc Base 11/2012	1,428.38
27222	12/14/2012	Richter Roofing Co., Inc.	Cost to roof Edmund #1 Reservoir Booster	1,170.00
27223	12/14/2012	Royal Wholesale Electric	Wire for intrusion alarms at Oak Creek Reservoir	980.77
27224	12/14/2012	Mary Jo Salera	Refund Check	210.09
27225	12/14/2012	Sawyer Petroleum	500 gallons of clear diesel fuel for Glenwood	1,498.47
27226	12/14/2012	Pam Scott	Turf Rebate	1,600.00
27227	12/14/2012	Secretary of State	Finance Corp. Statement of Information Filing	20.00
27228	12/14/2012	Patricia Smith	Turf Rebate	945.00
27229	12/14/2012	Star Brite Bldg. Maintenance Inc	Janitorial Services 12/2012	618.75
27230	12/14/2012	Tri-Xcutex Corp	Check Security Alarms Plant and Office	136.96
27231	12/14/2012	Univar USA Inc	1334 gallons of sodium hypochlorite for Mills Plant	2,218.81
27232	12/14/2012	Western Water Works	Handwheel for meter test bench	7,620.76
27233	12/14/2012	Johnny Wong	Turf Rebate	1,575.00
27234	12/17/2012	U.S.A. Forklift LLC	Forklift Training for David Rawlings	30.00
27235	12/17/2012	U.S.A. Forklift LLC	Forklift Training for Cesar Avila	30.00
27236	12/18/2012	Larry Byers	Dental/Vision Reimbursement	110.87
27237	12/18/2012	Christy Joana Scott	Health Reimbursement	561.74
27238	12/18/2012	Lynne Sovich	Health Reimbursement	293.76
27240	12/19/2012	Airgas USA, LLC	Monthly Cylinder Rental	306.11
27242	12/19/2012	AT&T	PRI Line 12/2012	1,720.43
27243	12/19/2012	BC Laboratories, Inc	Water Analysis	1,699.50
27244	12/19/2012	CSG Systems, Inc	Printing & Postage Controls 1-4	1,447.96
27245	12/19/2012	Eurofins Eaton Analytical Inc.	Water Analysis	176.00
27246	12/19/2012	General Pump Company, Inc	E-913 Rehabilitation of Booster 23	28,535.40
27247	12/19/2012	HSBC Business Solutions	Misc Supplies	197.14
27248	12/19/2012	Lance Allen Company, Inc	Cost for Copies 09/15/12 to 12/14/12	762.67
27249	12/19/2012	Lincoln Financial Group	Long Term Disability 01/01/13 to 01/31/13	669.55
27250	12/19/2012	Dennis A. Maxwell, Jr	Reimbursement for Jeans	114.90

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27251	12/19/2012	McCall's Meter Sales & Service	Cost to repair Vessel #300 raw water inlet	2,049.70
27252	12/19/2012	New Image Landscape & Design	Monthly Landscape	827.50
27253	12/19/2012	Shell	Gas Purchased 11/2012	1,666.24
27254	12/19/2012	Vulcan Materials Company	Mixed Bobtail	900.00
27255	12/19/2012	Lori Waldinger	Turf Rebate	1,600.00
27256	12/19/2012	Water Well Redevelopers Inc	E-912 Well 12 Rehabilitation	795.00
27257	12/19/2012	Water Wise Consulting, Inc	Water Audits	525.00
27258	12/19/2012	Wells Fargo Card Services	Gould: AWWA Mgmt Conf-Phoenix (reg, air); backflow course (Byers, H	2,410.54
27259	12/19/2012	Wells Fargo Card Services	Hass: SCADA hardware; computer hardware; mo. recurring chgs	1,592.83
27260	12/19/2012	Wells Fargo Card Services	Mitchell: Calpelra Conf. (meals, car rental, gas, parking)	256.08
27261	12/19/2012	Wells Fargo Card Services	Scott: Refreshments for confined space class & smart gardening class	285.10
27262	12/19/2012	Western Water Works	1" Drain Valve for Cal Tank	2,246.79
27263	12/19/2012	Wil-Power Battery & DC Special	Cost for spare UPS batteries.	142.90
27264	12/19/2012	Galpin Ford Inc.	F-550 truck to replace Unit #20	40,757.31
27265	12/20/2012	Larry Byers	Backflow Certification Bonus	400.00
Total for Fund:01 Water				701,915.33
Fund: 02 Wastewater				
0	12/19/2012	Southern California Edison Co.	Power Purchased 12/2012	236.58
27154	12/3/2012	Burke, Williams, & Sorensen, LLP	Legal Services	81.12
27155	12/3/2012	Charter Communications	Internet & Cable Service Glenwood	1,214.47
27156	12/3/2012	Choice Pest Control	Monthly Maintenance	24.00
27157	12/3/2012	City of Glendale Water & Power	Power Purchased 11/2012	11.07
27161	12/6/2012	Stephen P. Korejwo	IT Support 11/2012	1,012.50
27163	12/10/2012	All American Landscape Co.	Monthly Landscaping Main Office	97.50
27164	12/10/2012	Ameripride Uniform Services, Inc	Uniform Rentals 11/2012	107.71
27165	12/10/2012	Anawalt Lumber & Materials Co.	Misc Hardware for 11/2012	48.03
27174	12/10/2012	California Truck Equipment Company	Replace pullrod & rope for tarp on Unit 25	95.16
27176	12/10/2012	Charles Z. Fedak & Company	Services for 11/2012	430.00
27180	12/10/2012	Crescenta Valley Tow Service	Tow Unit 23 from Markridge to Plant	12.50
27183	12/10/2012	Falcon Car Care Corp.	Cost to fix brakes and balance tires on Unit 9	77.50
27184	12/10/2012	First Choice	Coffee Service Plant	196.52
27187	12/10/2012	Lock-Up Inc.	Cost to install heavier duty wheels on south gate at Plant	289.97

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27188	12/10/2012	Microflex Corporation	Four cases of latex gloves for sewer cleaning crew	530.04
27189	12/10/2012	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Misc Parts 11/2012	21.29
27190	12/10/2012	Office Depot - Credit Plan	Misc Supplies 11/2012	180.08
27191	12/10/2012	Orchard Supply Hardware	Misc Hardware 11/2012	539.31
27192	12/10/2012	Paper Cuts, Inc	Paper Shredding	1.25
27193	12/10/2012	Rassac Air Systems	Maintenance Mills House	60.00
27194	12/10/2012	Rush Truck Center of Cal Inc,	Cost to perform routine maintenance on Unit 18	247.22
27197	12/10/2012	The Gas Company	Gas Purchased 11/2012 Plant	25.95
27198	12/10/2012	Vision Service Plan Co-(CA)	Vision Insurance	149.37
27199	12/10/2012	Waste Management - Sun Valley	Disposal Service Plant	179.25
27203	12/10/2012	Cory Whitman	Reimbursement for Jeans	29.96
27205	12/14/2012	Acme Wiping Materials	4 boxes of rags	127.00
27206	12/14/2012	ACWA/JPIA	Health & Dental Coverage for 01/2013	22,061.26
27209	12/14/2012	CalPers	Employee Paid Insurance 11/2012	5,547.61
27210	12/14/2012	City of Los Angeles	Sewerage Facilities Charge	10,095.15
27213	12/14/2012	Kerry Erickson	ACWA Conference San Diego Reimbursement	92.69
27215	12/14/2012	Pete Hilke	Mileage Remibursement 11/2012	5.55
27217	12/14/2012	Home Depot Credit Services	Misc Hardware 11/2012	117.96
27218	12/14/2012	Hutchinson & Bloodgood	Compcon Consulting 11/2012	45.00
27220	12/14/2012	Lagerlof, Senecal, Gosney & Kr	Legal Services 11/2012	1,075.00
27225	12/14/2012	Sawyer Petroleum	500 gallons of clear diesel fuel for Glenwood	499.49
27229	12/14/2012	Star Brite Bldg. Maintenance Inc	Janitorial Services 12/2012	206.25
27230	12/14/2012	Tri-Xecutex Corp	Check Security Alarms Plant and Office	45.65
27234	12/17/2012	U.S.A. Forklift LLC	Forklift Training for David Rawlings	10.00
27235	12/17/2012	U.S.A. Forklift LLC	Forklift Training for Cesar Avila	10.00
27236	12/18/2012	Larry Byers	Dental/Vision Reimbursement	73.91
27237	12/18/2012	Christy Joana Scott	Health Reimbursement	374.50
27238	12/18/2012	Lynne Sovich	Health Reimbursement	195.84
27239	12/19/2012	ADS, LLC	Monthly Monitoring	1,015.00
27240	12/19/2012	Airgas USA, LLC	Monthly Cylinder Rental	306.10
27241	12/19/2012	American Van Equipment, Inc.	Interior lights for overflow trailer Unit 32	208.09
27242	12/19/2012	AT&T	PRI Line 12/2012	571.85
27244	12/19/2012	CSG Systems, Inc	Printing & Postage Controls 1-4	1,447.95
27247	12/19/2012	HSBC Business Solutions	Misc Supplies	197.12

Check#	Check Date	Payable To	Description	Amount
27248	12/19/2012	Lance Allen Company, Inc	Cost for Copies 09/15/12 to 12/14/12	762.66
27249	12/19/2012	Lincoln Financial Group	Long Term Disability 01/01/13 to 01/31/13	446.37
27250	12/19/2012	Dennis A. Maxwell, Jr	Reimbursement for Jeans	38.30
27252	12/19/2012	New Image Landscape & Design	Monthly Landscape	152.50
27253	12/19/2012	Shell	Gas Purchased 11/2012	555.41
27259	12/19/2012	Wells Fargo Card Services	Hass: SCADA hardware; computer hardware; mo. recurring chgs	225.02
27260	12/19/2012	Wells Fargo Card Services	Mitchell: Calpelra Conf. (meals, car rental, gas, parking)	85.37
27261	12/19/2012	Wells Fargo Card Services	Scott: Refreshments for confined space class & smart gardening class	51.94
			Total for Fund:02 Wastewater	52,544.89
			Grand Total	754,460.22

PAYROLL REPORT
December-12

Directors.....	\$	1,080
Office Regular Payroll.....	\$	112,257
Vacation/Sick Pay Out.....	\$	31,020
Plant Regular Payroll.....	\$	108,246
Vacation/Sick Pay Out.....	\$	8,828
Employer Payroll Taxes.....	\$	14,531
Payroll Service Charges.....	\$	432
Total.....	\$	<u>276,394</u>

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No. 1
January 22, 2013

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: Christy J. Scott – Program Specialist
Subject: Discussion on the District's plan for the February 2013 FMWD/MWD Imported Water Shutdown

ACTION ITEM:

FMWD/MWD Shutdown – Discussion regarding the upcoming Foothill Municipal Water District/Metropolitan Water District shutdown scheduled for February 21-28, 2013.

BACKGROUND:

From February 21st to February 24th, 2013, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) will shut down its F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant in La Verne to make needed reliability upgrades, prepare the plant for ozone treatment, and inspect structures that are inaccessible when the plant is in service.

This shutdown also includes an additional four (4) days (February 25th – February 28th, 2013) for the inspection and maintenance of the Upper Feeder pipeline and the replacement of the slide gates at MWD's Eagle Rock facility.

This MWD shutdown will impact 1.7 million customers stretching from La Crescenta to Claremont including FMWD, Pasadena and other local agencies. However, the shutdown will not impact the City of Glendale or the City of Los Angeles.

The District purchases imported water from MWD through Foothill Municipal Water District (FMWD) to supplement and blend with local groundwater.

Water Supply & Demand:

CVWD's water supply is typically a ratio of 60% local groundwater and 40% imported water on an annual basis. In February, which is usually a low demand month, the ratio of local groundwater to imported water usually averages 67% to 33%.

With the low demand in February, CVWD has imported an average of 1.2 MGD of water from FMWD and 2.5 MGD from local groundwater for an average total customers' demand of 3.7 MGD.

In 2004 the District constructed an emergency water supply interconnection with the City of Glendale. This interconnection allows the District to obtain water from the City of Glendale for emergency purposes. During the shutdown period, Glendale has stated that the District would be able to take the maximum amount of 5 cfs, which is approximately 3.2 MGD.

DISCUSSION:

The District does not anticipate any water supply difficulties during the FMWD/MWD shutdown, as past water demands in February have averaged 3.7 MGD and current daily groundwater production is 3.4 MGD and the Glendale interconnection can provide 3.2 MGD, which will be for blending and any emergency conditions. Therefore, CVWD should be able to meet average daily demands with its current water supply.

In addition, CVWD has been working with La Canada Irrigation District (LCID) on providing water during the shutdown. The District anticipates supplying a small amount of water to LCID, 0.20 cfs or 100 gpm or 0.13 MGD during the latter part of the shutdown period.

Public Outreach:

The impact of the FMWD/MWD shutdown varies from agency to agency; however, the Foothill water agencies as well as Pasadena Water and Power have agreed upon a unified message to the Community during this shutdown period.

The Foothill Agencies will move to the **Red or Critical Water Alert Condition** and Pasadena Water and Power will be requesting their City Council to declare a water emergency. This will ensure that reservoirs and local supplies will not be drawn down and available for emergencies.

The **Red or Critical Water Alert Condition** means that no outdoor irrigation will be permitted and residents are encouraged to conserve indoor water use. Besides no outdoor watering, critical alert restrictions include no hand-washing vehicles, filling swimming pools or spas during the eight days. Other water-saving measures include running only full loads in washing machines and dishwashers, keeping showers to a maximum of 5 minutes and not leaving the water running while brushing teeth or shaving.

Steps the District will be taking towards Public Outreach are:

1. Press releases
2. Message on bill
3. Article in Pipeline (direct mailer)
4. Meet with the Town Council (Complete, Thanks James and Dennis)
5. Meeting with Caltrans, Parks, and Schools
6. Display red flags and signs throughout the District's service area
7. Flyers at various locations (Library, OSH, Ralphs)
8. Possibility of flyer in local elementary schools' "Thursday Folder"
9. Notice on District website
10. Nixle alerts
11. Possibly message boards (under discussion with FMWD)

Staff anticipates that the previous steps discussed above will be completed before the FMWD/MWD shutdown so that the community is informed of the situation and can assist the District with meeting its customers' water demands.

Staff will notify the community at the conclusion of the FMWD/MWD shutdown about resuming outdoor water and lifting of restrictions.

Operations:

Staff plans to meet with the system operators a week prior to the FMWD/MWD shutdown to discuss operational scenarios, personnel staffing during the shutdown and review emergency operations. In addition, perform testing on the Glendale/CVWD interconnection and the CVWD/LCID interconnection to ensure their operation.

Starting on February 19, 2013, CVWD will fill the reservoirs to maximum water storage prior to the shutdown. On February 21, the System Operators will close the FMWD valve connections and begin taking water from the City of Glendale, as well as maximizing groundwater production. The System Operators will monitor the water system through SCADA on a daily basis to make sure reservoir levels remain high and water supply can meet water demand.

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Prepared by:



Christy J. Scott
Program Specialist

Submitted by:



Dennis Erdman, PE
General Manager



CRITICAL WATER CONSERVATION ALERT NOTICE

February 21st through February 28th, 2013

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) in conjunction with Foothill Municipal Water District (FMWD) is planning a shutdown of its imported water facilities to Crescenta Valley Water District and other local agencies from Thursday, February 21st – Thursday, February 28th.

The District does not anticipate any water supply problems during the shutdown due to current demand, local ground water capacity and the District's emergency connection with Glendale Water and Power.

CVWD along with the other Foothill water agencies in the La Crescenta, La Canada, and Altadena areas will be in a **Red** or **Critical Water Alert** condition during the shutdown period to ensure ample local supplies for indoor water use and emergencies.

During the Red or Critical Alert, no outdoor irrigation will be permitted and residents are encouraged to conserve indoor water use. In addition to no outdoor watering, please refrain from hand-washing vehicles, filling swimming pools or spas. CVWD will be working with Caltrans, schools, and the local parks to turn off their irrigation systems during this period.

The District will use the Nixle network system to update the Community on any water supply conditions. If you don't have a Nixle account, create one at www.Nixle.com. Nixle is a notification service for law enforcement and government agencies. MWD will also have water tips and updates at www.bewaterwise.com.



February 2013	Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thur	Fri	Sat
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	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	24	25	26	27	28		

MARK THE DAYS ON
YOUR CALENDAR
AND REMEMBER TO
CONSERVE WATER



THINGS TO DO NOW, BEFORE Thursday, February 21st

Beginning Thursday, February 14th, 2013

- Do not plant new landscaping, which typically requires continual watering to establish plants, shrubs and trees. Delay new plantings until after February 28th.
- Set mowers for a higher cut than normal. Longer blades of grass help reduce evaporation. Or, avoid mowing altogether.
- Avoid fertilizing lawns and plants prior to the shutdown. Fertilizer encourages growth, which requires more water.
- Fill large containers, like trash bins, and use that water for hand watering delicate plants during the week. Remove water from trash bins and other large containers with a bucket to distribute it to sensitive plants. Keep containers covered.

Monday, February 18th, 2013

- Deep-water trees and shrubs by either setting out soaker hoses or watering with a regular hose on a slow trickle. Water until the soil is soaked to a depth of about 8–12 inches (deeper for trees, more shallow for shrubs). Use a soil probe or a shovel to determine the depth to which the water has percolated.

Wednesday, February 20th, 2013

- Do a normal, thorough watering of lawns, but not more than required because the extra water will be wasted. Hand-water “hot” or dry spots of lawns.
- Set sprinkler timers to the “OFF” position Wednesday night.
- Do final fill-ups of any large containers.

Thursday, February 21st through Thursday, February 28th

NO OUTDOOR WATERING, HOSING, OR CAR WASHING.

TIPS DURING SHUTDOWN

- Take short showers (5-minute max).
- Put a bucket in the shower to collect the water before the shower warms up. Use this water for plants.
- Do not leave water running when washing dishes.
- Run only full loads in washing machine and dishwasher. And do minimal number of loads.
- Do not leave water running when brushing your teeth or shaving.
- Do not mow your lawns. Minimize the use of your lawn (i.e. playing on it, leaving vehicles on it) to reduce stress on the turf.

For more water-saving tips, visit www.bewaterwise.com.

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Action Item No.2
January 22, 2013

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors
From: David S. Gould, P.E. – District Engineer
Subject: Discussion on Los Angeles County's Clean Water, Clean Beaches Program and Property Assessment Fee

ACTION ITEM:

Storm Water Assessment Fee – Discussion regarding the possible assessments to the District under the clean water fee proposed by Los Angeles County.

BACKGROUND:

The County of Los Angeles Flood Control District (LA County) is proposing to establish an annual clean water fee to fund the Clean Water, Clean Beaches Program that will be charged as a parcel fee.

The purpose of the Clean Water, Clean Beaches (CWCBB) Program is to provide funding for projects and services to improve surface water quality, protect sources of drinking water supplies from contamination and reduce stormwater and urban runoff pollution. It is also the intent of the Program to encourage multiple benefits and incorporate sustainable solutions, such as protecting and enhancing available drinking water supply via water conservation/reuse efforts; providing flood protection and control; protecting public health and safety; protecting open space and natural areas; providing places for recreation, such as parks or ball fields; creating, restoring, or improving wetlands, riparian, and coastal habitats; and providing other public benefits.

Funds will be used by cities, LA County and watersheds where they are collected and would be available for projects to:

- Protect local drinking water sources from contamination
- Protect public health
- Increase groundwater supplies that can be used for drinking water, reducing the need to import expensive water from Northern California and Colorado
- Keep toxic chemicals, dangerous bacteria and trash out of rivers, coastal waters and beaches
- Generate thousands of local jobs in construction, engineering, landscaping and environmental work, and in the tourism industries that depend on clean beaches and coastal waters
- Capture and clean stormwater to irrigate neighborhood parks, ball fields and school grounds
- Develop wetlands, parks and open space to be used as areas where water can be naturally cleansed before going to the ocean or to replenish groundwater
- Provide science curriculum and classroom teachers
- Educate children and adults about keeping trash and pollutants out of streets and storm drains and off our beaches

Additional information about the CWCBB program is attached and can also be found at the Los Angeles County's Clean Water website at www.lacountycleanwater.org.

According to LA County, the CWCBB program could generate about \$275 million a year to clean up pollution runoff before it reaches local rivers, beaches and parks.

The process to enact this parcel fee as described by LA County is a two-step process. The first step is sending out a Proposition 218 notice for a public hearing by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors that was held on January 15, 2013. During the hearing:

- The LA County Flood Control District presented an overview statement of the Clean Water, Clean Beaches Measure
- Testimony was heard from about 150 residents, municipalities and organizations
- Protests were received from about 4.3% of property owners, about 95,000 (as of end of day January 11)
- The Board of Supervisors voted to continue the Public Hearing until March 12, 2013:

In addition, the Board of Supervisors indicated that written protest can still be submitted to LA County until March 12, 2013.

LA County indicated from its website that the next steps will be:

- The LA County Flood Control District will revise the Ordinance and Implementation Manual, based on input received from residents, municipalities and organizations and a motion approved by the Board of Supervisors, that the Measure:
 - Include a sunset clause
 - Include more specifics about projects that would be funded
 - Provide incentives/credits to property owners who implement water quality improvement measures
- LA County Flood Control District will come before the Board of Supervisors on March 12, 2013, at which time the Public Hearing may be concluded or be further continued
- The Board of Supervisors will vote to approve an Ordinance before determining if there will be a vote to approve the fee

If the Board of Supervisors has not received protests against the fee by a majority of property owners at the end of the hearing, the Board of Supervisors may choose to proceed to the second step in the approval process, an election to approve the fee, which could be a vote of property owners who would pay the fee or a general election of registered voters.

DISCUSSION:

Parcel Fee

Staff reviewed the proposed parcel fee schedule and prepared a summary of CVWD parcels that could be assessed as part of the CWCB Program, which is attached.

As shown on the attached Summary table, the District owns 26 properties with a total area of 24.2 acres. 14 properties are within Los Angeles County or the City of La Canada-Flintridge and 12 properties are within the City of Glendale.

CVWD does not pay property taxes on properties within the District's Boundaries, which is within Los Angeles County or the City of La Canada-Flintridge. However, the District does pay property taxes on properties outside of the District Boundaries, which are located within the City of Glendale.

Staff used the CWCB Program assessment formula to determine the possible annual cost to CVWD for the program. As shown, it could range from \$2,878 to \$9,122 annually based on how or if all the properties are assessed.

Project Funding:

Staff also reviewed the information to see if there is a possibility for CVWD to obtain funding for future storm water recharge programs. One of the goals of the CWCBC Program is to increase the amount of storm water utilized for groundwater recharge and reduces the region dependency on imported water from the Colorado River and Northern California.

According to the information, funding would be available to cities, LA County and watersheds where they are collected. While CVWD or other water districts are not included, CVWD could partner with LA County and/or the City of Glendale on storm water recharge project like the Crescenta Valley County Park project that we have been discussing over the last few years. There may be an opportunity to obtain funding for installation of the infiltration galleries at CV Park. In addition, there may be other projects to expand the debris basins to capture water for future spreading into the Verdugo Basin.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff's recommendation is to support the parcel fee for two reasons. The first reason is that goals and objectives of the CWCBC Program meets the needs of the District to protect the Verdugo Basin watershed and to provide possible funding for storm water recharge projects, which could reduce CVWD's costs for imported water. The second reason is that the potential costs to the District are not high as compared to the possible return of increasing water storage within the basin.

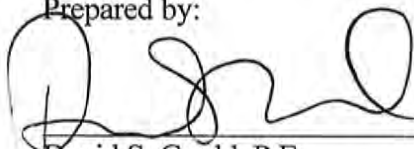
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

N/A

FUNDING AVAILABILITY:

N/A

Prepared by:


David S. Gould, P.E.
District Engineer

Submitted by:


Dennis Erdman
General Manager

Attachments:

1. Summary of Properties and Possible Assessment Fees
2. LA County CWCBC Program information

Crescenta Valley Water District

Summary of Properties and Possible Assessment Fees

No.	Site	Address	APN	LA County or Glendale	Area (acre)	Area (SF)	AIP: LAND USE CLASSIFICATION	WATER QUALITY FEE: L.U.C.	Glendale Only	WATER QUALITY FEE: L.U.C.
1	Encinal	3045 Encinal Avenue	5801-006-902	LA County	0.84	36,654	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$403.11
2	Ocean View	4715 Ocean View Blvd	5870-012-900 5870-012-901	La Canada- Flintridge	1.89	82,854	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$909.01
3	Ordunio	4029 Lowell Avenue	2572-005-900 2572-005-901 2572-005-902 2572-005-903	Glendale	1.15	50,374	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%	Glendale	\$553.99
4	Rosemont	4745 Rosemont Avenue	5803-026-901	LA County	0.50	21,812	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$239.88
5	Oak Creek	5041 Cloud Avenue	5866-002-901	LA County	0.91	39,678	Gov. Prop. Group H	91%		\$945.46
6	Eagle Canyon	Top of Rosemont Avenue	5867-010-910	LA County	2.32	101,298	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$1,114.05
7	Markridge	3150 Markridge Road	5866-005-900 5866-005-904	LA County	0.65	28,481	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$313.23
8	Goss Canyon	Top of Goss Canyon Avenue	5868-021-901	LA County	1.39	60,916	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$669.93
9	Dunsmore	Top of New York Avenue	5601-032-904	LA County	0.89	38,910	Gov. Prop. Group A	1%		\$10.19
10	Cresta Heights	2829 Willowhaven Drive	5867-019-900	LA County	0.82	35,885	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$394.66
11	Edmund #1	5836 Edmund Avenue	5868-018-900	LA County	0.39	17,307	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$190.34
12	Edmund #2	NW Corner Pineglen & Ridgepine	5867-011-036	LA County	7.59	330,651	Gov. Prop. Group A	1%		\$86.58
13	Shields	Top of Pine Cone Avenue	5867-011-907	LA County	0.21	9,362	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$102.96
14	Pickens	Top of Canyonside Road	5868-022-900	LA County	1.13	49,637	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%		\$545.89
15	Glenwood Plant	3730 Glenwood Avenue	5617-002-901	Glendale	1.72	75,145	Gov. Prop. Group H	91%	Glendale	\$1,790.58
16	Mills/Well 1	3246 Mills Ave	5607-018-901	Glendale	0.44	19,213	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%	Glendale	\$211.30
17	Well 5	3937 Pennsylvania	5607-017-900	Glendale	0.11	4,846	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%	Glendale	\$53.29
18	Well 7	3117 Mills Ave	5607-015-900	Glendale	0.16	7,290	Gov. Prop. Group A	1%	Glendale	\$1.91
19	Well 8	1425 Val Verde	5611-008-038	Glendale	0.01	650	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%	Glendale	\$7.15
20	Well 9	3312 Honolulu	5607-004-900	Glendale	0.11	4,967	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%	Glendale	\$54.62
21	Well 11	3812 Honolulu	5610-004-900	Glendale	0.05	2,407	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%	Glendale	\$26.47
22	Well 14	2760 Sycamore	5611-015-902	Glendale	0.09	3,964	Gov. Prop. Group D	42%	Glendale	\$43.59
23	Main Office	2700 Foothill	5801-021-900	LA County	0.30	13,267	Gov. Prop. Group H	91%		\$316.13
24	MW-4	SE Corner - Penn/Encinal	5801-005-900	LA County	0.17	7,455	Gov. Prop. Group A	1%		\$1.95
24	Mills House	3240 Mills Ave	5607-017-905	Glendale	0.16	7,194	Single Family	29%	Glendale	\$54.63
25	Penn House	3937 Pennsylvania	5607-017-906	Glendale	0.05	2,208	Single Family	42%	Glendale	\$24.28
26	Sycamore House	2857 Sycamore	5617-003-020	Glendale	0.13	5,889	Single Family	37%	Glendale	\$57.05
	Total				24.18	1,058,112				\$9,122.23
										\$2,878.87

Los Angeles County

clean water, clean beaches measure



Water and Beaches Today

Water quality in rivers and creeks, lakes, the bay and coastal waters continue to be a challenge for counties throughout California:

- Water pollution is at levels well above accepted health standards and Clean Water Act regulations.
- Sources of clean drinking water are threatened by contamination.
- Independent, scientific water quality tests have recently determined that 7 of 10 most polluted beaches in California are on the Los Angeles coast.

The Clean Water, Clean Beaches Measure would fund projects to reduce trash and pollution in our waterways and protect local sources of drinking water from contamination.

The Problem

Water runoff is a major source of pollution. When it rains or we water lawns, wash cars or hose down sidewalks, water rushes down the street, picking up trash and toxic pollutants. On a typical rainy day, billions of gallons of contaminated stormwater flows directly—untreated—into rivers, creeks, lakes, bays and coastal waters.

These polluted waters include toxic substances that can affect our health, and the health of fish and marine life.

These pollutants include:

- Industrial solvents, paints and chemicals
- Toxic metals like lead, mercury, chromium and arsenic
- Infection-causing bacteria
- Pesticides and fertilizers
- Oil and grease
- Trash like plastics, cigarette butts, candy wrappers and syringes



Top: During storms, rushing water picks up trash from the streets and sends it into storm drains. The trash flows to the ocean and washes back onto beaches.

Bottom: The fee would be available to fund new screen inserts in storm drains to trap trash before it enters waterways, and fund ongoing maintenance to keep them clean.

The results of all that untreated water runoff:

- High bacteria levels that indicate a health risk to swimmers and cause beach warnings and closures
- Hundreds of thousands of tons of urban trash on the beach every year according to LA County Department of Public Works
- Hundreds of dolphins, seals and other marine life are found dead along our coast annually from swallowing plastics/trash and from lack of food, destroyed by pollution

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www.LACountyCleanWater.org

Cities and the County are making strides cleaning up and preventing trash and toxic pollutants from entering waterways, but there is still much work to do to protect sources of clean drinking water, preserve our waterways and beaches and protect residents, fish and wildlife.

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- Protect local drinking water sources from contamination
- Protect public health
- Increase groundwater supplies that can be used for drinking water, reducing the need to import expensive water from Northern California and Colorado
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- Provide science curriculum and classroom teachers
- Educate children and adults about keeping trash and pollutants out of streets and storm drains and off our beaches

Proposed Fee

All properties generate water runoff. The more hard surfaces that a parcel has (such as buildings and pavement), the more water runoff it will generate. The fee will be determined by the amount of runoff properties generate, based on the size of each parcel (but not its value) and its land use (residential, commercial/industrial or undeveloped). The typical single-family residential fee would be \$54 annually; condos would be \$20 or less. The LA County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing about the Measure; all property owners will be notified about the date and time.

Tujunga Wash Greenway: New Drinking Water Supply Source

This is an example of a multi-benefit project that can be funded, resulting in improved water quality and increased drinking water supplies. The Tujunga Wash Greenway, in the urban San Fernando Valley, creates a restored stream and ecosystem that naturally cleanse millions of gallons of water, neutralizing pollutants and replenishing groundwater supplies.



BEFORE



AFTER

Strict Fiscal Safeguards

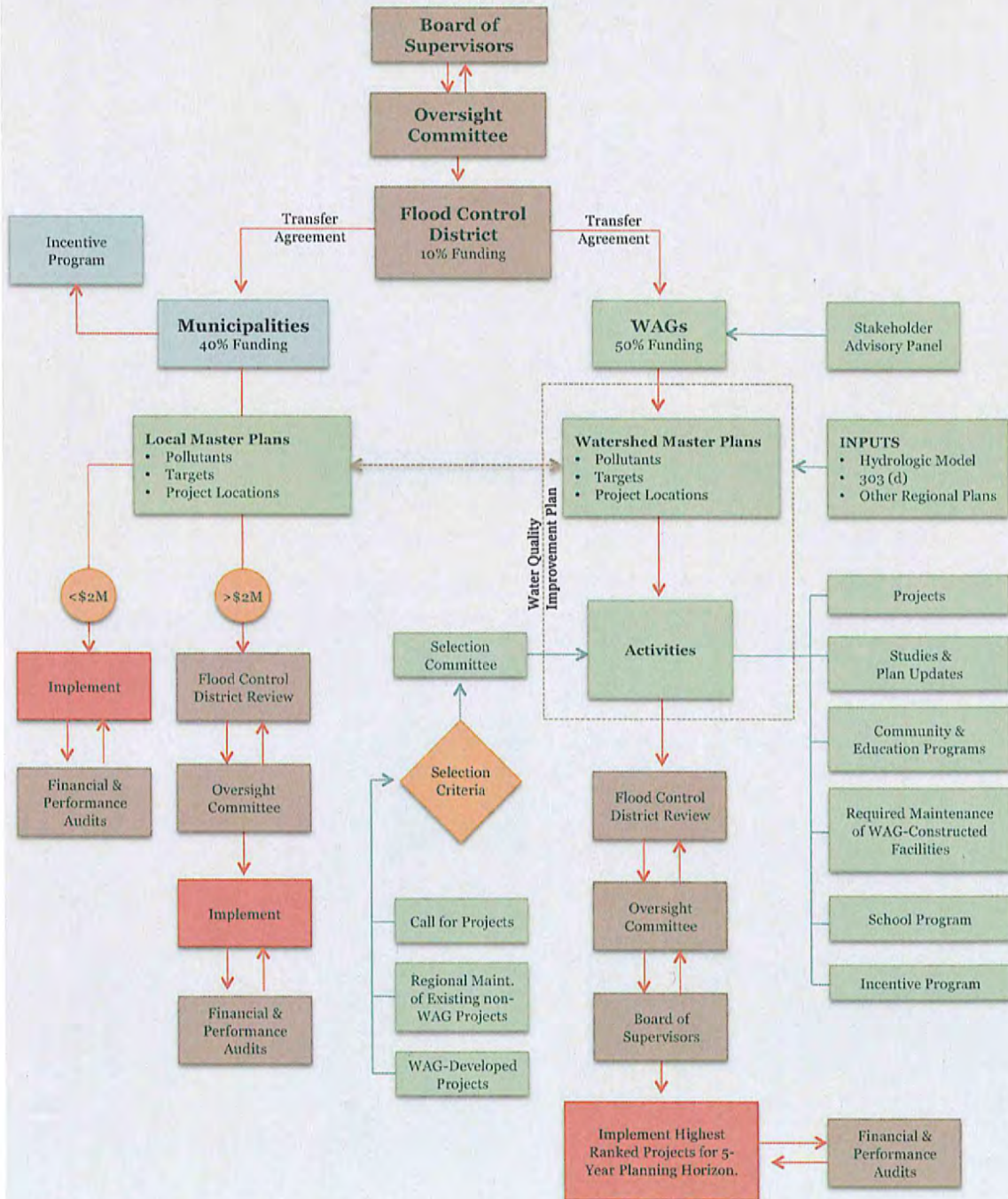
The proposed measure includes strict fiscal safeguards:

- All funds are required by law to be completely dedicated to *local* water quality improvement projects and cannot be diverted or used for anything else.
- An Oversight Committee reviews expenditures; subject to independent annual financial and performance audits.
- By law, the fee could not be increased without another majority vote of property owners.

CWCB Measure Implementation

The purpose of the Clean Water, Clean Beaches Program is to provide funding for projects and services to improve surface water quality, protect sources of drinking water supplies from contamination and reduce stormwater and urban runoff pollution. It is also the intent of the Program to encourage multiple benefits and incorporate sustainable solutions, such as protecting and enhancing available drinking water supply via

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CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - STAFF REPORT

Item No. 3
January 22, 2013

To: Board of Directors
From: Dennis A. Erdman, General Manager
Subject: Purchase of a Used Meter Reading Vehicle

ACTION ITEM:

1. **Purchase of Used Meter Reading Vehicle** – Consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to purchase a used meter reading vehicle from Municipal Maintenance Equipment at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.

BACKGROUND:

A few months ago, our meter reader's vehicle, Unit #23, caught on fire and was subsequently declared a total loss. The District submitted a claim for the loss and has been reimbursed \$9,700 from ACWA/JPIA insurance.

Since the last Board meeting, staff revisited the alternatives for our meter reading vehicle which included the Jeep vehicle used by the County parking enforcement officer and electric vehicles similar to the GO-4 Interceptor II. It was the opinion of the enforcement officer that the Jeep was not a reliable vehicle and required frequent maintenance. Staff returned to the belief that the Interceptor type vehicle was the best alternative for this area due to tight streets and limited parking areas. Staff feels that the other electric powered Interceptor type vehicles would not be able to provide the power needed to climb the hills and may not be able to hold their charge for the entire day due to the constant uphill drain. This left the gas powered Interceptor model as the preferred choice for the District.

Staff has been using our backup meter reading vehicle since the loss. The back-up vehicle (Unit 23B) is not reliable in the long term for meter reading and has required substantial repairs to keep it in service until a replacement is acquired. Staff has located a suitable replacement for our purpose from Municipal Maintenance Equipment located in Anaheim, California. The proposed substitute vehicle is a used "GO-4 Interceptor II". This is the same model as the vehicle that was destroyed. The proposed replacement is a 2006 model and the price is approximately \$19,000. These vehicles sell new for around \$35,000. The vehicle that was destroyed had approximately 34,600 miles on the odometer. The recommended replacement vehicle has 120 miles on the odometer.

It is anticipated that the District will need a meter reading vehicle for at least five to seven years in the future, depending upon how long it takes to convert the water meters to some form of radio read capability. The useful life of the proposed 2006 GO-4 Interceptor II is estimated to equal, or exceed, this time period.

OPTIONS

There are two options for replacement of the destroyed meter reading vehicle.

1. Purchase a new Go -4 Interceptor II from Municipal Maintenance Equipment for the approximate cost of \$35,000.
2. Purchase a used 2006 model Go-4 Interceptor II from Municipal Maintenance Equipment for the approximate cost of \$19,000. There is an option to purchase a 90 day warranty equal to a manufacturer's warranty for an additional cost of \$1,000.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Board authorize the purchase of a used 2006 GO-4 Interceptor II from Municipal Maintenance Equipment for a cost not to exceed \$20,000. Funds for this purchase will come from the District's Capital Equipment budget. Proceeds from the insurance recovery will be used to offset a portion of the purchase price. Net budget impact is expected to not exceed \$10,000.

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Dennis A. Erdman, General Manager

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January 4, 2013

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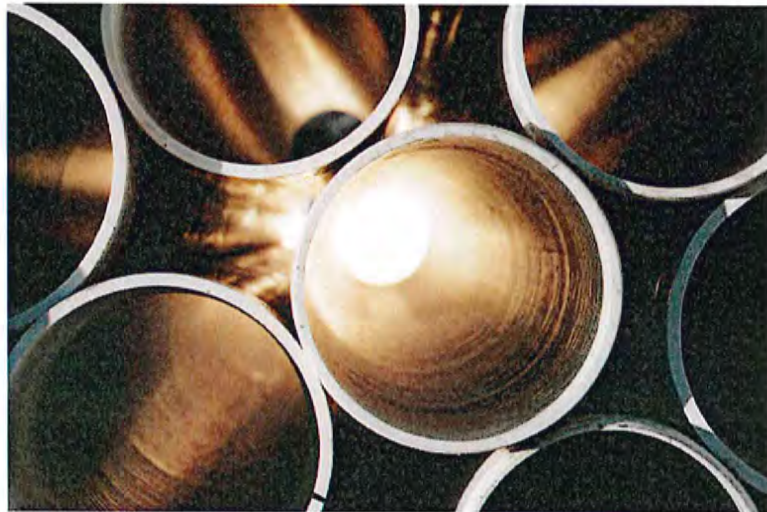




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- Meet our staff working on the project
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Crescenta Valley Water District

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Glendale News Press

CV Water District dips into reserves to cover pension debt

By Brittany Levine, brittany.levine@latimes.com

3:27 PM PST, January 11, 2013

Crescenta Valley Water District officials this week voted to draw down heavily on the utility's reserves to pay off a ballooning pension liability — a decision they said would have positive long-term affects given the high interest rate they were being charged.

Officials said the California Public Employees' Retirement System had been charging the district 7.75% interest on the original \$855,192 debt since 2005, which would have brought the total tab over its 20-year lifetime to roughly \$1.7 million.

So rather than continuing to incur the pain of high interest by slowly paying the debt off, the utility's board of directors on Tuesday voted unanimously to use about 15% of their reserves to clear the liability.

"This could be a first step in addressing the [retirement benefits] issue," board President James Bodnar said by phone Wednesday.

The vote was a simple decision to make, officials said, since the district was being charged 7.75% interest by CalPERS on the debt while the district's \$4.9 million in reserves was making just about 1% interest via an investment portfolio.

"It makes sense for us to use money that's earning a low interest at this point in time to pay off a debt that's causing a high interest rate," said Ron Mitchell, the water district's treasurer-secretary.

The debt came about when CalPERS determined the Crescenta Valley Water District was \$855,192 behind in meeting future retirement obligations. Rather than plug the gap all at once, the district spread payments out over 20 years. Since then, the utility has paid about \$598,884, but 81% of that has gone toward interest.

While using reserves will save the district money in the long run, officials still must backfill the reserve fund to meet future demands.

That could be done in a variety of ways, including increasing water rates more than expected,

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Mitchell said.

A water-rate hike, which could be as high as 8.9%, is slated for discussion early this year.

Water rates have been on the rise in the district for years, including a rate boost of 8.2% last January and 3.1% in July. In October, sewer rates jumped 8.2% and are set to go up by an additional 8.4% to cover higher wastewater treatment costs.

Another option could be to use possible settlements from a lawsuit filed in federal court in which the utility alleges several gas companies leaked a water contaminant into the ground years ago. But those settlements aren't guaranteed and a trial is scheduled for February.

What officials ultimately choose to do to backfill the reserves will be a topic for another day, said district spokeswoman Christy Scott.

Crescenta Valley officials aren't alone in their efforts to get a handle on the rising cost of retirement benefits. Glendale Water & Power has been negotiating with its labor groups to increase the amount employees contribute to their pension plans for years. Currently, 8.5% to 12.5% of employee paychecks pay for retirement benefits, depending on the bargaining unit.

The Crescenta Valley Water District, on the other hand, pays the full cost of benefits for all 34 of its employees.

As of June 2012, Crescenta Valley's annual pension obligation was \$315,706 after having jumped by 7.8%, according to the district's most recent financial audit.

Mitchell said employees contributions to the cost of their pensions may come up in June 2014 when **the current contract is up for review.**

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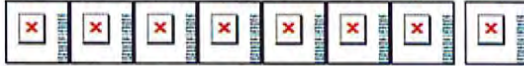
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On the second day, participants will be provided with a **governance primer for water district directors** that will include the **roles and responsibilities** of a director and the **legal requirements** of board members.

The discussion will be led by **attorney Arthur Kidman**, Partner with *Kidman Law, LLP*.

Tom Philp with *Metropolitan Water District of Southern California* will round out the afternoon with a discussion on **understanding the news media**.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Michael Thornton, P.E.
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Water Funding – Where Will We Find It?

Last month I discussed the need to do more with less as it relates to water. Demand management will be vital to obtaining water solutions. I will remind us of the "water ethic" that will result in significant use efficiency. It is where the water comes from ... how much do we each use ... what we put into it ... and where it goes when we are done with it. I ask our membership to attend your local council/board meetings and advise our elected officials of the "water ethic".

Even with greater demand management, it is clear that we as engineers have work to do. Last month I discussed a series of other programs that need implementation to continue to meet water demands. We as engineers have successfully, without argument, met these challenges throughout history and we will continue to do so. Projects that we will plan, design and oversee construction include, but not limited to, water conservation projects such as recycled water direct reuse, greater storm water capture and recharge, multi-use flood control, off river storage control, and urban runoff management, not to mention the enormous demand for project to treat local and surface water supplies.

As it has been throughout history, the engineers will bring the solutions. The question is how will these programs be funded? Last month, I mentioned that water project funding has historically come from a variety of sources including federal government, state government, and local ratepayers and that we face significant challenges as it relates to both federal funding as well as state bond financing. I will discuss each of them together with local funding in the following paragraphs:

Federal Funding

Federal funding has been an important tool for completion of many water projects throughout our history. I am currently working on a project that is being funded through the US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA). It benefited, as I understand it, from the old "earmark" system. The use of these funds will ultimately result in enhanced flood protection to a local community. Today, that system appears to be gone and many would say that is good news. So how will we wrestle federal funding from Washington in the future? It appears that local communities will have to compete through various agencies including the US Army Corps of Engineers, the Bureau of Reclamation, and US EPA among others. Unfortunately, during these never ending efforts to reduce "spending", many of these programs have seen significant reductions. This is bad news.

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The good news is we are starting a new year with a new Congress, moreover, a new leader in the House of Representatives Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Bill Shuster, from Pennsylvania; and there is optimism. When accepting his new role, the Congressman advised that he would immediately go to work on a new Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) bill affectionately referred to as "worda". Perhaps, enhanced federal funding is on the way? But to ensure such, we have a role. In December, I met with my newly elected Congressional representative to discuss the overwhelming need for infrastructure funding. I ask that all of our membership do the same. Unfortunately, few of our elected officials are engineers; they need us to educate them on the importance of infrastructure investment.

State Funding

Many of us can remember a time when State funding was a reliable source. In the 1960's, approximately 20% of State general fund amounts were used for infrastructure. Today, general fund expenditures are essentially zero. I often wonder what happened between then and now. At that time, leaders and the public as a whole understood the need for infrastructure investment. Today, many leaders clearly don't to the extent they should. During this period, the State has increasingly relied on bonding to fund needed investment.

Consistent with this trend, many water bonds have been approved over the years including, more recently, Propositions 13, 40, 50, 84, and 1E. Billions of dollars have been borrowed for needed improvements. Currently, we are implementing a number of projects that are being funded through Propositions 84 and 1E with the majority of the projects to be completed by 2014. ASCE advocates for a pay-as-we-go system but such a system doesn't appear to be a reality today.

That said - how do we move forward? As I discussed last month, the "Water Bond" is scheduled for voter consideration in 2014 - having been delayed twice already. The bond basically, and very basically, includes \$3 billion for surface storage, \$3 billion for groundwater management, and \$4 billion for environmental restoration or as some would refer to it as the "Delta Fix". ASCE supports the Water Bond.

Brian Thomas, Managing Director of The PFM Group, believes that the voters will likely never see that bond. Since it is on for late 2014, this year's legislative sessions will likely not take it up but expect a battle in 2014. Approximately 40% of the legislature is new this year and many more of those who crafted the bond are no longer in the legislature. The new leaders will likely want a second look. Thomas predicts that the bond will get smaller. Engineers get ready; we have a role in how the final bond will be formulated. Start talking with your state legislators now - we need an effective water bond to fund the needed water investment.

Local Funding

Almost all federal and state funding sources required local match amounts and these funding sources are more and more difficult to maintain. The next question is how will we fund projects and programs locally and is it time to develop regional bond funding? Joseph Zoba, General Manager at Yucaipa Valley Water District, advocates for a system that would raise funds regionally to be used for regional projects. It would avoid the time consuming and expensive federal and state processes to compete for funds. It would be administered locally for greater local control. It would require regional partners to work together closely in developing regional solutions.

There are many challenges ahead for such a program including defining boundaries and the Proposition 218 threshold of a 2/3 voting majority to establish such a program. Although this concept requires greater development, it is intriguing. It will provide for the local control that connects funding to needed improvements and eliminates the costly federal and state management roles. The results are more infrastructure and lower costs. As engineers, we are all over it! It is time for ASCE to work with our water leaders and move forward local funding programs. I call upon ASCE water leaders to begin to establish these funding sources for the future!

Next month, I will discuss our role in government relations.



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Glendale News Press

School districts balk at proposed county assessment for ground water run-off program

1:27 PM PST, January 10, 2013

A Los Angeles County proposal to for the first time assess school districts alongside other property owners for an environmental clean up program has local education officials bristling.

County public works officials in recent weeks have been pushing an initiative that would pay for improving local groundwater sources and prevent toxic runoff from reaching the ocean through an ongoing parcel fee on all property owners, including school districts.

If the county Board of Supervisors agrees to put it on the ballot, and it's approved by more than 50% of voters, the impact would be more than economic for school districts already grappling with razor thin budgets and likely teacher layoffs. Officials fear it would also set a precedent, as school districts have historically been exempted from assessor agency fees.

That combo has prompted round after round of negative reaction among local school districts to the county proposal.

Glendale Unified — which is expected to issue pink slips to teachers in the coming months — will oppose the county proposal, Supt. Dick Sheehan said.

The district would be charged \$5,000 annually, according to the county, but that amount differs greatly from the \$200,000 annual assessment school officials were initially told.

"The math doesn't work," Sheehan said. "That's part of our concern — that they're rushing into this."

Districts would be assessed according to a formula that takes into account how much land they own and how much of it contributes to run-off, which means the range could be from the tens of thousands to seven-figures, such as the \$4 million annual assessment expected for Los Angeles Unified.

"We as a flood control district are certainly sympathetic to the budget issues that are faced by the school districts," said Kerjon Lee, a spokesman for Los Angeles County public works. But, he added,

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“we were instructed by the Board of Supervisors to investigate how the county and city could develop longtime and sustainable revenue for cleaning up.”

At a special meeting in December, the Burbank Unified school board voted to oppose the measure.

Burbank school board President Larry Applebaum called the initiative “a laudable plan,” but was concerned over fees charged to schools.

The district would be charged \$28,000 per year under the county proposal.

“I think the overarching issue is whether we set that precedent or not,” Applebaum said, citing the potential “for the next assessor that wants to use the district’s property as a source of revenue.”

In the end, he added, “that has nothing to do with clean beaches and clean water.”

Burbank Unified Supt. Jan Britz is against the fee when the district could face more layoffs after letting go of staff and taking furlough days.

“We’re deficit spending just to do our normal routines,” Britz said.

The La Cañada Unified School District, which could be charged roughly \$25,000 annually, officially opposed the measure this week citing the more than \$10.8 million in state funding cuts suffered since 2007.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors is scheduled to take up the measure at its meeting on Jan. 15.

-- Kelly Corrigan, Times Community News

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State regulators: Edison broke rules in response to 2011 windstorm

By Brenda Gazzar, Staff Writer twitter.com/bgazzar San Gabriel Valley Tribune

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The California Public Utilities Commission found that Edison and other utility providers violated power pole safety standards. State regulators also said SCE personnel did not follow a training schedule outlined in its local public affairs plan and concluded that the amount of time it took to restore power to several thousand customers was "inadequate."

"The report confirmed what many have been saying all along - many of the problems could have been averted had SCE simply followed better safety protocols," Temple City Councilman Tom Chavez, whose city was among those hardest hit from the windstorm, said in a statement.

Other utilities cited in the report for violations included AT&T, Champion Broadband, Charter Communications, Sunesys, Time Warner Cable, TW Telecom, and Verizon. All jointly own poles with SCE.

The PUC also admonished SCE for destroying "crucial evidence."

"I am especially disappointed in the lack of preservation of evidence by SCE, which not only hindered the investigation, but could have helped in determining how to avoid future accidents," Chavez said.

SCE officials did not comment.

PUC officials made six recommendations to SCE, including to update emergency procedures, follow a training schedule and annually test its plan with a full-scale exercise.

The Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, 2011 windstorm affected more than 440,000 SCE customers, including about 205,000 customers in the San Gabriel Valley. It caused more than \$34 million in public sector damages in the Los Angeles County area. Some households and businesses were without power for up to eight days.

The PUC report also includes some of the first calculations of wind speeds during the two-day storm, chronicling near-hurricane force - or greater - winds at several locations. Among the data: Mt. Washington experienced winds of 101 miles per hour at 1:18 a.m. and winds of 150 mph were recorded at Henninger Flats at 3:58 a.m. on Dec. 1.

A weather station at Santa Fe Dam in Irwindale recorded wind speeds of 65 mph on Nov. 30 and 68 mph on Dec. 1. The dam is less than two miles from a large SCE facility.

SCE officials have previously said their response was successful because no one got hurt during

or after the storm. Company officials said they take PUC findings seriously.

Rep. Judy Chu, D-Pasadena, said it was "beyond disappointing" to see that neglected safety regulations was the cause of a number of downed power poles and electrical outages after the storm.

"This report confirms that by following such regulations, and by asking for mutual assistance, power could have been restored more quickly," Chu said in a statement.

Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Burbank, said steps must be taken to prevent any reoccurrence.

"During times of emergency like this, call centers must be fully staffed and answer residents' questions quickly and efficiently," he said in a statement.

Former Assemblyman Anthony Portantino said he was pleased the CPUC made "significant and strong recommendations of improving performance and public safety" in the future.

The report also highlights the need for A.B. 1650, which Portantino introduced and Gov. Jerry Brown signed into law last year. The law requires investor-owned electric and water utilities to develop, adopt and update emergency and disaster preparedness plans in coordination with the counties and cities they serve, he said.

Last year, a third-party report commissioned by SCE found that the utility's power restoration time for the windstorm could have been shortened by as much as two days.

Among the key findings of the Davies Consulting report, released last April, were that the utility needed to develop an emergency response vision and a damage assessment process, to significantly expand the role and authority of SCE's emergency management group and define expectations with external emergency management agencies.

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SoCal Edison responds to critical report, says windstorm prompted 'many improvements'

By Brenda Gazzar Staff Writer twitter.com/bgazzar San Gabriel Valley Tribune

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Southern California Edison officials defended themselves Tuesday against state regulators' allegations of violations and inadequacy, arguing they've already made significant improvements as a result of lessons learned from the 2011 windstorm that pummeled much of the San Gabriel Valley.

SCE's statement came one day after the California Public Utilities Commission released its final report admonishing the utility's handling of the fierce Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, 2011 windstorm that downed nearly 250 power poles and left about 440,000 of the utility's customers without power. Some were without power for as many as eight days.

The report alleged that SCE violated safety rules, discarded evidence and used outdated crisis plans when responding to the fierce windstorm.

"Our performance in the San Gabriel Valley following the 2011 windstorm fell short of our own expectations, as well as those of our customers, local elected officials, and the commission," SCE President Ron Litzinger said in a statement. "As a result, we have established a comprehensive program to strengthen our service restoration and communication performance during and after storms by bolstering key technology systems, and by increasing the scalability and integration of our storm response plan."

The devastating overnight windstorm on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, 2011 caused more than \$34 million in public sector damages in the Los Angeles County area.

Among the "key improvements" SCE outlined is a plan to implement a study of its poles to examine pole loading in its area. At least 21 power poles downed in the storm violated safety standards related to the strength of the

poles and telecommunications equipment attached to them, the final PUC report stated.

SCE also redesigned its outage center on its website "for better access via mobile devices," including a new mobile application for smart phones, the statement said.

The utility has also improved situational awareness through storm and response modeling, which was tested during the utility's response during the 2012 heat wave.

The final report also found that SCE failed to preserve crucial evidence with investigators were only able to fully reconstruct 5 downed power poles. It also alleged that the PUC did not follow a training schedule outlined in its local public affairs plan and had an "inadequate" response time.

SCE officials said its primary focus was on restoration of service and claimed to have transported and preserved more than an acre of fallen pole material as evidence.

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Glendale News Press

County supervisors put off vote on storm water cleanup fee

9:01 AM PST, January 16, 2013

Los Angeles County supervisors on Tuesday deferred a vote on placing a storm water cleanup tax on the ballot amid strong opposition from a range of stakeholders, including local school districts, which have historically been exempt from such fees.

The proposed fee would be levied on all property owners within the county's flood control district, raising an estimated \$290 million a year to help cities and the county deal with widespread water quality issues stemming from polluted storm water and urban runoff — and the resulting threat of fines and litigation.

Nearly 200 people spoke to the board at a hearing Tuesday — a required first step before the supervisors could vote to put it on the ballot — and many of them were firmly against the proposal.

If the county Board of Supervisors eventually agrees to put it on the ballot, and it's approved by more than 50% of voters, the impact would be yet another financial drain for school districts already contemplating teacher layoff notices later this year.

[Local education officials also fear](#) it would set a precedent, as school districts have historically been exempted from assessor agency fees.

Two supervisors, Don Knabe and Michael D. Antonovich, have been adamantly opposed to the proposed fee from the start, [the L.A. Times reported](#). A third, Gloria Molina, said Tuesday she was “troubled” about aspects of the measure, particularly the public outreach process.

The board direct county officials to keep the protest period for the measure open for another 60 days as they explore possible amendments to appease concerns expressed at the meeting.

Los Angeles Times staff writer Abbey Sewell contributed to this report.

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CalPERS gains more than 13% in investment returns in 2012

California's massive public employee pension system has its best year since 2006.

By Stuart Pfeifer, Los Angeles Times

January 15, 2013

California's massive public employee pension system gained more than 13% in investment returns last year, most of it from stocks and real estate, the agency said.

It was the best year for the California Public Employees' Retirement System since 2006, when the fund gained 15.7%. CalPERS investments were up 1.1% in 2011 as it struggled to regain its footing after the Great Recession.

With more than \$250 billion in assets, CalPERS is the largest public employee pension fund in the U.S. The agency administers retirement benefits for more than 1.6 million current and retired state, school and local government employees and their families.

Though it released returns for the calendar year, CalPERS reports on a fiscal year ending June 30. And its returns in the first six months of its current fiscal year were 7.1%, slightly below the 7.5% it had assumed it would gain for the full fiscal year.

"We're definitely pleased," said Joe DeAnda, a CalPERS spokesman. "Our hopes are that the performance will continue along these lines."

Investment returns are significant because they help dictate the amount of money that government agencies have to contribute to provide retirement benefits for employees. The importance of the fund's investments was magnified in 2008, when it lost 28% amid the global economic crisis and recession.

Rob Feckner, president of the CalPERS board, said he remains optimistic about the fund's future.

"As we emerge from this recession, I am positive we will continue on the path of improved transparency, accountability and ethics," he said.

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January 11, 2013

Dennis Erdman
General Manager
Crescenta Valley County Water District
2700 Foothill Blvd.
La Crescenta, CA 91214

Re: Annual Notification

Dear Dennis Erdman,

On behalf of the members of the Building Industry Association of Southern California, Los Angeles/Ventura Chapter, I am writing to officially request fourteen day advance notification prior to the proposal of any development related fee increases per California Government Code Section 66016. In the event of a major fee adjustment or new fee ordinance, **we respectfully request notification sixty days prior to public hearing.**

This information will allow us to communicate proposed changes to our members that are or will be doing business in your jurisdiction. Please send all notifications to:

Sandy Sanchez
ssanchez@bialav.org

I have also included the BIA Fair Share Principles. This document is the policy of our Board of Directors Policy that we ask Los Angeles and Ventura County jurisdictions to consider when examining their fee schedules. As always, feel free to contact me anytime in the event that I may be of assistance. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Sandy Sanchez', written over a horizontal line.

Sandy Sanchez
Government Affairs Director
(661) 257-5046 x3

Enclosure

**BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
LOS ANGELES/VENTURA COUNTIES CHAPTER**

THE FAIR SHARE PRINCIPLES

It is recommended that Jurisdictions:

1. **Notice.** Provide sixty (60) day notice of effective date of any fee increases.
2. **Public Hearing.** Publish notice and hold hearing prior to consideration of fee increase along with mailed notice to any petitioning party pursuant to Section 54992 of the Government Code.
3. **Resolutions.** Do not amend enabling resolutions. Work for the inclusion of all development fees in one new, comprehensive resolution.
4. **Volume Adjustment.** Adopt reduced rates for subsequent plan check and inspection of identical buildings.
5. **Source Documents.** Insure that the actual fee authorization document with official signature is available for distribution by development services agency or city clerk upon request.
6. **Other Agencies.** Publish, and clearly display, contact list of any other known agency that may claim regulatory jurisdiction.
7. **Payment Timing.** Honor deferred payment rules under Government code Section 53077.5.
8. **Nexus and Need.** Provide evidence of fee nexus and identified need through generation of nexus study and a needs assessment in accordance with State Law.
9. **Establish Specific Benefit Areas.** Assessment fees are within clearly defined boundaries for benefited properties and not be utilized to subsidize other tax-supported facilities or services. An adopted plan of expenditures and implementation schedule should be in place prior to adoption according to State Law.
10. **Documents Kept Current.** Cost-of-living increase is documented in newly published schedules. No undisclosed, intermediate calculations are required to determine one's probable liability.
11. **Impact Fees.** Impact fees only be implemented with a facilities master plan/analysis, adopted budget, and specific spending plans adopted after public hearing.

Memorandum

DATE: January 22, 2013
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Dennis A. Erdman 
RE: General Manager's Report
CC: Management Staff

On January 9, Christy Scott and I attended "Coffee with COPPs" in Montrose where the new Glendale Police officer for the Montrose area was introduced. We spoke with several community members and invited Officer Abe to take a tour of our Glenwood facility whenever he has a chance.

I also attended the La Crescenta Chamber of Commerce officer installation and Mary Pinola scholarship awards on January 10th.

FMWD held a meeting on January 16 to provide information on the MWD imported water shutdown scheduled for next month. Immediately following that meeting the member agency managers met for a briefing on other FMWD items of interest. Nina Jazmadarian said that FMWD was planning an extensive "condition assessment" of the 11,000 foot long east side force main during the shutdown. The work will be done by a consultant supported by FMWD staff. The FMWD recycled water project continued to move forward with a promise of funding from the integrated regional water management plan. MWD Director Jim Edwards is hosting a Colorado River tour and seats may be available if any CVWD Board member is interested to participate.

On January 17, I attended the quarterly meeting of Infragard. The topic was cyber security and means to keep the bad guys out of your computer systems.

We reset our "Days Without a Lost Time Accident" calendar on January 14 after accumulating 175 days. Our "duty man" suffered a lost time injury when responding to a weekend call out.