## AGREEMENT REGARDING ADDITIONAL EXTRACTIONS FROM THE SAN BERNARDINO BASIN AREA

BETWEEN

SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

AND

WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY

## AGREEMENT Regarding Additional Extractions from the San Bernardino Basin Area

This Agreement is entered into between SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT, hereinafter called VALLEY DISTRICT, and WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY, hereinafter called WESTERN.

## RECITALS

- 1. Groundwater levels in the San Bernardino Basin Area have recently risen to near historical high levels and are close to conditions that existed in 1944 and 1945. These higher groundwater levels have restored pressure to the artesian zone of the San Bernardino Basin Area, and flowing wells and rising water are occurring. This condition has already caused damage to buildings and structures in the artesian zone, and it is anticipated that, if the condition continues, additional damage may result.
- 2. WESTERN and VALLEY DISTRICT are parties to the judgment entered April 17, 1969, in Western Municipal Water District of Riverside County vs. East San Bernardino County Water District, et al., Riverside Superior Court No. 78426 (herein sometimes referred to as the "Western Judgment"). Among other provisions, said Judgment limits the amount of water that can be exported from the San Bernardino Basin Area. However, paragraph VI(b)6 of the Western Judgment allows VALLEY DISTRICT and WESTERN to enter into agreements for additional extractions as provided therein.

3. The parties have determined that there is an existing temporary surplus natural groundwater supply in the artesian zone of the San Bernardino Basin Area, and that it is in the public interest that extractions of such supply from the San Bernardino Basin Area should be increased in the interest of sound water resources management. The parties therefore desire to enter into the following agreement pursuant to the aforesaid provision of the Western Judgment to provide for increased extraction and exportation of water.

## **AGREEMENTS**

NOW THEREFORE IT IS AGREED by and between the parties hereto as follows:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Western Judgment the parties hereto agree that additional extractions may be made from the San Bernardino Basin Area as defined in said Judgment and exported to the City of Riverside for use in Riverside County in amounts not to exceed the amounts specified herein. Such additional extractions may be made through pumping by the City of Riverside or by pumping other San Bernardino Basin Area producers' wells for the City of Riverside.

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- 2. The annual quantity of additional extractions by or on behalf of the City of Riverside authorized by paragraph 1 shall be limited to 10,000 acre-feet, or such lesser amount as would not impose a replenishment obligation on VALLEY DISTRICT under paragraph VI(c) of the Western Judgment if such additional extractions were charged against the replenishment obligation and if such replenishment obligation were computed without regard to (1) credits for replenishment made with imported water or (2) excess exports to the Chino Basin. The additional extractions will not require replenishment with imported water.
- 3. This Agreement is not intended to alter the rights of any person or entity or create new rights to pump or extract groundwater from the San Bernardino Basin Area, and neither of the parties, nor anyone making extractions pursuant hereto, will ever claim or allege that additional or new rights, or any continuing right, to export water from the San Bernardino Basin Area accrue as to water extracted and delivered under this and other supplemental agreements. Nothing herein shall affect the right of any party to seek redetermination of the safe yield under the Western Judgment: provided that, the provisions of this Agreement and the effect of any additional extractions made under it shall be taken into account in connection therewith. Nothing in this Agreement shall affect rights to water imported from the State Water Project.

- 4. Payment to VALLEY DISTRICT for additional extractions permitted by this Agreement will be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of agreements supplemental to this Agreement among VALLEY DISTRICT, City of Riverside, and other San Bernardino Basin Area producers.
- 5. Additional extractions made by San Bernardino Basin Area producers other than the City of Riverside for the City of Riverside will be reported to the Division of Water Rights of the State Water Resources Control Board by the City of Riverside and will be recorded in Volume 1A (Production by Plaintiffs) of the annual report of the Western Watermaster under the name of the City of Riverside.

The amount of additional extractions is hereby determined to be the amount by which the annual extractions by or for the City of Riverside exceed its adjusted rights under the Western Judgment. For purposes of determining compliance by the City of Riverside with the Western Judgment, VALLEY DISTRICT shall certify to the Watermaster the amount of the additional extractions which have been paid for hereunder, and such additional extractions as determined by the Watermaster shall be excluded from computations to determine compliance with the Western Judgment.

- 6. Section X of the Western Judgment requires replenishment for new export to areas not tributary to Riverside Narrows. For the purposes of the Western Watermaster's annual calculation of water used in areas not tributary to Riverside Narrows, the amount of water purchased hereunder shall be treated as a source of water to the nontributary area in the same manner as water produced from wells in the nontributary area.
- 7. This Agreement shall not be construed as a contract to supply water obtained from the State Water Project.
- 8. This Agreement may be amended with mutual consent of the parties in writing.
- 9. The term of this Agreement shall be ten years and will continue on an annual basis thereafter unless terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party six months prior to the end of the current term.

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IN WITNESS HEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement Regarding Additional Extractions from the San Bernardino Basin Area to be entered into.

SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

its President

Attest Richard Mandy

Dated: December 22, 1981

WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Secretary

its Secretary

Dated: December 22, 1981

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