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Call to Order

Board of Directors Workshop - Policy Thursday, September 10, 2020

Chairperson — Director Longville Vice-Chair — Director Kielhold



NOTICE REGARDING (COVID-19)

Before public comments are considered, the record will reflect that pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 19, 2020, this meeting will be conducted by teleconference only.



Introductions

Following the introduction of Directors and District staff, participants may use this time to state their name and agency/affiliation in order to be included in the formal record of attendees.



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Summary of Previous Meeting (Pg. 3)

Board of Directors Workshop – Policy – August 13, 2020



Discussion Item 4.1 (Pg. 6)

Kristeen Farlow, MPA – External Affairs Manager

Discuss State and Federal Legislative Update

Staff Recommendation
Receive and file.



State Legislative Highlights

- Legislature concluded 8/31/2020
- Will return after the November election with a clean slate and a budget deficit
- Governor has until Sept. 30 to sign or veto the legislation on his desk
- Governor's Water Portfolio implementation
- Budget and Federal Stimulus Funding
- Bond discussion





State Legislative Highlights

BILLS ON GOVERNORS DESK

- AB 2560 Water Quality Notification and Response Levels
- AB 2800 Climate Change, Infrastructure Planning
- SB 1386 Local Government Assessments, Fees, Charges

BILLS THAT DIED IN COMMITTEE OR FAILED DEADLINE

- AB 1720 Energy/energy storage
- AB 2178 Emergency Services
- AB 3030 Resource Conservation
- SB 414 Small Water Systems Authority Act
- SB 625 Central Basin MWD Receivership
- SB 1099 Emergency Backup Generators



Coronavirus Relief: Federal Highlights

CORONAVIRUS RELIEF

- HEROES Act passed in May by the House
- Stalled in the Senate due to price tag negotiations

- Three Executive Memos and one Executive Order
 - Unemployment aid
 - Student loan payment relief
 - Eviction assistance
 - Temporary deferment of payroll taxes



Federal Legislative Highlights

WRDA

- Water Resources
 Development Act of 2020 (HR 7575)
 - Passed by House
 - Senate has not passed its own version
 - House calls for completion of a feasibility study to modify Seven Oaks Dam
 - Final WRDA bill not expected until after November elections

GREAT AMERICAN OUTDOORS ACT

- Water ResourcesDevelopment Act of 2020 (HR 7575)
 - Signed into law Aug. 4, 2020
 - Nearly \$3 billion on conservation projects, outdoor recreation, maintenance of national parks and other public lands



Federal Outlook for September

- New federal gov fiscal year begins Oct. 1, 2020
- •Funding will likely come thru a C.R. (Continuing Resolution)
- Negotiations on Coronavirus Response bill to continue in Sept.

- Senate returned Sept. 8
- House returns Sept. 14



Director Comments and Discussion



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Susan Longville Treasurer



June Hayes Director



Gil NavarroDirector

Staff RecommendationReceive and file.



Discussion Item 4.2 (Pg. 36)

Heather Dyer, MS, MBA - Chief Executive Officer/General Manager

Consider Partnership with the University of California at Irvine PFAS Research Project

Staff Recommendation

Staff is recommending the Board consider entering into an agreement with UCI to co-fund this research with the other SAWPA agencies, in the amount of \$20,000.



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Discussion Item 4.3 (Pg. 68)

Matt Howard, MS – Water Resources Senior Project Manager Chris Jones, MESM – Project Manager II, Biological Resources

Consider Adoption of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority One Water One Watershed (OWOW) Plan Update 2018

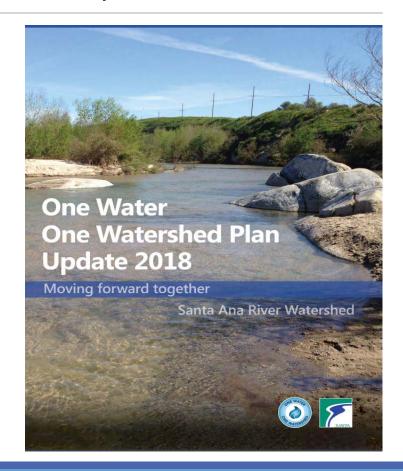
Staff Recommendation

Request that this item be placed on a future Board of Directors Regular meeting with a recommendation for adoption of the 2018 OWOW Plan.



Adopting the OWOW Plan Update 2018

- SAWPA along with its Member Agencies, Stakeholders and partners in the Santa Ana River Watershed prepared the One Water One Watershed (OWOW) Plan Update 2018, the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan for entire Santa Ana River Watershed.
- Valley District was selected to receive \$2 million for its Evans Lake Tributary Restoration and Camp Evans Recreation project, which is a habitat restoration project located in the City of Riverside being completed on behalf of the Upper Santa Ana River HCP
- To help simplify the submittal of the overall grant application to DWR, SAWPA has asked that each of the agencies that were awarded grant funds to adopt the OWOW Plan Update 2018 including the finalized list of projects.



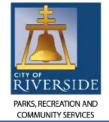


Evans Lake Tributary Restoration and Camp Evans Recreation Project

- 2015 Initial Opportunities and Constraints analysis associated with Prop. 84 SARCCUP Grant
- 2017 Fires burned much of the site
- 2018 Partnership with the City of Riverside to implement restoration plan
- 2019 Resolution No. 1093 to submit application for DWR IRWM Plan Proposition 1 Grant
- 2019 Board certifies Tributaries Restoration EIR through Resolution No. 1095
- 2020 Project selected to receive \$2,000,000 from Prop I Grant
- 2020 City of Riverside receives funding for master planning for 9 parks, including Fairmount Park/Camp Evans











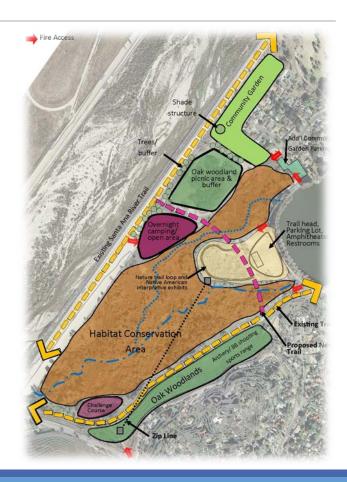


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Next Steps:

- SAWPA to sign agreements with DWR (Nov/Dec 2020)
- SAWPA working on agreements with Valley District and other Prop I grantees
- Valley District and City of Riverside complete design, CEQA compliance, and permitting







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Adjournment