Orange County Water District

March 22, 2017

OCWD Recharge System Status

- All recharge basins at FHQ filled with Santa Ana River water (except La Palma and Miraloma basins that are dedicated to GWRS)
- Working to empty water behind Prado Dam
- Begin taking large amounts of MWD untreated water around June 1, 2017
OCWD Groundwater Basin Accumulated Overdraft

Basin Operating Range

Target Overdraft

6/30/16  379,000 af
6/30/17  ~320,000 af

FY2017-18 OCWD Water Budget

- Currently 50,000 af of untreated full service MWD water in FY16-17 budget – Proposed increase to 65,000 af for FY17-18
  - Creates ~ 12% rate increase to Replenishment Assessment
- Potentially purchase additional 30,000 af of untreated water in FY17-18 (95,000 af total)
  - Developing terms of purchase - Bring back to boards in April – Cyclic Storage Agreement concept
  - Take large amount of water into OCWD recharge system - up to 300 cfs (600 af/day) during summer months
    - Defer capital projects and maintenance
Purchasing Additional Water in FY17-18

- Refilling the groundwater basin
- Approximately $128 million
- Keep BPP at 75% but do large In-lieu program
- Lower BPP to refill the basin
- To be discussed at April 12th OCWD Water Issues Committee
End of Presentation