

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY  
Jointly with the

**PLANNING & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

October 3, 2022, 8:30 a.m.

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Director McVicker  
Director Nederhood

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D. Micalizzi, H. Baez, T. Baca

Ex Officio Member: Director Yoo Schneider

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**ROLL CALL**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** - Public comments on agenda items and items under the jurisdiction of the Committee should be made at this time.

**ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED** - Determine there is a need to take immediate action on item(s) and that the need for action came to the attention of the District subsequent to the posting of the Agenda. (Requires a unanimous vote of the Committee)

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**EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS**

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. 2020 CENSUS POPULATION AND HOUSING UNIT DISAGGREGATION INTO ORANGE COUNTY WATER PROVIDER SERVICE AREAS – CDR WORK ORDER #125

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

2. MWDOC LEGISLATIVE POLICY PRINCIPLES ANNUAL UPDATE
3. UPDATE ON COVID-19 (ORAL REPORT)
4. UPPER FEEDER SHUTDOWN RECAP (ORAL REPORT)

**INFORMATION ITEMS** (The following items are for informational purposes only – background information is included in the packet. Discussion is not necessary unless requested by a Director.)

5. SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH PLANET BIDS
6. 2022 OC WATER SUMMIT RECAP
7. MWDOC CHOICE SCHOOL PROGRAMS UPDATE
8. STATUS REPORTS
  - a. Ongoing MWDOC Reliability and Engineering/Planning Projects
  - b. WEROC
  - c. Water Use Efficiency Projects
  - d. Public and Government Affairs
9. REVIEW OF ISSUES RELATED TO PLANNING OR ENGINEERING PROJECTS, WEROC, WATER USE EFFICIENCY, FACILITY AND EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE, WATER STORAGE, WATER QUALITY, CONJUNCTIVE USE PROGRAMS, EDUCATION, PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMS AND EVENTS, PUBLIC INFORMATION PROJECTS, PUBLIC INFORMATION CONSULTANTS, DISTRICT FACILITIES, and MEMBER-AGENCY RELATIONS

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NOTE:** At the discretion of the Committee, all items appearing on this agenda, whether or not expressly listed for action, may be deliberated, and may be subject to action by the Committee. On those items designated for Board action, the Committee reviews the items and makes a recommendation for final action to the full Board of Directors; final action will be taken by the Board of Directors. Agendas for Committee and Board meetings may be obtained from the District Secretary. Members of the public are advised that the Board consideration process includes consideration of each agenda item by one or more Committees indicated on the Board Action Sheet. Attendance at Committee meetings and the Board meeting considering an item consequently is advised.

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**ACTION ITEM**  
October 19, 2022

**TO:** Board of Directors

**FROM:** **Planning & Operations Committee**  
(Directors Tamaribuchi, McVicker, Nederhood)

Robert Hunter, General Manager

Staff Contact: Charles Busslinger

**SUBJECT: 2020 Census Population and Housing Unit Disaggregation into Orange County Water Provider Service Areas – CDR Work Order #125**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve CDR Work Order #125 in the amount of \$13,805.52 to divide up the 2020 Census population and housing data into the Orange County water provider service areas.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

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Committee recommends (To be determined at Committee Meeting)

**SUMMARY**

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CDR provided technical assistance to MWDOC for completion of the 2022 Redistricting process. That process had a number of time related challenges including; a shortened deadline for completion of the redistricting process, late distribution of census data from the State, and additional redistricting requirements for cities and counties who CDR also supported during their redistricting processes. The 2022 Redistricting process was based upon agency legal boundaries as recorded by LAFCO.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| <b>Budgeted (Y/N): Y &amp; N</b>                                                                                               | Budgeted amount: (Cost Center 21):<br>\$15,000 CDR - Pre-approved<br>\$10,000 for On-Call Work<br>(\$25,000 Total).<br>Previous pre-approved CDR work<br>spent to date - \$11,225 | Core <u>X</u> | Choice <u>  </u> |
| <b>Action item amount:</b> \$13,805.52 (with the previously completed project, the total will exceed budgeted amounts by \$31) |                                                                                                                                                                                   | Line item:    |                  |
| <b>Fiscal Impact (explain if unbudgeted):</b>                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                   |               |                  |

Agency service areas boundaries in some circumstances differ from agency legal boundaries. Multiple instances exist throughout Orange County and elsewhere where someone is within the legal boundary of retail agency (X), but receives water from adjacent agency (Y). Following completion of the 2022 redistricting processes, CDR and staff worked with the retail agencies to resolve a number of service area discrepancies and make GIS corrections to retail agency service area boundaries. This work was paid for under the pre-approved Cost Center 21 work for CDR - Division and Retail Boundary Corrections (See Exhibit J) at a cost of \$11,225.

This disaggregation project will divide 2020 census population data and housing units into the water service provider service areas now that the retail agency boundaries have been corrected in order to have accurate numbers for retail agency population and per household calculations.

During the redistricting process, staff informed the Board at the 1<sup>st</sup> Public Hearing on December 6, 2021, and at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Redistricting meeting on January 5, 2022 that additional 'clean-up' work would be needed once the redistricting process was completed. This is a clean-up item.

## **BOARD OPTIONS**

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### **Option #1:**

Approve use of \$10,000 already contained in the FY 2022-23 Budget under Cost Center 21 for On-Call work plus an additional \$31 overage to be taken from reserves to complete CDR Work Order #125.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$31 draw down on reserves

**Business Analysis:** Board approval is required for use of \$10,000 contained in the FY 2022-23 Budget under Cost Center 21 for On-Call work, with an additional approval of a \$31 overage to be taken from reserves; The work is needed so that MWDOC and its member agencies will have accurate population and housing data by retail agency service area for analyses going forward.

### **Option #2:**

Authorize the entire \$13,806 to be taken from reserves.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$13,806 draw down of reserves

**Business Analysis:** Any member agency level calculations which uses population and/or housing unit data from 2022 forward will not have accurate information until this work is completed.

### **Option #3**

Do not authorize the work.

**Fiscal Impact:**

**Business Analysis:** Any member agency level calculations which uses population and/or housing unit data from 2022 forward will not have accurate information until this work is completed.

**Staff Recommendation:** Option #1

Attachment: CDR Work Order #125 – Scope of Work  
Final FY 2022-23 Budget - Exhibit J

**Exhibit J**  
**Professional / Special Services Authorized**  
**Core Fund**

| Department                                              | Consultant                                                                                              | Service                                                             | Budget<br>FY 21-22 | Budget<br>FY 22-23 | * Approval<br>included in<br>Budget<br>Approval |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Outside Consulting Expense</b>                       |                                                                                                         |                                                                     |                    |                    |                                                 |
| <b>Planning &amp; Operation<br/>(21)</b>                | CDR                                                                                                     | GIS Retail & Division Boundary Corrections                          | \$ -               | \$ 15,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | CDM Smith                                                                                               | Economic Studies/Reliability Study                                  | \$ 50,000          | \$ 100,000         | √                                               |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | On Call Work                                                        | \$ 75,000          | \$ 10,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | Hazen, Ed Means Consulting                                                                              | EOCF#2 Emergency Pilot                                              | \$ 75,000          | \$ 150,000         | √                                               |
| <b>Total Planning &amp; Operations Expenses</b>         |                                                                                                         |                                                                     | <b>\$ 200,000</b>  | <b>\$ 275,000</b>  |                                                 |
| <b>Met Issues &amp; Special<br/>Projects (23)</b>       | Ed Means Consulting                                                                                     | Consulting on MET issues                                            | \$ 30,000          | \$ 25,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Financial & Rate Consulting                                         | \$ 75,000          | \$ 35,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | MET and Reliability Planning (IRP & Delta)                          | \$ 75,000          | \$ 50,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Financial Model for MWD                                             | \$ -               | \$ 25,000          |                                                 |
| <b>Total MET Issues &amp; Special Projects Expenses</b> |                                                                                                         |                                                                     | <b>\$ 180,000</b>  | <b>\$ 135,000</b>  |                                                 |
| <b>Total Outside Consulting Expense</b>                 |                                                                                                         |                                                                     | <b>\$380,000</b>   | <b>\$410,000</b>   |                                                 |
| <b>Legal Expenses</b>                                   |                                                                                                         |                                                                     |                    |                    |                                                 |
| <b>Administration<br/>(11 &amp; 13)</b>                 | Best, Best & Krieger                                                                                    | General Legal Counsel Services                                      | \$ 200,000         | \$ 210,000         | √                                               |
|                                                         | Aleshire & Wynder                                                                                       | Legal Counsel Services Regarding San Diego CWA                      | \$ 15,000          | \$ 15,750          | √                                               |
|                                                         | Best, Best & Krieger                                                                                    | Labor Counsel Services                                              | \$ 10,000          | \$ 10,000          | √                                               |
| <b>Total Legal Expenses</b>                             |                                                                                                         |                                                                     | <b>\$225,000</b>   | <b>\$235,750</b>   |                                                 |
| <b>Audit Expenses</b>                                   |                                                                                                         |                                                                     |                    |                    |                                                 |
| <b>Finance<br/>(41)</b>                                 | Vasquez & Company LLP                                                                                   | Annual Financial Audit and Federal Single Audit                     | \$ 30,220          | \$ -               | √                                               |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Annual Financial Audit and Federal Single Audit                     | \$ -               | \$ 35,000          |                                                 |
| <b>Training</b>                                         |                                                                                                         |                                                                     |                    |                    |                                                 |
| <b>Administration<br/>(13)</b>                          | Cal State University<br>Fullerton/Municipal Resources<br>Group/Centre for Organization<br>Effectiveness | Staff Development/Technical Training/Leadership<br>Training         | \$ 50,000          | \$ 45,000          | √                                               |
| <b>Professional Fees</b>                                |                                                                                                         |                                                                     |                    |                    |                                                 |
| <b>Administration<br/>(12 &amp; 13 &amp; 19)</b>        | Economic Group Pension Services<br>(EGPS) formerly Dissinger<br>Associates                              | Pension Plan Administration                                         | \$ 4,000           | \$ 4,000           | √                                               |
|                                                         | IGOE                                                                                                    | Cafeteria Plan Administration                                       | \$ 660             | \$ 700             | √                                               |
|                                                         | Gladwell Services                                                                                       | Records Management Consulting                                       | \$ 1,200           | \$ 1,200           | √                                               |
|                                                         | Health Equity                                                                                           | Health Equity                                                       | \$ 100             | \$ 125             | √                                               |
| <b>Governmental Affairs<br/>(31)</b>                    | BBK Legislation                                                                                         | State Legislative Advocate                                          | \$ 96,000          | \$ 96,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | Lewis Consulting                                                                                        | County Issues Consulting                                            | \$ 42,000          | \$ -               | √                                               |
|                                                         | Soto Services                                                                                           | Grant Research and Acquisition Assistance                           | \$ 39,000          | \$ 42,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | Ackerman                                                                                                | Legal and Regulatory                                                | \$ 36,000          | \$ 42,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | Natural Resource Results                                                                                | Federal Legislative Advocate                                        | \$ 96,000          | \$ 96,000          | √                                               |
| <b>Public Affairs<br/>(32)</b>                          | Stetson Engineers                                                                                       | Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Technical<br>Water Quality Advisor | \$ 43,449          | \$ 50,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | So Cal Water Coalition                                                                                  | Delta Conveyance Program Support                                    | \$ 30,000          | \$ 30,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Collateral materials update and<br>resolutions/proclamations        | \$ 4,500           | \$ 5,000           |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Event Registration Fees                                             | \$ 12,500          | \$ -               |                                                 |
|                                                         | Hashtag Pinpoint                                                                                        | Strategic Digital Outreach Contract                                 | \$ 95,000          | \$ 95,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | CA Water, Energy & Education Alliance                               | \$ 5,000           | \$ -               |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Polling Public Sentiment Analysis                                   | \$ -               | \$ 25,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Education Initiatives                                               | \$ -               | \$ 35,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Website Research                                                    | \$ -               | \$ 50,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Wyland Mayors Challenge                                             | \$ 10,000          | \$ 10,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | PSAV                                                                                                    | Special Events AV Support                                           | \$ 20,000          | \$ 51,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Advertising                                                         | \$ 20,000          | \$ 20,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Environmental Literacy Initiative                                   | \$ 25,000          | \$ -               |                                                 |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Scouts Program                                                      | \$ 7,500           | \$ 7,500           |                                                 |
| <b>WUE - Core (35)</b>                                  | (To be determined)                                                                                      | General WUE Research                                                | \$ 75,000          | \$ 75,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | Water Systems Optimization                                                                              | Water Loss Control Work Grp (WLC)                                   | \$ 55,000          | \$ 55,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | Water Systems Optimization                                                                              | WLC Business Plan Implementation                                    | \$ 25,000          | \$ 25,000          | √                                               |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Water Conservation Potential Study                                  | \$ 100,000         | \$ -               |                                                 |
|                                                         | OC Data Acquisition P/S (OCDAP)                                                                         | Aerial Imagery and Landscape Measurement Project                    | \$ -               | \$ 75,000          | √                                               |
| <b>Finance &amp; IT<br/>(41 &amp; 45)</b>               | U.S. Bank                                                                                               | Custodial Bank fees                                                 | \$ 6,500           | \$ 6,500           | √                                               |
|                                                         | CalPERS                                                                                                 | CalPERS GASB 68 Report                                              | \$ 700             | \$ 700             | √                                               |
|                                                         | Davis Farr                                                                                              | Financial Consulting                                                | \$ 15,000          | \$ -               | √                                               |
|                                                         | (To be determined)                                                                                      | Financial Consulting                                                | \$ -               | \$ 15,000          |                                                 |
|                                                         | Demsey Filliger & Assoc., LLC                                                                           | OPEB Actuarial                                                      | \$ 750             | \$ 3,750           | √                                               |
| <b>Total Professional Fees</b>                          |                                                                                                         |                                                                     | <b>\$865,859</b>   | <b>\$916,475</b>   |                                                 |

\* Approval of the budget constitutes authorization for spending within the policy guidelines set out in Chapter 8, Contracts section of the Administrative code including authorization limitations. A check mark indicates final board approval of the expenditure.

Sponsors:

California State  
University, Fullerton

County of Orange

Municipal Water  
District of  
Orange County

Orange County  
Council of  
Governments

Orange County  
Sanitation District

Orange County  
Transportation  
Authority

Orange County  
Water District

Southern California  
Association of  
Governments

Transportation  
Corridor Agencies

Contributing Partner:

Orange County  
Local Agency  
Formation Commission

August 29, 2022  
SCOPE OF WORK

**2020 Decennial Census Disaggregation to Orange County Water Provider Service Area and  
Annual Population Estimates Update for  
Orange County Water Agency Service Areas and Subareas 2020-2022  
MWDOC Work Order #125**

**Description**

CDR will align the 2020 Census geographies and allocate the 2020 population counts for each retail water agency's service area in Orange County and the non-retail areas in MWDOC.

Population will be estimated for each service area in MWDOC and the non-retail areas for years 2021-2022 using the 2022 revised State Department of Finance population estimates.

*Note: this project does not include benchmarking pre-2020 estimates to the 2020 Census or dwelling units by type.*

**Tasks**

1. After GIS consolidated services areas have been completed (WO#124) and MWDOC provides notice to proceed, CDR will align service areas in MWDOC plus the non-retail areas with 2020 Census geographies (place, census tract, and census blocks) and update CDR's master polygon file. This includes downloading and processing of 2020 Census data from the City of Cerritos in Los Angeles County that is served by La Palma.
2. Allocate 2020 Census population and total housing units to 2022 service areas.
3. Using the most current service areas, update small area population data with Department of Finance's 2022 revised population estimates for 2020-2022.
4. Allocate data to determine the total population and total housing units for each service area for years 2020-2022, including
  - a. Subareas for Golden State Water District
  - b. Subareas for East Orange County Wholesale District.
  - c. Subareas for Irvine Ranch Water District (in/out of OCWD)
5. Write up short methodology summaries for GIS boundaries and population estimates.
6. Prepare electronic reference map of service areas in MWDOC plus the non-retail areas.

**Products**

1. Excel dataset of estimated April 1, 2020 and January 1, 2021 and 2022 population for all Orange County water service areas and subunits benchmarked to the 2020 Census and State Department of Finance annual city estimates.
2. Summary methodology document of population estimates.
3. PDF reference map of water service areas in Orange County with water agency legal boundaries plus the non-retail areas.

**Estimated Cost and Timeline**

Estimated Cost: \$13,805.52

Project will be billed on a cost-recovery basis.

Not to exceed estimated costs above unless project is modified.

CDR is available to being project immediately.

Estimated completion: 8 weeks from notice to proceed or completion of consolidated service area boundaries, whichever is later.

This quote will expire on September 30, 2022.

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Teresa Victoria, GIS Analyst (657) 278-4670 [tvictoria@fullerton.edu](mailto:tvictoria@fullerton.edu)



**DISCUSSION ITEM**

October 3, 2022

**TO: Planning and Operations Committee**  
(Directors Tamaribuchi, McVicker, and Nederhood)

**FROM: Robert Hunter, General Manager**

Staff Contact: Heather Baez

**SUBJECT: MWDOC LEGISLATIVE POLICY PRINCIPLES ANNUAL UPDATE**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Staff recommends the committee review the policy principles and provide feedback to staff on any suggested or requested updates.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

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Committee recommends (To be determined at Committee Meeting)

**REPORT**

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MWDOC maintains a set of legislative policy principles that serve as guidelines for staff and our legislative advocates on issues that are of importance to the District. The policy principles here are a culmination of current policies and initial changes recommended by staff from all departments within the agency.

Staff solicited feedback from the Board, member agencies, as well as any additional input from MWDOC Department Managers, and updated the document accordingly.

At the September P&O Committee, it was recommended that staff further streamline the full document as it has become overly long and redundant in many sections over the years. The focus of this month's discussion is for staff to receive input from the committee on the updated, draft policy principles to advance the Board's objective of establishing legislative and regulatory policy principles to help guide for both our federal and state legislative

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|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>Budgeted (Y/N):</b> n/a                    | Budgeted amount: n/a | Core X     | Choice __ |
| <b>Action item amount:</b> None               |                      | Line item: |           |
| <b>Fiscal Impact (explain if unbudgeted):</b> |                      |            |           |



programs. All recommended edits are in red on the attached document which will be finalized for action by the P&O Committee and Board in November.

Attached: **Legislative Policy Principles**

## **Municipal Water District of Orange County** **Legislative and Regulatory Policy Principles**

### **OVERALL POLICY**

Legislation and regulations addressing water resource management issues should be guided by local and regional water resource officials with knowledge and experience in addressing opportunities, threats and needs for success within the water industry.

### **IMPORTED WATER SUPPLY**

**It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation, regulations and administrative actions that:**

1) ~~Facilitates the implementation of~~ a Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Improvement program, such as the Delta Conveyance Project that addresses the co-equal goals of reliable water supply, improve water quality, and ecosystem restoration, and related policies ~~that to provide long-term, comprehensive solutions for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta that:~~

- a) Improves the reliability and quality of water delivered through the Delta;
- b) Employs validated sound scientific research and evaluation ~~to advance the co-equal goals of improved water supply and ecosystem health and sustainability;~~
- c) Expedites the completion of the State Water Project and EcoRestore through the use of state, federal and user funding sources~~initiative~~;
- d) Encourages regular infrastructure maintenance and upkeep of the levees and other infrastructure;
- e) Deals with the issue of loss of storage of water in the mountain areas in the form of snow.

2) Resolve supply conflicts on the Colorado River, protects Metropolitan's and California's rights to supply and storage and allows flexibility, promote longterm balance between supplies and demands, promote funding, promote coordination between states for the salinity control program, and support funding to resolve issues with the Salton Sea. ~~in the negotiations of the 2026 management guidelines including actions that:~~

- ~~a) Promote continued federal funding and coordination between states for the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Program under the Federal Departments of Agriculture and Interior.~~
- ~~b) Protect and preserve Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's interest in binational water conservation programs.~~
- ~~c) Promote continued coordination between states for the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Program, including work to secure funding for the continued operation of USBR's Paradox Valley salinity control project to reduce salt loads to the Colorado River~~
- ~~d) Resolve issues with the Salton Sea with key funding to be provided by the State and Federal sources.~~

**Staff Note: Subsections combined into one**

~~3) Authorizes, appropriates, and expeditiously distributes the state and federal share of funding to improve the State Water Project and EcoRestore initiative.~~ **Staff Note: Redundant**

4) Supports the completion of the Central Valley Project (CVP) which may include the construction of conveyance facilities in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta ~~and the raising of Shasta Dam.~~ **Staff Note: If this issue comes up, it will be taken to the Board for consideration**

## **LOCAL WATER RESOURCES**

**It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation and regulation that:**

1) Supports the development of, provides funding for, and authorizes and/or facilitates the development and expanded use of local water resources, such as cost-effective, water recycling, potable reuse, conservation, water use efficiency, groundwater recovery and recharge, storage, brackish and ocean water desalination and surface water development projects where water supply quality and/or reliability is improved and the beneficiaries of the project pay for the portions of the project not funded by state or federal funds.

2) Reduces and/or streamlines regulatory burdens. Including those on augmented or alternative water supply projects, and provides protections for the use of these supplies during water supply shortages, through incentives, exemptions or provisions of credit during state-mandated reductions.

3) Supports ecosystem restoration to improve the water resources, increased stormwater capture where the capture avoids impact to others, and sediment management activities that are cost-effective and enhance the quality and/or reliability of water supplies.

4) Support the inclusion of environmental infrastructure projects the Army Corps of Engineers must consider in its Report to Congress.

~~5) Allows Investor Owned Utilities to invest in redundancy and reliability projects.~~ **Staff Note: If this issue comes up, would be taken to the Board for consideration**

~~6) Encourages the State and Federal government to foster investments in water quality, storage, and/or reliability projects.~~ **Staff Note: Redundant**

7) Recognizes that desalinated water, recycled water, and potable reuse are important components of water use efficiency and drought resiliency.

8) Promote science-based and peer-reviewed standards; take economic feasibility and impact into consideration, respect existing water rights, include reasonable time for implementation and compliance, and, be subject to Legislative oversight and review biennially.

9) Authorizes, promotes, and/or provides incentives for the development of extraordinary emergency water supplies for voluntary use by local water agencies during times of drought or water shortages.

~~10) Is inclusive of transparent collaboration techniques for legislation and regulation regarding water use efficiency.~~ **Staff Note: Captured in the Water Use Efficiency section below**

## **WATER STORAGE**

**It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation and regulation that:**

1) Supports "beneficiaries pay" for water storage that ensure full cost recovery.

2) Supports the siting and construction of surface storage in Southern California, which is sited to receive either State Water Project (SWP) or Colorado River Aqueduct (CRA) supplies.

3) Supports funding at the state and federal level for surface and groundwater storage to deal with the loss of storage in the mountains in the form of snow, including reauthorization and expansion of the WIIN Water Storage Program and bifurcation of Surface and Groundwater Storage Funding at the state and federal levels.

4) Supports the development of both a state and federal funding program to provide funding for local and regional dam safety/improvement projects and programs to repair conveyance facilities that have been damaged due to subsidence.

## **WATER USE EFFICIENCY AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM WATER LOSS**

**It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation and regulation that:**

1) Furthers increasing reasonable water use efficiency, throughout the state, and— water conservation for local, regional, or statewide emergencies.

2) Would allow flexibility and fosters local and regional collaboration to develop and implement options for compliance in achieving statewide water reduction goals.

3) Seeks to cost-effectively improve water efficiency standards and policies for water-using devices such as, but not limited to, the EPA Water Sense Program and Cal Green Building Standards.

4) Reasonably improves Commercial, Institutional and Industrial (CII) water use efficiency programs while preserving community choice and the local economy.

5) Provides financially appropriate incentives, funding, and other assistance to facilitate market transformation and gain wider implementation of water-efficient indoor and outdoor technologies and practices.

6) Recognizes and protects local control, and recognizes past investments, and incentivizes future investments by agencies and customers in water use efficiency measures, especially from the demand-hardening perspective including that, which decreases non-beneficial outdoor water use. Staff Note: Edits recommended by MWDOC staff and Mesa Water District

7) Provides federal and state tax exemptions for water conservation or efficiency incentives for measures including, but not limited to, turf replacement~~removal~~, devices, and other measures to reduce consumption of water or enhance the absorption and infiltration capacity of the landscape.

8) Recognizes the authority of local municipality's right to determine functionality of landscape material, and maintain the utilization of recycled water for landscape irrigation as a beneficial use. Staff Note: Recommended by MWDOC staff.

Alt 8) Protects landowners' choice to include functional turf in outdoor landscapes, including turf that is: low water using\*; irrigated for health and safety needs; irrigated with recycled water; on/near perennial non-turf plantings or trees; and/or, used for events, pet relief, or recreation/sports. \*Low water using turf has a plant factor of 0.3 or less, with irrigation that uses less than 40% of reference evapotranspiration. Staff Note: Recommended by Mesa Water District

#### **It is MWDOC's policy to oppose legislation or regulations that:**

1) Places unreasonable conservation measures on residential, commercial, industrial and institutional customers that would negatively impact water affordability or limit the potential for economic growth.

2) Requires water efficiency standards or performance measures that are infeasible, not practical or fail to have a positive cost-benefit ratio when comparing the cost of meeting the standard or implementing the performance measure with the value of the volume of water saved.

#### **WATER QUALITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

#### **It is MWDOC's policy to support:**

- 1) Legislation that protects the quality of surface water and groundwater including salinity management and the reduction of salt-loading to groundwater basins.
- 2) The establishment and/or implementation of standards for water-borne contaminants based on sound science and with consideration for cost-effectiveness.
- 3) A science-based regulatory process that has been established under the Safe Drinking Water Act and that considers feasibility, benefits and cost, and is the best approach for any consideration and development of drinking water regulations to address any contaminant or family of contaminants, including per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS).
- 4) The investment in the development of analytical methods to more reliably and accurately measure various contaminants, including PFAS, in drinking water.
- 5) Administrative/legislative actions to improve clarity and workability of CEQA, and eliminate other duplicative state processes.
- 6) Streamlining water, recycled and desalinated water, wastewater ~~projects~~, and/or environmental restoration projects, from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
- 7) Administrative, legislative and/or regulatory actions that ~~p~~Provides liability protections to public water districts, and related wholesale water providers, seeking to consolidate with or serve as the administrator for troubled water systems that cannot consistently demonstrate that they are able to provide safe, clean and reliable water supplies to their customers.
- 8) State-funded groundwater basin contamination studies and associated economic or environmental impacts.
- 9) ~~Supports the e~~Efforts by the water industry to promote policies that enhance the pace and scale of headwaters and forest management, including improved planning, coordination, and implementation; increase financing, research, and resources to protect water supply and quality; bring management practices in line with modern challenges; and provide multiple benefits to the State's water users.
- 10) ~~Support the~~The eradication and prevention of invasive species from becoming established in or around water supplies.
- 11) Legislation and/or regulations that enforce against cannabis growers' water theft and/or negative impacts to water quality.

**It is MWDOC's policy to oppose:**

- 1) Legislation or regulation that would mandate an unscientifically supported federal or state maximum contaminant level, or that would ~~mandate~~ing an artificial deadline for promulgating a maximum contaminant level for drinking water.
- 2) Legislation, regulation or other policy that would hold drinking water and wastewater facilities liable for PFAS contamination caused by third parties; or that does not clearly state that the party directly responsible for the PFAS pollution is solely liable for the costs associated with the contamination cleanup.

## **METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

### **It is MWDOC's policy to oppose legislation or regulation that:**

- 1) Compromises the existing governance structure and the representation of member agencies on the Metropolitan Water District Board of Directors.
- 2) Would restrict MET's rate-making ability.

## **WATER TRANSFERS**

### **It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation and regulation that:**

- 1) Encourages and facilitates voluntary water transfers, or streamlines the transfer approval process.
- 2) Provides appropriate protection or mitigation for impacts on the environment, aquifers, water-rights holders, and third-parties to the transfer, including those with interests in the facilities being used.

### **It is MWDOC's policy to oppose legislation or regulation that:**

- 1) Undermines the operations and maintenance of the conveyance system conveying the water.
- 2) Interferes with the financial integrity of a water utility, or compromises water quality and/or reliability.

## **WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING AND PROJECT FUNDING**

### **It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation and regulation that:**

- 1) Employs a "beneficiary pays" principle that establishes a clear nexus between the costs paid to the direct benefit received.
- 2) Reduces the cost of financing water infrastructure planning and construction, and establishes grants or other funding and finance opportunities.
- 3) Considers local investments made in infrastructure, programs, mitigation and restoration in determining appropriate cost-shares for water infrastructure, and project investments.

### **It is MWDOC's policy to oppose legislation or regulation that:**

- 1) Establishes a fee or tax that does not result in a clear and proportional benefit to the District, its member agencies, and their customers.

2) Would reduce the total available water infrastructure financing measures such as WIFIA, state-revolving funds, and others.

## **ENERGY**

### **It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation or regulation that:**

1) Facilitates the development and expansion of clean, and cost-effective renewable energy in California, and recognizes hydroelectric power as a clean, renewable energy source and that its generation and use meets the greenhouse gas emission reduction compliance requirements called for in the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB 32 and SB 100).

2) Facilitates voluntary and cost-effective local investments in renewable energy, energy management and storage, and energy efficiency which improve the water-energy nexus and reduce local agency costs.

3) Provides water agencies greater flexibility to run backup generators to support critical facilities during energy crises, de-energization and PSPS events.

## **FISCAL POLICY**

### **It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation or regulation that:**

1) Allows retail water providers to voluntarily offer localized Water Rate Assistance Programs that comply with Proposition 218 of California's Constitution and/or are funded either voluntarily or via non-restricted/non-water-rates revenues.

2) Supports Proposition 13 as embodied in Article XIII A of the California Constitution, and oppose the "split roll" efforts that would increase property taxes on businesses.

3) Changes how inverse condemnation liability is determined for water service providers in order to limit water agency liability for impacts of wildfire.

### **It is MWDOC's policy to oppose legislation or regulation that:**

1) Is inconsistent with the District's current investment policies and practices.

2) Pre-empts the District's or its member agencies' ability to impose or change cost-of-service-based water rates, fees, or assessments, or requires them to submit their rates or charges to any state agency for approval.

3) Impairs the District's or its member agencies' ability to maintain levels of reserve funds that they~~it~~ deem~~s~~ necessary and appropriate. Staff Note: Recommend by Mesa Water District

4) Makes any unilateral reallocation of District revenues, or those of its member agencies, by the state unless the state takes compensatory measures to restore those funds.

5) Mandates a specific rate structure for water agencies.



6) Imposes a “public goods charge” “water user fee”, or “water tax” on public water agencies or their ratepayers.

## **GOVERNANCE**

**It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation or regulation that:**

- 1) Advances good government practices and public transparency measures in a manner that does not take a "one-size-fits-all" approach, respects local government control, and facilitates technological efficiencies to meet state reporting and disclosure requirements.
- 2) Supports or facilitates responsible programs, procedures, and methods that promote collaboration, transparency and open government.

**It is MWDOC's policy to oppose legislation or regulation that:**

- 1) Imposes unnecessarily broad burdens or new costs upon all local governments absent a clear and necessary benefit.
- 2) Reduces or diminishes the authority of the District to govern its affairs.
- 3) Resolves state budget shortfalls through shifts in the allocation of property tax revenue or through fees for which there is no direct nexus to benefits received.

## **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSION REFORM**

**It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation that:**

- 1) Seeks to contain public employee pension and other post-employment benefit (OPEB) cost obligations that are borne by public agencies via taxpayers and ratepayers.

## **EMERGENCY RESPONSE**

**It is MWDOC's policy to support legislation that:**

- 1) Increases coordination on Homeland Security and emergency response efforts among the federal, state, and local governments with clearly defined roles and responsibilities for each.
- 2) Provides continued funding to enhance and maintain local Homeland Security infrastructure, including physical and cyber protection of critical infrastructure.
- 3) Ensures adequate funding for expenditures related to disaster response and all phases of emergency management; including the earthquake early notification system and efforts to enhance water infrastructure resiliency.

- 4) Strengthens intergovernmental planning and preparation coordination for emergency response and drills.
- 5) Enhances protection of information and cyber security for critical infrastructure through policy and funding for local efforts.
- 6) Supports water utility capability to notify customers of emergency protective measures through mass notification systems.
- 7) Properly recognizes water agencies' role in emergency response to wildfires and other natural disasters, where water service is needed or may be impacted, because water and wastewater services are essential public utilities that ensure public health and safety.

Item No. 5

**MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY***Fiscal Year 2022-23****Sole Source Procurement Justification  
for Projects under \$25,000\****

- A. Supplier Information/Name of Company and Prime Contact at the Supplier and at MWDOC: PLANETBIDS, INC.
- B. Contract awards to Supplier over prior 36-months:  
June 5, 2020 - \$3,875
- C. Product(s) or Service(s) to be provided and Deliverables: Bid management support services
- D. Justification Definition: No other alternate with similar services and saturation of construction contractors
- E. Narrative Explanation: Bidder awareness has been one of the challenges we have been facing in securing sufficient numbers of quality bids for construction projects. For the kitchen remodel project, we are seeking additional avenues of outreach to ensure a sufficient number of quality bids. PlanetBids provides bid management support services to many public agencies including Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and the County of Orange. PlanetBids is a web-based eProcurement company that allows organizations to conduct procurement activities, such as construction bidding and contracting through the internet. PlanetBids is widely recognized as a resource for connecting public agencies with construction contractors and manages tens of thousands of users that interact with the PlanetBids system. MWDOC successfully used PlanetBids in 2020 to secure sufficient and quality bids for the recent seismic retrofit and remodel of the administration building.
- F. Budget Line Item Reference & Amount: 8811-2000-19; \$3,933.13
- G. Core or Choice designation: Core
- H. Signature/Approvals:

*cathleen harris*

9/20/22

Requestor

Date

DocuSigned by:

*Harvey De La Torre*

9/21/2022 | 9:48 AM PDT

Harvey De La Torre, Assistant General Manager  
on behalf of Robert J. Hunter, General Manager

Date

\* Projects over \$25,000 must go to a Committee of the Board.

\*\* Possible justifications include but are not limited to: Only qualified bidder; Proprietary item; Urgent necessity; Bid process did not produce competitors; Governmental agency, association or Utility; Prior phase of professional services contract completed successfully by same Consultant; and Special technical expertise by Consultant for tasks desired.

PLANETBIDS, INC.  
13263 VENTURA BLVD, SUITE 101  
STUDIO CITY, CA 91604  
(818) 992-1771

Invoice

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| 1                            | PB_System | Fiscal Year 22/23: PB System Vendor and Bid Management service and support and for up to 1 Full Access Users as per Support Services Agreement (SSA). |           |     | 3,933.13   | 3,933.13   |
| Thank you for your business. |           |                                                                                                                                                       |           |     | Total      | \$3,933.13 |



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## PB System™ SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT

This SUPPORT SERVICES AGREEMENT ("Agreement"), which describes the terms and conditions applicable to your use of the PlanetBids Online Support Services, is made and entered as of into the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020, by and between PLANETBIDS, INC., a California corporation, ("PlanetBids") and the following customer ("Customer") for the period from 07-01-20 to 06-30-23:

|                    |                                                  |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Customer Name:     | <u>Municipal Water District of Orange County</u> |
| Street Address     | <u>18700 Ward Street</u>                         |
| City, State ZIP    | <u>Fountain Valley, CA 92708</u>                 |
| Department:        | <u>Engineering</u>                               |
| Principal Contact: | <u>Chris Lingad</u>                              |
| Title:             | <u>Associate Engineer</u>                        |
| Phone & Email:     | <u>714.593.5009, clingad@mwdoc.com</u>           |
| Method of Payment: | <u>Net 30 days</u>                               |

**THEREFORE**, PlanetBids and the Customer agree as follows:

**1. PlanetBids Services.** Upon acceptance of this Agreement, PlanetBids shall provide the following Support Services to Customer, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and as more fully described in Exhibit "A".

- a) **"Services"** shall include one or more of the following currently offered PlanetBids PB System™ modules or features if, and only if, listed in Exhibit "A" hereto:
- (i) use of the PlanetBids "PB System™" by a specific number of Customer licensed System users
  - (ii) Additional Customer licensed module users
  - (iii) Vendor management and Bid management modules for vendor registration, posting and tracking Bid Requests and other information on Customer's website or private internet network, and, at Customer's option, to process and distribute Bid Requests to additionally available PlanetBids suppliers within their selected categories;
  - (iv) Advanced eBidding for Public Works add-on module;
  - (v) Evaluation Management add-on module;
  - (vi) Business Certification module;
    - Prequalification Management (CUPCCAA or Standard version)
    - Business Forms
  - (vii) Contract Management module;

- (viii) Insurance Certificate Management module;
- (ix) Insurance Certificate Management with My Insurance module;
- (x) Emergency Operations module (agency-wide access);
- (xi) an optional Reverse Auction feature that enables licensed Systems users to solicit bids from prospective suppliers selected by Customer in a price only based blind bidding process, which can be activated by giving notice thereof to PlanetBids in writing or by email
- (xii) access and use of the PlanetBids "Outreach" database.

**Customer shall not have access or use of any modules or features not listed in Exhibit "A"**

b) PlanetBids shall have access and the right to market or otherwise promote its services to any vendor or supplier of Customer that registers with PB System™ via Customer's site on the PlanetBids PB System™. PlanetBids will not sell any Customer data to any third parties without a written consent from Customer.

c) Internet related equipment by its nature, is not fault tolerant, but PlanetBids (1 will use reasonable efforts to make the Services available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, excluding downtime for scheduled and unscheduled maintenance, and (2) will promptly investigate any technical problems that Customer reports. **PlanetBids cannot, however, guarantee continuous service, service at any particular time or the integrity of data transmitted via the Internet. Further, PlanetBids shall not be responsible for the inadvertent disclosure, corruption or erasure of data transmitted, received or stored on the PB System™.**

d) PlanetBids may make improvements and/or amendments to the PB System™ at any time, and may provide other optional services, including enhanced versions of standard features or functions, for an additional fee as agreed in advance by the Customer. Any and all relevant portions of these terms and conditions will automatically apply to all such improvements, amendments and/or optional services as they appear.

**PlanetBids does not guarantee that use of the Services will produce any quotes, business opportunities or other information helpful to the business of Customer, nor does it guarantee that any contact provided will be adequate or best suited for any transaction.**

## **2. Fees and Payments.**

**Support Fees.** Customer agrees to pay PlanetBids set up and services fees as set forth in Exhibit "B" hereto.

a) **Additional Services; Fees.** If requested by Customer, PlanetBids will provide any or all of the following additional services at the fees set forth in Exhibit "B":

- 1) Customization work in addition to standard set-up shall be contracted in the following manner and at PlanetBids' current standard rates: (a) Customer shall submit a written request describing the proposed project; (b) PlanetBids conduct a feasibility and assessment of the project and the work required, (c) if the project is technically feasible, PlanetBids will submit to Customer a written estimate setting forth the price, estimated schedule and any conditions of the project.. PlanetBids shall not proceed until approval is received in writing from Customer.
- 2) Training to Customer's designated users, in addition to that provided pursuant to Section 2(a)(1), is available at rates set in Exhibit "B".
- 3) For its own internal retrieval and restoration purposes, PlanetBids will record and maintain for a limited time a back-up of all data appearing on



Customer's website on a daily basis. The duration of such data retained will be for a minimum of 7 years and determined by PlanetBids in its sole discretion thereafter. However, Customer may, during the term of this Agreement, access and retrieve data in text delimited Microsoft Excel format and documents, at no cost. Additional Services related to the retrieval or restoration of any of Customer's data from such back-up files are available if necessary, at rates set forth in Exhibit "B".

b) **Purchase Orders/Billing.** Purchase orders, billing or any related matters must be emailed to [alan@planetbids.com](mailto:alan@planetbids.com) or mailed to the following address;

**PlanetBids, Inc.  
13263 Ventura Blvd., Suite 101  
Studio City, CA 91604  
Attn: Alan Zavian**

### 3. Use of Services.

a) The compilations of data and content contained in the PlanetBids "Outreach" database is the proprietary information of PlanetBids. PlanetBids grants to Customer a non-exclusive right to use Outreach compilations solely in connection with bids and procurements solicited using the PlanetBids PB System™ Vendor Management and Bid Management. Customer agrees that it will not copy, use or access the Outreach compilations for any other purpose or for use in connection with any other bid or procurement solicitation service. In addition, Customer agrees to use information obtained through the Services only as necessary to the transaction of Customer and shall not use the Services for the benefit of any third party.

b) PlanetBids is not responsible for the content and/or transactions that Customer post on or through the Services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, PlanetBids reserves the right to monitor content that uses the Services and, in addition to other remedies for breach provided in this Agreement, to remove content which PlanetBids determines to be illegal, offensive, harmful or otherwise in violation of its operation policies.

1) Customer agrees to comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations and prudent business practices related to the use of Services; and not make any unauthorized commercial use of the Services or of the PlanetBids name, marks or logos. Further, Customer agrees to not use the PlanetBids websites to (i) post information anonymously or under a false name; (ii) post any unlawful, threatening, abusive, harassing, libelous, defamatory, obscene, pornographic, profane or otherwise objectionable information of any kind, such as inducements to conduct that would constitute a criminal offense or give rise to civil or other liability, (iii) post the name of or otherwise identify or reference any service or entity that provides a service competitive to the Services.

2) If Customer uses standard identification codes, PlanetBids shall have the right to request for inspection an original copy of such codes and any necessary authorizations for use. If such identification codes are proprietary codes of third parties, such as NIGP, SIC or CSI, it shall be the responsibility of Customer to obtain the necessary licenses and Customer indemnifies and holds harmless PlanetBids from the unauthorized use or publication of any such identification codes with respect to the Services.

3) It shall be the responsibility of Customer to collect and pay any taxes, duties, imposts or tariffs that are applicable to sales via the Services.

c) Although the Customer's solicitation, bid and contract information is collected, processed, managed and stored on the PlanetBids PB System™, PlanetBids does not control or monitor any of such information or processes and is not aware of the specific uses thereof by the Services. Customer hereby releases, indemnifies, and holds harmless PlanetBids and its agents, employees, and affiliates from all claims, demands, costs and damages (actual and consequential) of every kind and nature arising out of or related to the communications or Bid Requests and the completed or uncompleted transactions of Customer utilizing the Services.

#### **4. Warranty.**

a) PlanetBids warrants that (i) the performance of Services by PlanetBids shall comply with all applicable federal, state, county and local laws and ordinances, and the PlanetBids PB System™ will comply with all applicable safety regulations and codes, (ii) all Services to be performed hereunder will be performed in a professional and workmanlike fashion and will comply with industry standards, (iii) the PlanetBids PB System™ does not infringe or violate any third party patent, copyright or other intellectual property, (iv) the PlanetBids PB System™ will be free from any liens, encumbrances or claims, and for a period of 90 days initial access by Customer, will conform in all material respects to applicable specifications and product descriptions. Further, PlanetBids will not knowingly include therein any malicious code designed to disrupt or otherwise impair the operation of the Services or to permit any surreptitious collection of information.

b) PLANETBIDS MAKES NO OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, OR NONINFRINGEMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OR OTHER VIOLATION OF RIGHTS, EVEN IF PLANETBIDS HAS BEEN MADE AWARE IN ADVANCE OF SUCH POTENTIAL RISK, NOR ANY WARRANTY REGARDING THE ACCURACY, LIKELY RESULTS, OR THE RELIABILITY OF ANY SITES LINKED INTO THE SERVICES. IN NO EVENT SHALL THE AGGREGATE LIABILITY OF PLANETBIDS EXCEED THE TOTAL FEES PAID BY CUSTOMER TO PLANETBIDS DURING THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE DATE OF THE APPLICABLE CLAIM.

c) Customer represents and warrants (a) the Customer information provided is current, complete and accurate, (b) that the person signing this Agreement is authorized to bind Customer, (c) Customer will update the information (including credit card information, if applicable) as required to keep such information current, complete and accurate. PlanetBids may, in its sole discretion, cancel or terminate this Agreement if Customer has willfully violated its obligations hereunder.

**5. Indemnity.** Each party will indemnify and defend and hold harmless the other party from and against all claims, liabilities, damages and expenses, including reasonable attorney fees, arising out of any property damage, personal injury or death, sustained by such other party as a result of the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the indemnifying party or its agents or employees.

#### **6. Termination.**

a) **Termination for Cause.** This Agreement may be terminated by either party by providing the non-terminating party with no less than forty-five (45) business days written notice (and reasonable opportunity to cure) upon the occurrence of any breach of any material term or condition of this Agreement or any representation or warranty herein.

b) **Termination Other Than for Cause.** Customer may terminate this Agreement without cause by giving PlanetBids no less than sixty (60) days written notice before the effective date of such termination. In such case, the effective date of termination shall be the anniversary of the date for Year 1 and Year 2 of this Agreement that first occurs following the



end of the foregoing notice period each consecutive year. PlanetBids shall have no obligation to refund or prorate any fees or charges paid by Customer.

## **7. Confidentiality.**

a) PlanetBids will take reasonable measures not to disclose website communications or information about its Customers, except to the extent that PlanetBids believes in good faith that such action is within the scope of the Services or reasonably necessary to (a) comply with the law or the directives of courts or governmental agencies; (b) enforce this Agreement; (c) respond to claims of any third party; or (d) protect the legitimate interests of PlanetBids or its customers. Notwithstanding the foregoing, all communications directed to PlanetBids via the website such as questions, comments, inquiries, shall be deemed to be not confidential, unless specifically agreed otherwise in advance by PlanetBids.

b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, PlanetBids will have the right to use Customer's name in the performance of the Services, as a prospective user of products and services in the PlanetBids "Outreach" database, and to identify Customer as a customer and/or user of the Services for advertising, promotion and other reasonable business purposes. Further, PlanetBids may use any voluntary feedback of Customer for any reasonable business purpose that is not injurious to Customer.

**8. Copyright Protection.** The PB System™ and PlanetBids' date formats and compilations are protected by worldwide copyright laws and related international treaties, and may not be copied, reproduced, modified, published, uploaded, posted, transmitted, or distributed in any form or by any means other than as described herein. All rights not expressly granted herein are reserved. Any unauthorized use of the materials appearing on PlanetBids website may violate copyright, trademark and other applicable laws and could result in criminal or civil penalties.

a) Customer shall not reproduce, duplicate, copy, sell, resell or exploit for any commercial purpose the Services, website content, the PB System™ or any other PlanetBids tools. Customer shall not reverse engineer, decompile, or otherwise attempt to derive source code from any software or tools accessible or available through the Services.

b) Special use requests should be sent to [customerservice@PlanetBids.com](mailto:customerservice@PlanetBids.com). Permission to use shall be granted in the sole discretion of PlanetBids.

## **9. Security.**

(a) The PlanetBids ordering and posting processes are protected by the Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) protocol, which encrypts your information and confirms the identity of the PlanetBids server before allowing a transaction to be completed. It is recommended that Customer use the latest browsers to ensure that the SSL protocol is acceptable and you are protected by advances in security technology. For more detailed information, please refer to the PlanetBids Privacy Policy.

(b) Password-protection techniques will be provided to restrict access under Customer's account to authorized individuals. REGISTRANT ACKNOWLEDGES, HOWEVER, THAT ACCESS RESTRICTIONS, BY THEIR NATURE, ARE CAPABLE OF BYPASS AND PLANETBIDS DOES NOT GUARANTEE THAT THE SERVICES CANNOT BE ACCESSED BY UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS. Customer shall at all times maintain as confidential its user names and passwords. If Customer is a corporation or other business entity, then it may allow employees to use its user name and password, but the Customer shall be responsible for all activity and charges incurred by such employees and any fees resulting from the activation of

the Reverse Auction feature. Permitting third parties to use the Services is prohibited and a violation of this Agreement.

(c) If a security breach occurs with respect to any account, the Customer must immediately change its password and notify PlanetBids at [customerservice@PlanetBids.com](mailto:customerservice@PlanetBids.com). Customer shall be liable for any unauthorized use of the Services until PlanetBids is notified of the security breach.

## 10. Other Provisions.

a) **Notices.** PlanetBids shall provide notice to Customer via email, or (at its discretion) via certified U.S. Mail, to the address provided in this Agreement or such other address provided by Customer to PlanetBids. Customer shall provide notice to PlanetBids via email to [customerservice@PlanetBids.com](mailto:customerservice@PlanetBids.com), with a copy sent via certified U.S. Mail to the address on the membership registration. Notices will be effective 6 hours after sending if sent via email (unless the sender receives a response indicating that the message was undelivered) or 3 business days after the mailing date, whether or not received.

b) **Assignment.** Customer shall not assign this Agreement or any of its rights or obligations without the prior written consent of PlanetBids, and any such attempted assignment will be void. Subject to the above, this Agreement will be binding upon the parties' respective successors and permitted assigns.

c) **No Waiver.** The failure of PlanetBids to exercise or enforce any right or provision under this Agreement will not constitute a waiver of such right or provision. If any provision of this Agreement is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the parties nevertheless agree that the court should endeavor to give effect to the parties' intentions as reflected in the provision, and the other provisions of the terms and conditions shall remain in full force and effect.

d) **Governing Law.** The interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement shall be governed by laws of the United States of America and the State of California, excluding its choice of law rules and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the court located in Los Angeles County, California.

e) **Force Majeure.** PlanetBids will not be liable in any amount for failure to perform any obligation under this Agreement if such failure is caused by Internet outages or delays, unauthorized access (hacking), earthquakes, communications outages, fire, flood, war, an act of God, or the occurrence of any other unforeseen contingency beyond the reasonable control of PlanetBids.

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**AGREED** effective as of the date first written above.

PLANETBIDS, INC.

Municipal Water District of Orange County

By: 

Alan Zavian, Chief Executive Officer

By: 

Robert J. Hunter, General Manager

6/8/2020

(Date)

6-5-2020

(Date)

## EXHIBIT "A"

## STATEMENT OF WORK FOR SETUP, IMPLEMENTATION AND TRAINING

### 1. Customer System Configuration:

Services available to Customer shall include:

**A.** Access for up to one (1) full licensed users of Customer to the following module(s) of the PlanetBids "PB System™":

(i) Vendor management and Bid management modules

**B.** Access and use of the PlanetBids "Outreach" database (included with PB System™ at no additional cost)

### 2. PB System™ Access Services:

PlanetBids rate for maintaining the PB System™ vendor and bid management is based upon an unlimited number of monthly transactions (Bids) and up to x times the number of full System user licenses acquired by Customer. PB System™ Access Services include the following:

- System Administration – PlanetBids will be responsible for system and data back-ups, disaster recovery, system reliability, availability, privacy, and security
- Hosting Infrastructure – PlanetBids will be responsible for hosting PB System™, maintaining the network, hardware and software infrastructure
- Customer Service – Is available from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. PST, Monday through Friday (see Help Desk definition below)
- Account Management – PlanetBids will provide a dedicated Account Manager for post-sales support, PB System™ questions.

### 3. PB System™ Set-up, Implementation and Training:

- PlanetBids will initially install for Customer the specified number of licensed System users
- PlanetBids will provide a 2-hours training online for PB System™ Vendor Management and Bid Management modules

### 4. PB System™ set-up, implementation and training consists of the following:

#### **A. Initial program definition**

The PlanetBids implementation manager will work with one (1) designated Customer project manager to develop a roadmap for system implementation. The implementation manager will define and present a project management schedule to the Customer project manager. Customer will be required to submit information according with the project management schedule. Upon completion and review of the PB System™ by Customer, online training will be scheduled and performed.

#### **B. System implementation and administration**

PlanetBids will enter and configure Customer requirements into PB System™ for each licensed user access for Customer.

The following implementation services will be provided:

- a. Link from and to Customer's procurement web page.
- b. Online customized vendor registration form and ability to have vendors maintain their profiles.
- c. Complete management tools access to all users (i.e. buyers, project managers...).
- d. Customer specific database.
- e. Complete bid management from bid submission to awarding.
- f. Electronic bidding - Vendors submit bid quotes/responses online; Buyers analyze bid responses and award.
- g. Daily backups.
- h. PB System™ users and vendor support for the duration of the contract.

## **5. Professional Services**

PlanetBids will provide consulting services for custom reports or PB System™ customizations, specific to Customer, not covered by this Statement of Work at an additional charge. Additional consulting services requested in writing by Customer will be billed at the rates set forth in Exhibit "B". No work will begin on professional services before a mutually agreed-upon statement of work is completed.

## **6. Help Desk**

The PlanetBids Help Desk is available for "Level 2" support (as defined below) via our telephone number (818) 992-1771, from 8:00am to 5:00pm PST, Monday through Friday. Email Support, support@PlanetBids.com as well as on-line help services are also available.

To provide instant service to vendors and contractors, PlanetBids recommends Customer to initiate or provide basic "Level 1" support although PlanetBids will provide Level 1 or Level 2 support at any time:

- A Level 1 support representative will attempt to answer most or all questions, including help to vendors with simple problems (edit profile, etc.) or general "how-to" questions (search functionality, bidding, etc.). PB System™ related questions by Vendors/Contractors that cannot be answered or supported by Customer should be directed to a PlanetBids support representative. More complex, technical questions should be directed to a Level 2 PlanetBids support representative.
- A Level 2 support is more technical in nature. Level 2 questions may, for example, deal with Customer users (i.e. PB System™ administrative users including buyers, project administrators, etc.) or with password issues requiring special assistance, or with possible product bugs or failures. In this case, some research and investigation may be required.

## **7. User License(s) Management**

It is the responsibility of Customer to monitor and maintain usernames and passwords if and when a licensed user of the PB System™ needs to be reassigned to a new user within the Customer's organization.

## EXHIBIT "B"

## FEES AND PAYMENTS

a. **Support Fees.** Customer agrees to pay PlanetBids a total of \$3,875.00 for Year 1. Payment for Year 1 shall be due and payable 30 days from the time of execution of this Agreement. The fees for each Year 2 and Year 3 as outlined in Table (A) below and are payable in advance within 30 days of the first day of each such year:

- 1) **Set-Up Fee.** Customer shall not pay a one-time set-up fee for the Vendor and Bid management for the installation, customization and testing of the PB System™ portal link to Customer's website, plus administrator set-up and one-time online user training for up to the number of user licenses and additional modules as outlined in this Agreement and Exhibit "A".
- 2) **Service Fee Payment.** Customer agrees to pay for the use of the PB System™ modules; a service fee of \$3,875.00 for Year 1 of this Agreement, and for each Year 2 and Year 3 as outlined in Table (A). A one and a half (1.5) percent increase in fees applies upon renewal for Year 3, as outlined in Table (A).

Table (A)

| PB System™ MODULES                                          | SETUP      | YEAR 1<br>2020-2021 | YEAR 2<br>2021-2022 | YEAR 3<br>2022-2023 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Vendor Management & Bid Management<br>(1 Full User License) | \$0.00     | \$3,875.00          | \$3,875.00          | \$3,933.13          |
| Sub-Total                                                   | \$0.00     | \$3,875.00          | \$3,875.00          | \$3,933.13          |
| TOTAL                                                       | \$3,875.00 |                     | \$3,875.00          | \$3,933.13          |

b. **Additional Services.** If requested by Customer in writing, PlanetBids will provide any or all of the following additional services. The following rates are current as of the date of this Agreement but are subject to an increase of not more than 10% per year after the first year of this Agreement.

- 1) Training: \$650.00, for a single online training session of up to 2 hours.
- 2) Data Retrieval and Restoration: \$125.00 per hour, unless otherwise quoted for a specific project.
- 3) Travel: All on-site travel expenses will be passed-through to Customer. No travel will be expensed without the prior approval of Customer's management.



**INFORMATION ITEM**

October 3, 2022

**TO: Planning & Operations Committee**  
(Directors Tamaribuchi, Nederhood, McVicker)

**FROM: Robert Hunter, General Manager**

Staff Contact: Damon Micalizzi

**SUBJECT: 2022 OC Water Summit Recap**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Staff recommends that the Public Affairs & Legislation Committee: Receive and file the report.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

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The committee recommends (To be determined at Committee Meeting)

**DETAILED REPORT**

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More than four hundred people registered for the 2022 OC Water Summit, held at Disney's Grand Californian Hotel on Friday, September 16, 2022.

On short notice, former Metropolitan General Manager Jeff Kightlinger stepped in for Fritz Coleman, who unexpectedly had to bow out as emcee. The event, 'California Dreamin' – Making Water Infrastructure A Reality,' featured sessions on drought and the Colorado River, the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, and how to fast-track projects that have been in the works for decades. Featured presenters included former Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, Brenda Burman, Director of the Department of Water Resources, Karla Nemeth, Assemblyman Devin Mathis, Dr. Jerry Meral, and Delta Watermaster Michael George.

A post-event survey has been sent to attendees, and initial feedback regarding the program and speakers has been positive. Once completed, survey results and the final accounting report will be furnished to the Board at a future meeting.



**INFORMATION ITEM**

October 3, 2022

**TO: Planning & Operations Committee**  
(Directors Tamaribuchi, McVicker, Nederhood)

**FROM: Robert Hunter, General Manager**

Staff Contact: Sarah Wilson

**SUBJECT: MWDOC Choice School Programs Update**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

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Staff recommends the Planning & Operations Committee receive and file this report.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

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Committee recommends (To be determined at Committee Meeting)

**SUMMARY**

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The Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) K-12 Choice School Program contractors—Shows That Teach and Orange County Department of Education's Inside the Outdoors—have started to book live, interactive water lessons for the 2022/23 school year.

Included in this report is a preview of scheduled visits for the months of October and November 2022. MWDOC Choice School Program contractors update the shared Google Calendar so that participating agencies are able to view sessions in their service area as they are booked. Please note that the shared Google Calendar is updated frequently, and will always have the most accurate information. Visits are subject to change due to school and teacher availability. Login information for the shared Google Calendar is available upon request.

**DETAILED REPORT**

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All MWDOC K-12 Choice School Programs incorporate hands-on interaction, pre- and post-program activities, and opportunities for family and community engagement. Sessions are

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| <b>Budgeted (Y/N): Y</b>                      | Budgeted amount: \$ 447,694 | Core <u>  </u>     | Choice <u>X</u> |
| <b>Action item amount:</b>                    |                             | Line item: 63-7040 |                 |
| <b>Fiscal Impact (explain if unbudgeted):</b> |                             |                    |                 |



offered to schools as either in-person or virtual. Included in this report is a detailed breakdown of each program's progress including teacher feedback, video links, and more.



**MWDOC Choice Elementary School  
Program (Grades K-2)  
October 3, 2022**

Shows That Teach offers Orange County students in grades K-2 fun and informative assemblies that use music, humor, and audience participation to engage students in water-centric topics such as the water cycle, water supply resources, and using water wisely. This interactive program also includes hands-on pre- and post-activities that encourage students to reflect on their relationship with water. This program is offered either in person or virtually to K-2 students combined. Multiple classrooms and grade levels can participate simultaneously.

**COMPLETED PARTICIPATION TO DATE:**

Totals reflect the number of presentations *completed* and students seen since the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

- **In-person presentations hosted: 3**
- **Virtual presentations hosted: 0**
- **Total number of students seen: 550**
- **Presentations have been completed in the following service areas:** City of Anaheim, City of Garden Grove, City of Westminster

**SCHEDULED PARTICIPATION TO DATE:**

Totals reflect the number of presentations currently *scheduled* and students expected to participate in the upcoming months of the 2022-2023 school year.

- **In-person presentations scheduled: 31**
- **Virtual presentations scheduled: 0**
- **Total number of students expected: 4,305**
- **Upcoming presentations have been scheduled in the following service areas:** City of Anaheim, El Toro Water District, City of Fullerton, City of Garden Grove, City of Huntington Beach, Moulton Niguel Water District, City of Orange, City of San Clemente, City of Santa Ana, South Coast Water District, Trabuco Canyon Water District, City of Tustin, City of Westminster

**ADDITIONAL PROGRAM DETAILS AND MEASUREMENTS:**

“It was very engaging and students really enjoyed it.” – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher, Carrillo Elementary School, City of Westminster service area



**MWDOC Choice Elementary School  
Program (Grades 3-5)  
October 3, 2022**

Orange County Department of Education's Inside the Outdoors offers Orange County students in grades 3-5 interactive, grade-specific lessons that engage students in valuable instruction on the history of California water, local climate and water sources, and how to use water efficiently. Each session includes student prompted interaction, demonstrations, and pre- and post-activities that guide students to examine how access to a reliable source of drinking water is important to every community. Participating students and their families also receive resources that complement the topics covered during the classroom session. This program is offered either in person or virtually to students in grades 3-5.

- ◆ **3rd Grade:** Compare and describe diverse weather and climate data and explore personal choices to protect our local water resources.
- ◆ **4th Grade:** Identify the key role water plays in California's history including the growth and expansion of towns and cities.
- ◆ **5th Grade:** Examine existing water management solutions and determine ways to protect the quality and quantity of water.

**COMPLETED PARTICIPATION TO DATE:**

Totals reflect the number of presentations *completed* and students seen since the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

- ◆ **In-person presentations hosted:** 0
- ◆ **Virtual presentations hosted:** 0
- ◆ **Total number of students seen:** 0
- ◆ **Presentations have been completed in the following service areas:** N/A

**SCHEDULED PARTICIPATION TO DATE:**

Totals reflect the number of presentations currently *scheduled* and students expected to participate in the upcoming months of the 2022-2023 school year.

- ◆ **In-person presentations scheduled:** 56
- ◆ **Virtual presentations scheduled:** 0
- ◆ **Total number of students expected:** 4,018
- ◆ **Upcoming presentations have been scheduled in the following service areas:**  
City of Anaheim, City of Santa Ana, City of Fullerton, City of Westminster, City of Garden Grove, Moulton Niguel Water District, City of La Habra, South Coast Water District, City of Huntington Beach, Santa Margarita Water District

### **ADDITIONAL PROGRAM DETAILS AND MEASUREMENTS:**

To date, OCDE/ITO has received interest from the following schools and is working with teachers to schedule those presentations:

- Five (5) schools in the City of Garden Grove's service area
- Two (2) schools in the City of Fountain Valley's service area
- Two (2) schools in the City of Westminster's service area
- Two (2) schools in Moulton Niguel Water District's service area
- Five (5) schools in the City of Santa Ana's service area
- One (1) school in the City of Orange's service area



## MWDOC Choice Middle and High School Programs (Grades 6-12) October 3, 2022

Orange County Department of Education's Inside the Outdoors offers Orange County students in grades 6-12 grade-specific classroom sessions that guide students to investigate challenges faced by water providers and identify sources of human impact on the quality, quantity, and availability of water in their communities. Each session includes student prompted interaction, demonstrations, and pre- and post-activities that engage students in developing solutions to real-world problems. Participating students also have the opportunity to engage in field study or volunteer days of service to receive credit toward their required service hours. This program is offered either in person or virtually to students in grades 6-12.

- ◆ **6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Students analyze water samples to identify sources of potential pollution and form strategies to monitor or minimize pollution.
- ◆ **9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Students collect and analyze data to explore the role of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and its connection to our local water resources.

### COMPLETED PARTICIPATION TO DATE:

Totals reflect the number of presentations *completed* and students seen since the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

#### Middle School Program (Grades 6-8)

- ◆ In-person presentations hosted: 0
- ◆ Virtual presentations hosted: 0
- ◆ Total number of students seen: 0
- ◆ Presentations have been completed in the following service areas: N/A

#### High School Program (Grades 9-12)

- ◆ In-person presentations hosted: 0
- ◆ Virtual presentations hosted: 0
- ◆ Total number of students seen: 0
- ◆ Presentations have been completed in the following service areas: N/A

### SCHEDULED PARTICIPATION TO DATE:

Totals reflect the number of presentations currently *scheduled* and students expected to participate in the upcoming months of the 2021-2022 school year.

#### Middle School Program (Grades 6-8)

- ◆ In-person presentations scheduled: 0
- ◆ Virtual presentations scheduled: 0

- ◆ Total number of students expected: 0
- ◆ Upcoming presentations have been scheduled in the following service areas:  
N/A

#### High School Program (Grades 9-12)

- ◆ In-person presentations scheduled: 3
- ◆ Virtual presentations scheduled: 0
- ◆ Total number of students expected: 102
- ◆ Upcoming presentations have been scheduled in the following service areas:  
City of Anaheim

#### ADDITIONAL PROGRAM DETAILS AND MEASUREMENTS:

To date, OCDE/ITO has received interest from the following schools and is working with teachers to schedule those presentations:

- Two (2) schools from the City of Santa Ana's service area (1 middle school and 1 high school)
- One (1) middle school from Yorba Linda Water District's service area

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| <div>3</div> <div>3-5 GARDEN GROVE - Eisenhower</div> | <div>4</div> <div>3-5 ANAHEIM - Centralia Elementary</div> <div>K-2 SANTA ANA Rosita Elem</div> <div>K-2 TUSTIN Robert Heideman Elem</div>   | <div>5</div>                                                                               | <div>6</div> <div>3-5 HUNTINGTON BEACH - College</div> <div>3-5 SANTA ANA - Rosita Elementary</div> | <div>7</div> <div>3-5 SANTA ANA - Jackson</div>                                            |
| <div>10</div>                                         | <div>11</div> <div>3-5 SANTA ANA - Heroes Elementary</div>                                                                                   | <div>12</div> <div>9-12 ANAHEIM - Loara High School</div> <div>K-2 TCWD Trabuco Elem</div> | <div>13</div> <div>3-5 WESTMINSTER - Marshall</div>                                                 | <div>14</div> <div>K-2 TUSTIN Nelson Elem</div>                                            |
| <div>17</div>                                         | <div>18</div> <div>3-5 ANAHEIM - Danbrook Elementary</div> <div>K-2 SANTA ANA Fairhaven Elem</div> <div>K-2 TUSTIN Barbara Benson Elem</div> | <div>19</div>                                                                              | <div>20</div> <div>3-5 SANTA ANA - Monroe</div>                                                     | <div>21</div> <div>3-5 FULLERTON - Beechwood</div>                                         |
| <div>24</div>                                         | <div>25</div>                                                                                                                                | <div>26</div>                                                                              | <div>27</div>                                                                                       | <div>28</div> <div>K-2 GARDEN GROVE at Anderson</div> <div>K-2 SANTA ANA Esqueda Sch</div> |
| <div>31</div>                                         | <div>1</div> <div>3-5 ANAHEIM - Anaheim Hills</div> <div>3-5 ANAHEIM - Guinn Elementary</div>                                                | <div>2</div> <div>K-2 HUNTINGTON BEACH Peterson</div>                                      | <div>3</div>                                                                                        | <div>4</div> <div>3-5 ANAHEIM - Roosevelt</div>                                            |

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| 31                                 | 1<br>3-5 ANAHEIM - Anaheim Hills<br>3-5 ANAHEIM - Guinn Elementary  | 2<br>K-2 HUNTINGTON BEACH Peterson                         | 3                                 | 4<br>3-5 ANAHEIM - Roosevelt                                           |
| 7                                  | 8<br>K-2 ANAHEIM Zion Lutheran Sch<br>K-2 GARDEN GROVE St. Columban | 9<br>K-2 SAN CLEMENTE Truman                               | 10<br>3-5 LA HABRA - Ladera Palma | 11                                                                     |
| 14<br>3-5 SOUTH COAST WD - RH Dana | 15                                                                  | 16                                                         | 17                                | 18                                                                     |
| 21                                 | 22                                                                  | 23                                                         | 24                                | 25                                                                     |
| 28                                 | 29<br>K-2 ANAHEIM Canyon Rim Elem<br>K-2 FULLERTON Commonwealth     | 30<br>K-2 ORANGE West Orange Elem<br>K-2 SCWD RH Dana Elem | 1                                 | 2<br>K-2 ETWD Grace Christian Sch<br>K-2 ORANGE Covenant Christian Sch |



| <b>ENGINEERING &amp; PLANNING</b>              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>Reliability Study Update</b>                | <p>Staff have been working with consultant CDM Smith and Metropolitan Water District (MET) staff on an update to the 2018 OC Water Reliability Study (2022 OC Study). Updating of the planning assumptions and understanding of the implications will be useful to our staff, Directors, MET Directors, and member agencies for future decision considerations. This update was launched because of significant changes in conditions since the publication of the 2018 OC Study.</p> <p>The preliminary findings were presented at the September 2022 P&amp;O Committee. The next steps for the study include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incorporating comments from the P&amp;O Committee</li> <li>• Meet with MET staff to review any areas of concern (scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup>).</li> <li>• Estimate the economic benefits of improving supply reliability from local water supply projects in Orange County</li> <li>• Present findings to the MWDOC Member Agencies Managers Meeting to receive comments and input</li> <li>• Complete a draft of the report by November 2022</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Water Use Efficiency Standards Analysis</b> | <p>On May 2, 2022, the Board approved entering into an agreement with Water Systems Consulting (WSC) and sub-consultant M. Cubed to complete an economic analysis of proposed State water use efficiency standards. MWDOC has partnered with SMWD in funding this project. There are four main components of the scope of work:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A customized version of the recently completed Urban Water Use Objective Analyzer (Model) developed by M. Cubed for the Department of Water Resources (DWR). M. Cubed customized the Model to allow individual retail agencies to evaluate the impacts of the proposed standards on their operations and customers.</li> <li>2. Evaluate the relative impact of the proposed standards on Disadvantaged Communities (DACs).</li> <li>3. Evaluate compliance cost estimates for MWDOC retail water agencies with information on water service affordability.</li> <li>4. Develop a web interface of the Model using a visual analytics platform (i.e. dashboard).</li> </ol> <p>The updated Model has been completed.</p> <p>Initial findings of the analysis were presented to MWDOC's member agencies on August 9, 2022. The study findings were presented at the September 14, 2022 A&amp;F Committee meeting where a draft report was also provided.</p> <p>Next steps include inclusion of feedback from the A&amp;F meeting, and complete the web interface portion of the project to allow agencies access to the customized Water Use Objective Analyzer for their own evaluation and planning efforts.</p> |

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| <b>Doheny Ocean Desalination Project</b> | <p>South Coast Water District (SCWD) continues to develop the Doheny Ocean Desalination Project. SCWD estimates an on-line date of 2026, if approved by the SCWD Board.</p> <p>SCWD held a Special Board Meeting on September 2, 2021 to discuss the financial implications of the project. Clean Energy Capital (CEC) presented a water cost analysis for the project where CEC presented cost projections for a 2 MGD project with an estimated 1<sup>st</sup> year water cost of \$1,928/AF in 2021\$, and a 5 MGD project with an estimated 1<sup>st</sup> year water cost of \$1,479/AF in 2021\$ (later updated to \$1,807/AF in 2027\$ vs \$1,545/AF MET Rate in 2027\$).</p> <p>On March 9, 2022 the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board approved the Tentative Orders related to the NPDES permits for discharge associated with operation of the Doheny Desalination Project.</p> <p>On October 13, 2022, the California Coastal Commission will consider approving an application by South Coast Water District to construct and operate a seawater desalination facility in Dana Point with seawater intake wells to be located at Doheny State Beach.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>San Juan Basin Authority</b>          | <p>The San Juan Basin Authority (SJBA) has been conducting a hydrogeology study of the San Juan Basin to better understand how groundwater flows through the lower portions of San Juan Basin under various conditions. How groundwater flows in the vicinity of Stonehill Drive is important due to potential impacts on pumping within the basin, and also may potentially influence pumping for the Doheny Desalination project.</p> <p>A technical review panel, consisting of three teams of hydrogeologists, presented their preliminary findings at a special meeting on May 12, 2022. The presentation is available from the SJBA website:<br/> <a href="https://www.sjbaauthority.com/meetings/meetings-2022.html">https://www.sjbaauthority.com/meetings/meetings-2022.html</a> (2022-05-12 SJBA Board Meeting TRP).</p> <p>The preliminary findings are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Basin behaves like two separate areas or ‘buckets’ that are connected by bedrock ledge area in the vicinity of Stonehill Drive. The bedrock ledge operates similar to a spillway; which although not a boundary, does somewhat restrict flows under normal groundwater conditions.</li> <li>2. Groundwater flows through the bedrock ledge area (spillway) are greatly restricted between the upper and lower portions of the basin when groundwater levels are low. This occurs during dry or excessive pumping periods.</li> <li>3. Pumping on either side of the spillway (north or south) influences portions of the basin on the other side of the spillway. Without recharge and with continued pumping, groundwater levels at the divide could decline precipitously.</li> </ol> |

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|                  | <p>4. Saline intrusion in the basin result from seasonal or longer-term declines in freshwater recharge coupled with pumping. Pumping south of the spillway exacerbates saline intrusion more than pumping to the north. Pumping to the north contributes by restricting the flow of freshwater across the spillway.</p> <p>The Technical Review Panel is continuing additional geologic and geophysical assessment of the area; as well as additional monitoring of groundwater levels and flow across the spillway. The next SJBA meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2022.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Shutdowns</b> | <p><b>Upper Feeder</b></p> <p>A recap of the completion of the Upper Feeder shutdown will be presented at this month's meeting.</p> <p><b>Orange County Feeder</b></p> <p>The purpose of the shutdown is to remove and dispose of the existing lining, reline the pipeline with cement mortar, weld straps, replace valves and install manholes on this 85+ year old pipeline from the Willits Street Pressure Control Structure (north of South Coast Plaza) to the Irvine Cross Feeder (south of UC Irvine).</p> <p>The Orange County Feeder shutdown began on September 18, 2022 and will continue through July 15, 2023. The shutdown schedule was revised to accommodate a requested schedule change for the Orange County Feeder Extension shutdown as described below.</p> <p><b>Orange County Feeder Extension</b></p> <p>MET is preparing to reline the final 300-linear feet of the OC Feeder extension from the Irvine Cross Feeder to the terminus affecting the City of Newport Beach, Irvine Ranch WD, and Laguna Beach County WD.</p> <p>MET originally proposed shutdown dates for the extension of June 18, 2023 through July 14, 2023. LBCWD raised concerns about the shutdown timing given recent fire events. MET worked with their contractor and rescheduled the shutdown to coincide with the shutdown work between Willits PCS and the Irvine Cross Feeder for January 3 – 31, 2023. The Contractor will engage 4 separate work crews to complete the work as re-scheduled.</p> <p>A meeting was held on September 6, 2022 with MWDOC staff, MET, and all affected agencies to discuss the shutdown. The affected agencies were appreciative of MET's flexibility and confirmed they could support the new shutdown dates.</p> <p><b>Lake Mathews Facility Shutdown</b></p> <p>Shutdown of the Lake Mathews Facility has been rescheduled for March 13-14, 2023. The following agencies will be affected during the shutdown: OCWD,</p> |

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|                 | <p>YLWD, Serrano WD, IRWD, TCWD, ETWD, SMWD, MNWD, and the City of San Clemente.</p> <p><b>Orange County Reservoir</b></p> <p>The decommissioning of the Orange County Reservoir has been rescheduled to March 20, 2023 through March 25, 2023. This work will affect the cities of Brea and La Habra.</p> <p><b>Diemer Water Treatment Plant</b></p> <p>MET is planning to repair a chlorine diffuser pipe at the Diemer WTP which will require a seven-day full-plant shutdown. A meeting was held on February 3, 2022 to inform MET of the agencies' local supply conditions for this calendar year. MET reported that the diffuser pipe was not an imminent failure risk. Shutdown dates for repair of the Diemer chlorine diffuser pipe are being reevaluated by MET staff at this time with consideration of the R6 Reservoir shutdown (below).</p> <p>Diemer also recently experienced a backwash valve failure in the filter backwash system. Two of 48 filters will remain out of service through the summer; slightly limiting Diemer's maximum flow capacity by 4%.</p> <p><b>Joint Transmission Main</b></p> <p>South Coast WD will shut down the JTM from October 17-20, 2022 to replace a takeout meter located in Laguna Woods for ETWD. The plan is to increase flow on the South County Pipeline during the shutdown while staying within the AMP flow allocations. In the unlikely event that demands increase unexpectedly, a flow waiver for the AMP would be required.</p> <p><b>R6 Reservoir Rehabilitation</b></p> <p>El Toro WD will be shutting down the 275 Million Gallon R6 Reservoir to replace the aging reservoir liner and cover. The reservoir will be offline from November 2022 through July 2023.</p> |
| <b>Meetings</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|                 | Charles Busslinger, Joe Berg, and Chris Lingad met with IRWD and consultants WSC and M. Cubed on September 12, 2022 to discuss the Water Use Efficiency Analysis.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                 | Charles Busslinger and Chris Lingad attended MET's Member Agency Water Quality Managers meeting on September 15, 2022.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                 | Charles Busslinger attended South Orange County IRWM Ad Hoc Committee meetings on September 15, 2022 and September 21, 2022 to review proposed projects for Prop 1 Round 2 IRWM funding.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

# General Manager Report

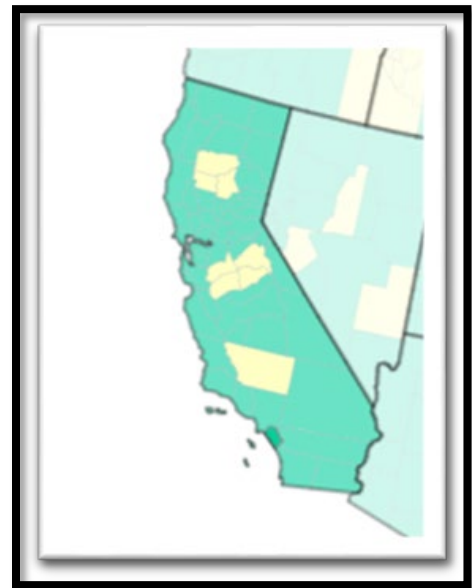
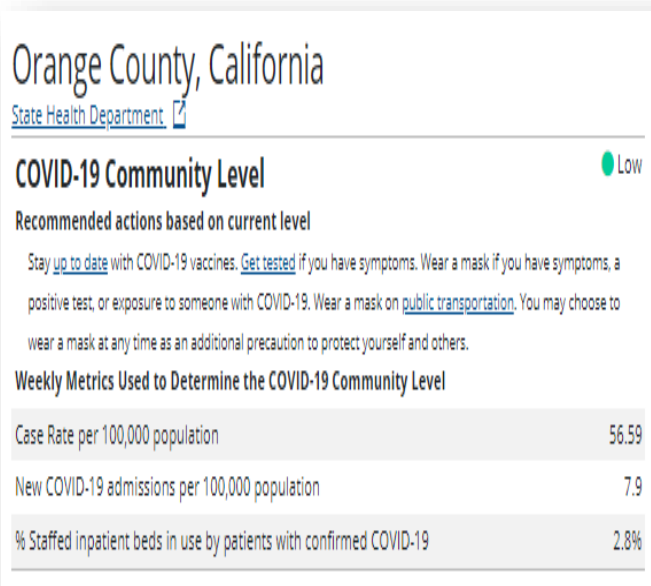
## WEROC Status Report

### September 2022

#### COVID-19 (CORONA VIRUS) COORDINATION

- Orange County **MOVED** into the **LOW LEVEL** rate of Community Spread (As of 9/8/22)

**Current Data as of 9-26-22**



The key statistic to track continues to be the impact on our medical system and agencies reporting if they are having operational impacts due to employees out ill. The medical system:

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| ➤ 9/26/22 | 124 Hospitalizations | 21 ICU |
| ➤ 9/19/22 | 150 Hospitalizations | 21 ICU |
| ➤ 8/11/22 | 291 Hospitalizations | 44 ICU |
| ➤ 7/21/22 | 351 Hospitalizations | 35 ICU |

.On 9/15/22, the **CDPH Testing Guidance was updated.**

- Updated guidance on using antigen testing to end isolation.

- Updated references to applicable guidance for Isolation and Quarantine and Events.
- Updated language to replace "fully vaccinated" with "completed primary series" to bring outdated terminology up to date.

[https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Updated-COVID-19-Testing-Guidance.aspx#msdynttrid=ZpNwWUtu\\_AFM\\_RmcWFmxiRehiayvUC53ifp0MfQLcx8](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Updated-COVID-19-Testing-Guidance.aspx#msdynttrid=ZpNwWUtu_AFM_RmcWFmxiRehiayvUC53ifp0MfQLcx8)

- On 9/16/22, the Orange County Health Order was updated. None of the changes affect water and wastewater operations. Language changes focused on changing adult care facilities requirements and removal of remaining specific school language.  
<https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/article/oc-health-officers-orders-recommendations>
- CalOSHA Emergency Temporary Standards Update - On June 9, 2022, the Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) posted the proposed non-emergency COVID-19 Prevention standards on its Cal/OSHA – Proposed Regulations webpage. The dates for the public hearing have not yet been set. WEROC will continue to track and report out on the progression of the new standards. In reviewing the proposed language, the currently actions being administered by employers currently would be adopted for 2 years at a time.
  - 9/15/22 Semi- Permanent COVID Standards Meeting Update
    - ***Nothing concrete came out of the meeting***
    - Voting on standard will occur in December
    - If approved, the adopted standard will remain in effect 12/31/24
    - Significant changes include:
      - Elimination of Exclusion Pay
      - Employer Provided Testing
      - Relaxed Notice to Employees Requirement
      - Updated Definition of Close Contacts
      - Reporting Cases and Close Contact

<http://www.cal-osha.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/COVID-19-Prevention-Non-Emergency-proptxt.pdf>
- AB 361 - Open meetings: state and local agencies: teleconferences.  
For those agencies, continuing to protect employees' safety with the provisions of use of teleconference for Board Meetings the following is still effect for the requirements of AB 361
- California State of Emergency is still active

- As of the time of this report the County of Orange Health Officer Order remained unchanged even with the CDC changes, still including Vulnerable Populations and social distancing is still referenced in the Orange County Health Officer Order
- **For Vulnerable Populations.** *In general, the older a person is, the more health conditions a person has, and the more severe the conditions, the more important it is to take preventive measures for COVID-19 such as getting vaccinated, including boosters, social distancing and wearing a mask when around people who don't live in the same household, and practicing hand hygiene. For more information, see <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html>.*
- WEROC continues to host monthly coordination calls with member agencies to provide updates regarding COVID and other items occurring in the OA.
- Janine completed the resource request for the five agencies seeking additional rapid test kits on 9/22.

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### SEPTEMBER INCIDENTS/EVENTS (NON-COVID)

\*\*The following event(s) in which WEROC provided information and/or coordination.

- Heat Event/ Energy Grid Reliability/CAISO Event
- PSPS Event
- Tropical Storm Kay

Vicki can provide an additional oral update to WEROC activities specific to the event as required/requested.

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### COORDINATION/PARTICIPATION WITH MEMBER AGENCIES AND OUTSIDE AGENCIES MEETINGS OUTSIDE OF PROGRAMS AREAS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

- On 8/30, Vicki participated in a tour of the Diemer Plant sponsored by CESA, which she currently serves as the State Board President. The CESA Southern Chapter Programs Chair coordinated the meeting at the site.
- On 8/31, Vicki participated in the State Drought Planning meeting with CalOES focused on planning for smaller agencies.
- On 9/2, Vicki was on a weather webinar for the incoming heat event
- On 9/2, Vicki represented agencies on the CAISO and Governor Call for the grid reliability outlook meeting. These call were daily at 8 and 4pm.for the duration of the event 9/9
- On 9/2, Vicki participated in the ISDOC Executive Committee Meeting
- On 9/7, Vicki participated in the SDGE Workshop/PSPS Briefing

- On 9/8, Vicki participated in the OA Public Information Plan (formerly JIS Plan) review
  - On 9/8, Vicki was on the Bond Fire Debris Flow Conference Call
  - On 9/12, Vicki participated in the Quarterly EMMA (Emergency Management Mutual Aid) Committee Call
  - On 9/16, Vicki attendee the OC Water Summit
  - On 9/17, Vicki had a coordination meeting with Bandy from GSWC to discuss WEROC and coordination efforts
  - On 9/20, Vicki has a CalWARN Board Meeting
  - On 9/20, Vicki attended the Diemer Plant Full Scale Exercise Planning Meeting
  - On 9/20, Vicki participated in the CMUA/Grid Reliability call discussing the recent event. The was an after action meeting for next steps
  - On 9/21, Dave attended the OCIAC Cyber/Terrorism Seminar
  - On 9/22, Vicki attended the MWDOC Managers meeting and provided a WEROC Update. Part of the update included a discussion with the General Managers in regards to the WEROC Program as whole vs the WEROC EOC Project and some of the confusion tying the two together.
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## **PLANNING AND PROGRAM EFFORTS**

### **AlertOC**

Janine continues to work with of special district member agencies participating in the AlertOC program.

### **Coastal Fire Reimbursement**

Vicki continues to work with CalOES and FEMA on the FMAG for the Coastal Fire and trying to get the water used for the suppression an eligible claimable cost, based on changes to Prop 218 in relation to PUC 2713, AB 1432 and Governor EO N-10-19. This will be a long term goal for WEROC to get this Law updated to align with Public Assistance in the future as the state responded back with a denial of water as a claimable cost under the citation of PUC 2713.

### **Cyber Security**

WEROC continues to send out important information to the Cyber Security Distribution Group as received from DHS or the OCIAC.

### **Training and Exercises**

Vicki has finalized the Agency Representative Training (AREP) as requested by the agencies. This course will assist agencies when they send a person to interact at an Incident Command post (ex wildland fire). Training will occur the beginning of November in the city of Yorba Linda.



Vicki taught G775 EOC Operations and G191 ICS/EOC Interface Course at MNWD the week of September 13. Eighty-three (83) people attended the courses last week. Thank you to MNWD for hosting.

Vicki is collaborating with MET on an exercise to be held at Diemer on November 17. WEROC will be communicating with member agencies as part of establishing a communications and coordination drill as part of the exercise. This will establish a Multi-Agency Coordination (MAC) Policy Group coordination call to share information and allow agencies who have not been impacted by recent real world event to see how this coronation will work.

### **WEROC Emergency Operations Center**

At the MWDOC Managers meeting, Vicki provided an update on the EOC project and they had further conversations with the General Managers in regards to some confusion on the elected official side on the necessity and work of the WEROC Program vs the WEROC EOC project, which are two different items. The General Managers were in consensus the WEROC program provides a valuable service and the appreciation for the changes made to support the agencies over the past couple of years. More discussion on the EOC project will continue during the Reserve Discussion and Vicki continues to seek a viable option that will fulfill the capabilities needs of the EOC.

### **WEROC Personnel Update**

The new WEROC Specialist Dave Anderson started 9/12. We are very excited to have him as part of the team.

### **WEROC Planning Documents Updated in September**

- PSPS SOP
- WEROC Training Bulletin for OCFA

### **Operational Area and Member Agency Plan Review/Working Groups**

Vicki has reviewed and provided written changes or feedback to the following Annexes/Plans. These are currently being reviewed in working group meetings focusing on 1-2 chapters at a time:

- Orange County Operational Area – Recovery Annex
- Operational Area Public Information Plan

**Status of Water Use Efficiency Projects  
September 2022**

| <b>Description</b>                                                | <b>Lead Agency</b> | <b>Status % Complete</b> | <b>Scheduled Completion or Renewal Date</b> | <b>Comments</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| <b>SoCal WaterSmart Residential Indoor Rebate Program</b>         | MWDSC              | Ongoing                  | Ongoing                                     | In August 2022, 102 high efficiency clothes washers and 27 premium high efficiency toilets were installed in Orange County.<br><br>To date, 126,559 high efficiency clothes washers and 60,878 high efficiency toilets have been installed through this program.                                                                                                                           |
| <b>SoCal WaterSmart Commercial Rebate Program</b>                 | MWDSC              | Ongoing                  | Ongoing                                     | In August 2022, 0 commercial devices were installed in Orange County.<br><br>To date, 111,823 commercial devices have been installed through this program.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Industrial Process/ Water Savings Incentive Program (WSIP)</b> | MWDSC              | Ongoing                  | Ongoing                                     | This program is designed to improve water efficiency for commercial customers through upgraded equipment or services that do not qualify for standard rebates. Incentives are based on the amount of water customers save and allow customers to implement custom water-saving projects.<br><br>Total water savings to date for the entire program is 1,291 AFY and 6,358 AF cumulatively. |
| <b>Flow-Monitoring Device Rebate Program</b>                      | MWDSC              | Ongoing                  | Ongoing                                     | In August 2022, no flow-monitoring devices were installed in Orange County.<br><br>To date, 36 flow-monitoring devices have been installed through this program.                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Smart Timer Rebate Program</b>                                 | MWDSC              | Ongoing                  | Ongoing                                     | In August 2022, 6 smart timers were installed in Orange County.<br><br>To date, 33,166 smart timers have been installed through this program.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

| Description                            | Lead Agency | Status % Complete | Scheduled Completion or Renewal Date | Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| <b>Rotating Nozzles Rebate Program</b> | MWDSC       | Ongoing           | Ongoing                              | In August 2022, no rotating nozzles were installed in Orange County.<br><br>To date, 574,598 rotating nozzles have been installed through this program.                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Rain Barrel Rebate Program</b>      | MWDSC       | Ongoing           | Ongoing                              | In August 2022, no rain barrels were installed in Orange County.<br><br>To date, 8,679 rain barrels have been installed through this program.                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Turf Removal Program</b>            | MWDOC       | Ongoing           | Ongoing                              | In August 2022, 40 rebates were paid, representing \$552,938.25 in rebates paid this month in Orange County.<br><br>To date, the Turf Removal Program has removed approximately 24.6 million square feet of turf.                                                                                                      |
| <b>Spray to Drip Rebate Program</b>    | MWDOC       | Ongoing           | Ongoing                              | In August 2022, 14 rebates were paid, representing \$11,673.48 in rebates paid this month in Orange County.<br><br>To date, the Spray to Drip Program has converted approximately 1.9 million square feet of standard spray irrigation to drip irrigation.                                                             |
| <b>Recycled Water Retrofit Program</b> | MWDSC       | Ongoing           | Ongoing                              | This program provides incentives to commercial sites for converting dedicated irrigation meters to recycled water.<br><br>To date, 182 sites, irrigating a total of 1,672 acres of landscape, have been converted. The total potable water savings achieved by these projects is 3,687 AFY and 21,009 AF cumulatively. |

## Public &amp; Governmental Affairs Activities Report

August 31, 2022 – September 27, 2022

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| <b>Member Agency Relations</b> | <p>Public Affairs Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Managed regional messaging requests and inquiries from member agencies pertaining to the Upper Feeder shutdown.</li> <li></li> </ul> <p>Government Affairs Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Circulated MWDOC's legislative and regulatory policy principles to the member agencies for feedback</li> <li>Distributed the monthly grants tracking and acquisition report</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Community Relations</b>     | <p>Public Affairs Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepared and hosted the 2022 Poster Contest Awards Ceremony at the Friends of Shipley Nature Center in Huntington Beach</li> <li>Redesigned the Poster Contest Awards Ceremony to include a catered lunch, interactive learning stations, an art show, and award presentation</li> <li>Provided MWDOC giveaways and Ricky the Raindrop appearances at the City of Westminster's Fall Festival</li> </ul> <p>Government Affairs Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attended the OCBC Governmental Affairs Committee meeting</li> <li>Participated in the OCBC Infrastructure Committee meeting</li> <li>Attended the ACWA Region 10 Leadership Listening discussion</li> <li>Attended the ACC-OC Legislative Committee meeting</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Education</b>               | <p>Public Affairs Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participated in the bi-weekly California Environmental Literacy Initiative's Green Careers Innovation Hub meeting</li> <li>Participated in San Mateo County Office of Education's K12 Strong Workforce Program grant proposal meeting. The grant would procure funding to create a middle school to green careers, jobs, and trades pipeline.</li> <li>Presented on MWDOC's Water Awareness Poster Contest ceremony at the California Environmental Literacy Initiative Leadership Council quarterly meeting</li> <li>Coordinated distribution of Water Energy Education Alliance (WEEA) water and energy career brochures with WEEA sponsors</li> <li>Presented current education initiatives at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's Education Coordinator's meeting</li> <li>Assisted in the planning of the monthly Department of Water Resources Water Education Committee meeting</li> <li>Presented alongside Orange County Department of Education's Inside the Outdoors at the Department of Water Resources Water Education Committee meeting on incorporating environmental literacy into education initiatives</li> <li>Presented a water pledge activity to special education classes at Harbor Learning Center in Fountain Valley</li> </ul> |

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|                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided all MWDOC K-12 Choice School Program participating agencies with the shared Google Calendar login for the new school year</li> <li>• Provided information regarding MWDOC K-12 Choice School Programs to the following agencies: Moulton Niguel Water District, El Toro Water District, East Orange County Water District, Trabuco Canyon Water District, City of Brea, City of Buena Park</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Media Relations</b>  | <p>Public Affairs Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepared and distributed content for social media</li> <li>• Prepared and submitted articles to Association of California Water Agencies News <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <a href="https://www.acwa.com/news/recruit-the-next-generation-of-industry-professionals-with-free-career-brochures/">https://www.acwa.com/news/recruit-the-next-generation-of-industry-professionals-with-free-career-brochures/</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Distributed weekly news digests to MWDOC managers and Board</li> <li>• Promoted OC Water Summit on social media</li> <li>• Responded to various media inquiries from the press</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Special Projects</b> | <p>Public Affairs Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepared and hosted the 2022 OC Water Summit at Disney's Grand Californian Hotel &amp; Spa on September 16 with over 350 guests in attendance</li> <li>• Participated in several OC Water Summit Planning committee meetings</li> <li>• Coordinated with Orange County Water District in the planning and producing of materials for OC Water Summit</li> <li>• Prepared and sent out final invite for OC Water Summit</li> <li>• Finalized all sponsors for OC Water Summit</li> <li>• Coordinated registration and sponsorships for OC Water Summit</li> <li>• Hosted the OC Water Summit Speakers Dinner</li> <li>• Responded to MWDOC department requests for website information and published website updates</li> <li>• Finalized registration and trip details for the State Water Project trip with Directors Ackerman and Hawkins</li> <li>• Attended the California Association of Public Information Officials annual conference with sessions and networking opportunities that emphasized DE&amp;I (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion), community engagement and other leading communications topics</li> </ul> <p>Governmental Affairs Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinated with OCTA to speak at a future ISDOC meeting</li> <li>• Staffed the ISDOC Executive Committee meeting with Tina Dubuque</li> <li>• Staffed the WACO Monthly Meeting, and coordinated with the speaker</li> <li>• Made several inquiries to speakers for upcoming ISDOC luncheons</li> <li>• Staffed the WACO Planning Committee meeting</li> <li>• Reached out to Met staff to coordinate speaker at an upcoming WACO meeting on climate change</li> </ul> |

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|                            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Along with Tina Dubuque, drafted and distributed the ISDOC Quarterly Luncheon invite</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Legislative Affairs</b> | <p>Governmental Affairs Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drafted a quote for AB 2142 (Gabriel) from President Yoo Schneider in anticipation of the bill signing by the Governor</li> <li>• Attended the CMUA Regulatory Committee meeting</li> <li>• Met with Director Seckel to review legislative policies and priorities</li> <li>• Sent out a reminder to legislative delegation staff inviting them to the OC Water Summit</li> <li>• Met with Director Nederhood to review legislative policies and priorities</li> <li>• Attended the ACWA Federal Affairs Committee meeting</li> <li>• Met with Director McVicker to review legislative policies and priorities</li> <li>• Participated in the Metropolitan Water District Legislative call</li> <li>• Met with Director Dick to review legislative policies and priorities</li> <li>• Met with Director Tamaribuchi to discuss and review legislative policies and priorities</li> </ul> |