

WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

NOVEMBER 8, 2001 – Water Resources  
Smith – Conference Call, No Quorum  
NOVEMBER 26, 2001 – Board Meeting  
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INFORMATION ITEM

METROPOLITAN'S LONG-TERM SEASONAL PROGRAMSUMMARY:

West Basin MWD currently participates in Metropolitan's Long-Term Seasonal Storage Program. This Program encourages purveyors in West Basin to take imported water at a discounted rate during the winter months, in-lieu of pumping groundwater, as a way to economically replenish the groundwater basin. Such a program enhances greater conjunctive use of imported and local supplies, improves the replenishment of the basin, and reduces member agencies' dependence on deliveries from Metropolitan during the summer months and periods of shortage.

Municipal Water District of Orange County has recently proposed changes to the Long-Term Seasonal Storage Program. These changes include revising and hopefully simplifying the baseline calculation and opening up the Program year round if supplies and system capacity is available. Such changes could allow purveyors to in-lieu more groundwater throughout the year. Staff will be working with the other member agencies, Metropolitan, and West Basin retail agencies to see if beneficial changes to the Long-Term Seasonal Storage Program should be made.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

Fiscal impacts have not been determined at this time.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

Not applicable.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed at the Water Resources Committee on November 8, 2001 by the Alternate member Director Smith; there was no quorum. This item was agendized to the November 26, 2001 Board meeting as information.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

This item is for information only.