

WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

SEPTEMBER 4, 2002 - Water Resources
McDonald, Little

SEPTEMBER 23, 2002 - Board Meeting

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INFORMATION CALENDAR

IMPORTED WATER PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND
BARRIER RECYCLED WATER AGREEMENT UPDATE

SUMMARY:

Of the District's 12 imported water customer agencies, 10 have committed to signing an Imported Water Purchase Agreement (PA) as of August 23. The status of the remaining customers is as follows:

- City of Inglewood - verbally committed to PA and staff is awaiting confirmation and base allocation request.
- Water Replenishment District (WRD) - decision on PA pending until September 30. Staff believes it is in the financial interest of WRD to sign a PA, but the base allocation will depend on how the need for future injection at the West Coast and Dominguez Gap Barriers is evaluated. Staff has recommended that WRD approach this issue in conjunction with the District and groundwater producers. To date WRD staff has not provided any indication of the amount of imported water even though they have conceptually indicated their desire to enter into a PA.

Of the customers who have committed to sign a PA, only Cal-American has requested an increase in base allocation (+ 600 acre-feet). Exhibit A shows each customer's base allocation request. Should WRD not sign a PA or request a lower base allocation, the resulting available base allocation could satisfy Cal-American's request for increase and also result in an "uncommitted pool" of base allocation.

Barrier Recycled Water Agreement

The current agreement under which WRD purchases recycled water for injection into the West Coast Barrier expires January 27, 2003. WRD's decision regarding amending the recycled water agreement is also pending until September 30.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

None.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

Not applicable.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed by the Water Resources Committee on September 4, 2002 and agendized to the September 23, 2002 Board meeting as information.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

This item is for information only.

LIST OF EXHIBITS

Exhibit "A" – Imported Water Purchase Agreement Status List

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