

WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT **JUNE 4, 2003 - Water Resources**
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JUNE 23, 2003 - Board Meeting
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INFORMATION CALENDAR

OCEAN-WATER DESALINATION UPDATE

SUMMARY:

Seawater Desalination Task force

The Governor has appointed the members of the State Seawater Desalination Taskforce. There are 27 members, (see attached). Jonas Minton of the State Department of Water Resources is the Taskforce Chair. Co-chairs include representatives from the California Coastal Commission, State Department of Health Services, and State Water Quality Control Board. There are sixteen members from State agencies, five members from various water districts state-wide and seven other special interests included. Of the MWD member agencies the following are represented:

- West Basin
- Long Beach
- Inland Empire
- San Diego County Water Authority

The first meeting of the State Seawater Desalination Task force was held in Sacramento on May 29. A report on the first taskforce meeting will be presented to the Water Resources Committee.

United States Desalination Coalition

The United States Desalination Coalition has scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, June 3 at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Municipal Water District of Orange County. Director McDonald will attend representing West Basin. The items to be discussed include:

- Approval to admit American Water - Western Region and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California as full members of the Coalition;
- Election of Chairman of U.S. Desalination Coalition;
- Executive Director's Report on:
 - Legislative activities
 - Recruitment activities
 - Budget for calendar year 2003; and
- Review work plan for next three months.

A report on the Coalition meeting will be presented to the Water Resources Committee.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

None.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

None.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed by the Water Resources Committee on June 4, 2003 and agendaized to the June 23, 2003 Board meeting as information for discussion.

RECOMMENDED MOTIONS:

This item is for information only.

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit "A" - Membership of Seawater Desalination Taskforce

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