

WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**OCTOBER 12, 2006 – Water Resources**
Little, Baker**OCTOBER 30, 2006 – Board Meeting**

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ACTION CALENDAR

INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (IRWMP)
AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH BROWN & CALDWELLSUMMARY:

Central Basin Municipal Water District (Central Basin) has notified Brown & Caldwell (see Exhibit A) of its intent to terminate its obligations as a party to the Agreement No. B1692 (Agreement). The Agreement was executed in January 2006 between West Basin Municipal Water District (District), Central Basin, and Brown & Caldwell for the development of an IRWMP for the Greater Los Angeles County Region and preparation of the application for Round 1 project implementation funds, for an amount not-to-exceed \$ 2,037,330. The original appropriation for the Agreement, including contingency, was shared equally by West Basin and Central Basin at \$1,100,000 each for a total of \$2,200,000, on a reimbursement basis.

In April 2006, the District and Central Basin increased the appropriation for the Agreement by \$125,000 each, or \$250,000 combined, for a total appropriation of \$2,450,000. Sources of reimbursement funding for the appropriation include a state Proposition 50 grant (\$1,500,000) and IRWMP participation agency contributions of \$950,000. To date, all agency contributions have been received by the District. Additionally, the District executed a reimbursement agreement with the County of Los Angeles in August 2006 to begin receiving state grant funds.

To date, Central Basin has not incurred any expenses related to invoice payments pursuant to the Agreement. Central Basin's Board of Directors took action in August to amend the Agreement to remove Central Basin as a party and terminate its obligation to its \$1,225,000 share of the total appropriation.

Staff recommends that the District continue as a party to the Agreement and assume the obligation for Central Basin's share of the total appropriation.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

The funds to be authorized by the Board will be drawn from the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Operating Fund Budget to pay consultant invoices pending reimbursement from the County with state grant funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

Not applicable.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed by the Water Resources Committee on October 12, 2006 and was recommended for approval at the October 30, 2006 Special Board meeting.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board authorizes the General Manager to:

1. Amend Agreement No. B1692 to remove Central Basin Municipal Water District as a party; and
2. Increase the District's appropriation under Agreement No. B1692 from \$1,225,000 to \$2,450,000.

LIST OF EXHIBITS:

Exhibit A – "Termination Notice" from Central Basin to Brown & Caldwell