

## WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

**JANUARY 17, 2008 – Water Resources**  
Smith (Chair), Little  
**JANUARY 28, 2008 – Board Meeting**  
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## INFORMATION CALENDAR

METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT ACTIVITIES UPDATESUMMARY:

This staff report on Metropolitan Water District (MWD) issues is intended to brief the Board on activities and issues relevant to West Basin and its customer agencies. The first section, "On-Going Issues," is a status update on current studies, reports, and/or policy work groups that staff is involved with. The second section, "Current Month's Issues," is a report on noteworthy items that are being covered at the current month's MWD Board meeting. The last section, "Upcoming Issues," is a preview of new and forthcoming issues important to West Basin. This format is intended to keep the Board informed about current and future items at MWD in order to provide direction to staff and its MWD representatives in a timely manner, if required.

**ON-GOING ISSUES**MWD's Enhanced Role in Local Resources Development

**Purpose:** Included in the MWD Board's April action regarding the LRP process was a commitment to enhancing MWD's role in advancing local resources development, including at a minimum recycled water, groundwater recovery, groundwater storage, and seawater desalination. Bi-monthly meetings will be held to focus on MWD and the Member Agencies jointly taking a more proactive approach in addressing traditional legislative and regulatory barriers to greater local resource acceptance and use.

**Update:** No new information is available at the time of drafting this memorandum.

Diamond Valley Lake Recreation Plan

**Purpose:** MWD Diamond Valley Lake (DVL) Recreation Plan includes an array of projects ranging from the development of hiking trails, recreational facilities, commercial and residential property, to the sale of surplus property on land surrounding DVL totaling over 3,000 acres. MWD staff asked the Board for policy guidelines pertaining to its DVL recreation program in the key areas of recreation development, business planning, and commercial/residential development.

Earlier in the year, Chairman Tim Brick announced the formation of a Real Estate & Asset Management Subcommittee, under the direction of the Finance Committee Vice-Chair Aaron Grunfeld of LADWP, to oversee the DVL Recreation Plan and the Center for Water Education. Among the duties that the Subcommittee will be performing are the reviewing of the business plan, facilities design and financing.

The City of Hemet has been discussing financial proposals with MWD on how to jointly finance the recreational components of DVL, particularly on-going operations and maintenance expenses. MWD staff is expected to release their "DVL Recreation Business Plan" in conjunction with the City of Hemet's proposals.