



**WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**  
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**AGENDA NO. 27**

**NOVEMBER 13, 2008 – Water Resources**  
Smith (Chair), Little  
**NOVEMBER 24, 2008 – Board Meeting**  
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## INFORMATION CALENDAR

### CITY OF LOS ANGELES OPPORTUNITIES

#### SUMMARY:

West Basin and the City of Los Angeles are joined in many cooperative projects and ventures that benefit both agencies including Metropolitan Water District issues, legislative issues, recycled water and other resource activities. A positive and productive relationship is critical to West Basin's long-range success. Some recent activities include:

- Legislative issues such as the Lair and Feuer Water Conservation Bill (AB 2175), AB 1481 a Los Angeles sponsored bill to streamline the recycled water permitting process, and others;
- West Basin and Los Angeles are on the leadership council of the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning (IRWMP) effort. The leadership group will be recommending projects to fund for Proposition 84 and others propositions will be administered through this group;
- Los Angeles is the largest voting member of the MWD Board, thus a close and coordinated relationship is beneficial to West Basin;
- The two agencies have cooperatively explored wheeling projects for State Project Water or LA Aqueduct Water in the past. There were no opportunities identified at that time; and
- Los Angeles and West Basin have been in a recycled water partnership since 1991.

Future opportunities with the City of Los Angeles include:

- Continued coordination on legislative issues;
- Continued coordination on MWD issues;
- An additional 25,000 acre-feet per year (AFY) of recycled water sales are currently being explored:
  - 9,300 AFY for the Los Angeles Harbor Project.
  - 16,000 AFY for the Los Angeles West Side and Central City areas;
- IRWMP funding for recycled water projects;

- IRWMP funding for conservation Projects; and
- Re-negotiation of the LA West Basin water recycling agreement, due to expire in 2016 to increase the water quality coming from Hyperion.

### **Current Partnership Opportunities:**

There are currently several opportunities of further cooperation between West Basin and Los Angeles:

1. A Source Control Implementation Plan for Hyperion as required by permit so West Basin can go to 100% at the Barrier. The negotiation of this agreement is near completion;
2. A Pump Station Expansion Agreement for the Hyperion pump station so that our future recycled water needs (including Phase V, bp and LA Harbor Projects) can be met. This agreement is also near completion;
3. A Secondary Power Supply Agreement to the Hyperion pump station to bring that facility to the level of reliability needed. Also near completion;
4. A cooperative effort to improve Hyperion water quality; and
5. Agreement for West Basin to serve LA Harbor recycled water. Negotiations have begun.

West Basin has a local lobbying team of Strategic Counsel (Perry Parks) and Dave Cunningham and Associates to help us with City of Los Angeles issues. Staff will continue to work cooperatively with our team and the City of Los Angeles to accomplish the five tasks outline above.

### **STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN IMPLEMENTATION:**

Goal 6, Communications – Engage in effective two-way communications of West Basin's programs and policies with the customer agencies and communities we serve.

### **COMMITMENT STATEMENT:**

Customer Service – West Basin is committed to providing value by understanding and meeting the needs of our customers and the communities we serve.

### **FISCAL IMPACTS:**

None at this time.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:**

Not applicable.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed by the Water Resources Committee on November 13, 2008 and agendaized to the November 24, 2008 Board meeting as information for discussion.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

This item is for information only.

EXHIBITS:

None.