



WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
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AGENDA NO. 18.B.

MAY 19, 2010 – Communications
Kwan (Chair), Gray
JUNE 1, 2010 – Board Meeting
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ACTION CALENDAR

SUPPORT APPOINTMENT AND CONFIRMATION OF WALTER PETTIT TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

SUMMARY:

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) was created by an act of the Legislature in 1967 and was provided authority over water allocation and water quality protection in California. The State Water Board is comprised of five full-time members, each appointed by the Governor to a four-year term, for the purpose of fulfilling a specific specialty position.

Currently, the Sanitary Engineer and Qualified in Water Quality position is awaiting Senate Confirmation. Walter Pettit, who served as the Executive Director for the State Water Board from 1991 to 2000, has been appointed to this position; however, the appointment has not been confirmed by the California State Senate. Mr. Pettit has long been a friendly advocate for recycled water and will undoubtedly provide the State Water Board with experience, knowledge and a legacy to help in these challenging times of water supply crisis.

For these reasons, staff recommends that the Board support the appointment and confirmation of Walter Pettit to the State Water Resources Control Board.

STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN IMPLEMENTATION:

Goal 1: Water Reliability – West Basin is committed to innovative planning and investments to provide water supply reliability and drought protection.

Goal 2: Water Quality – West Basin is committed to providing safe, high quality water by meeting current and anticipated water quality requirements.

Goal 3: 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:

Not applicable.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

Not applicable.

COMMITTEE STATUS:

This item was reviewed by the Communications Committee on May 19, 2010 and recommended for approval at the June 1, 2010 Board meeting.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board approves staff recommendation to SUPPORT the appointment and confirmation of Walter Pettit to the State Water Resources Control Board.

LIST OF EXHIBITS:

Exhibit "A" - Draft Letter of Support

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