For the Agenda of: January 12, 2011

APPROVED **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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To:

Board of Directors

Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority

From:

Staff

Subject:

Support of the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District's Formation of the

Sacramento Water Recycling Coalition and its Effort to Gain Local, State, and

Federal Support for Expanding its Water Recycling Projects

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Overview

The Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority (Authority) was established to maintain the long-term sustainable yield of the Central Sacramento County Groundwater Basin (Central Basin) through implementation of the Central Sacramento County Groundwater Management Plan (GMP). Program component number four of the GMP (Section 3.2.4) addresses groundwater sustainability and identifies demand reduction through water recycling as an action item. Specifically, the GMP states that the basin governance body will coordinate with the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD) to investigate further opportunities for expanded use of recycled water throughout the Central Basin (Section 3.2.4.1). SRCSD has formed the Sacramento Water Recycling Coalition (Coalition) in an effort to gain support for expansion of its current recycled water project.

Recommendations

Authorize the use of the Groundwater Authority logo on the Statement of Principles and Letter of Support for the Sacramento Water Recycling Coalition and authorize the Executive Director to sign the documents.

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BACKGROUND:

At the September 9, 2009 Authority Board (Board) meeting staff of the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD) made a presentation on recycled water use in Sacramento County and their Water Recycling Opportunities Study.

At the November 10, 2010 Board meeting, staff of the SRCSD made a subsequent presentation to update the Board on the status of SRCSD's water recycling efforts. At this meeting, SRCSD staff discussed the formation of the Sacramento Water Recycling Coalition to seek third party funding (e.g. State and Federal grant funding) to advance the development and implementation of water recycling projects in the Sacramento region. SRCSD staff requested support from SCGA through the use of SCGA's logo on the Statement of Principles and Stakeholder Letter of Support developed by stakeholders participating in the Sacramento Water Recycling Coalition. Copies of both of these documents were made available to Board members at this meeting for reference. At the end of the presentation, some members of the Board requested additional time to review the Statement of Principles and Stakeholder Letter of Support with their respective agencies. The Board agreed and continued the item to the January 12, 2011 Board meeting.

DISCUSSION:

SRCSD staff has coordinated with members of the Board that expressed an interest in having further discussions on the Statement of Principles and Stakeholder Letter of Support for the Sacramento Water Recycling Coalition. These coordination efforts include a formal presentation to the City of Elk Grove's City Council on December 8, 2010; review and integration of comments received from the City of Sacramento; a presentation to the Regional Water Authority's Executive Committee on December 8, 2010; and communications with other stakeholders. A presentation to the Southgate Recreation & Park District has been schedule for January 18, 2011.

Attached to this Board item are the updated Statement of Principles and the Stakeholder Letter of Support. Both of these documents are shown in track/review mode to indicate the changes that were made to the documents based on the comments that have been received to date.

SRCSD respectfully requests the use of the SCGA logo on the Statement of Principles and Stakeholder Letter of Support for the Sacramento Water recycling Coalition. There may be additional non-substantive changes to these documents in the future, and SRCSD requests that in this event the SCGA Executive Director be authorized to sign these documents.

Attachments:

- 1) Stakeholder letter of support final with edits ver12-20-2010
- 2) Stakeholder Principles Draft Document final with edits ver12-20-2010

