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Board of Directors Summary for **November 19, 2003**

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WORK SESSION

General Manager Tony Pack announced:

- The **Dept. of Health Services** conducted a survey of our water system's sanitary practices. We did well with only minor recommendations.
- Assemblyman Russ Bogh will present an **Assembly Certificate for the CalStar award** at the next board meeting.
- There will be training for managers on Dec. 8-9 on developing bench marking indicators and performance measurement as part of **CAPE**.
- The next **Soboba settlement** meeting with all the agencies and attorneys is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 10, in Las Vegas.
- **Murrieta County Water District** has asked to begin discussions on a second connection to EMWD's system.
- EMWD is continuing negotiations with other agencies that were designated to receive funding under **Prop 13** Groundwater Storage Construction Grants. A final decision as to the amounts that will be awarded will be made in December.
- We have **discharged over 270 AF** into Lake Elsinore. The system is operating in an automated mode. We have added a new recycled water customer (sod farm).

Assistant General Manager of Operations and Maintenance Mike Luker relayed that staff has submitted an application for the state's Flex Your Power Award for EMWD's energy saving generators, microturbines, and gas engines.

Assistant General Manager of Engineering Charlie Bachmann provided information and costs regarding a potential recycled water pond site.

Behrooze Mortazavi presented "A Joint Partnership Water Supply Plan Proposal for the Hemet/San Jacinto Management Area." This proposal provides a plan for local agencies to work together to stabilize groundwater levels.

John Ward presented an update on the California Award for Performance Excellence (CAPE), and EMWD's progress.

Khos Ghaderi presented "Water System Status." It indicated a 7.5% increase in demand since last year, although our peak demand day was 3% less than last year.

Claire Harrison reported that the MWD Board voted to return funds that were over the maximum reserve target to member agencies. Ron Gastellum, CEO of MWD, is part of a 25-member group from around the state tasked with developing policy principles on water management to provide to Governor Schwarzenegger. MWD is looking at developing the north area of DVL in the highest density option; the North Hills Trail construction is underway with an anticipated completion date of March 2004.

BOARD MEETING

Recognitions:

Roberta “Bobbi” Burk, Meter Reader II, and Chuck Rathbone, Director of Finance, were acknowledged for 15 years of service.

Judy Lankey shared with the Board the Award from the Department of Toxic Substances Control with the Board for EMWD’s participation in Pollution Prevention Week.

The Board...

...held a public hearing to adopt Resolution No. 3831 to acquire real property by eminent domain in Temecula to construct **the Rancho Glenoaks Assessment District No. 19 (AD19)** water system.

...approved and authorized the administrative award of contracts necessary to replace and convert approximately 144 large commercial meters to **Automated Meter Reading**.

...approved **declaration of excess lands – Golden Triangle Well Site**, which is located in Murrieta. The well is no longer a viable source of water supply and the site is no longer needed.

...approved and authorized the water supply assessment for a portion of the **Winchester Hills Specific Plan, in accordance with the provisions of SB 221 and SB 610**.

...approved and authorized an amendment to the agreement with Layne Christensen Company for exploratory drilling for the **brackish water well construction program**. Up to four additional sites have been identified for exploration, bringing the total number of sites to eight.

...approved and authorized an amendment to the agreement with Richard C. Slade and Associates LLC for hydrogeological services related to exploratory drilling for the **brackish water well construction program**.

...approved and authorized an engineering services agreement with CH2M Hill, Inc. and administrative approval of additional ancillary engineering agreements for the **design of a 10 MGD expansion of the Perris Water Filtration Plant**, which is necessary to accommodate growth in the Moreno Valley/Perris/Sun City area. The expansion will include a conversion to ultra-violet disinfection as well as the construction of a pipeline to connect to MWD’s Lakeview Pipeline to allow for the use of State Project Water in addition to Colorado River Water. This will provide reliability in raw water supply as well as operational flexibility and the ability to better manage salinity.

...approved and authorized the administrative award of contracts under Specification No. 907W, **Perris Basin Desalination Facility**.

...approved and authorized engineering services agreement with CSL Engineering, Inc., for design of the **36-inch diameter water pipeline in Lindenberger Rd**. The existing pipeline

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is being affected by the County of Riverside Transportation Department's roadway improvements. The project is to construct about 8,000 linear feet of 36-inch water pipeline in Lindenberger Road.

...approved and authorized an administrative award of contract and consulting services agreement for the **2003-2004 water transmission valve improvements**. The intent of the program is to decrease the excessive distance between valves on large diameter pipelines and minimize the service area impacted by transmission pipeline shutdowns, decrease the volume of water lost when dewatering is necessary, and provide operational flexibility in the event of an emergency.

...adopted Resolution No. 3847, approving a **Joint Community Facilities Agreement** with the Menifee Union School District, WL Homes, LLC and Scott 151 Development, LLC for Community Facilities District No. 2002-2.

...adopted Resolution No. 3848, approving a **Joint Community Facilities Agreement** with the Moreno Valley Unified School District and Western Pacific Housing for Community Facilities District no. 2003-2.

...annexed 19.1 acres **to Improvement District No. 17**, Hemet/SJ Regional Sewer, (Hemet/SJ Ventures, LLC – Tract 28558). (Revised from Improvement District No. 19)

...annexed 35.47 acres **to Improvement District No. U-8**, Rancho California Regional Sewer, (Lennar Communities – Tract 23143-6).

...annexed 93.43 acres to **Improvement District No. U-8**, Rancho California Regional Sewer, (Lennar Communities – Tract 23143-1; -10, and -11) and adopted Resolution No. 3850.

...annexed 2.2 acres to **Improvement District Nos. U-23 and U-24**, French Valley, (Sierra Textile – PM 13651).

...annexed 90.43 acres to **Improvement District Nos. U-27 and U-28**, North Perris Area #1, (Walgreens – PM 3472).

...annexed 9.62 acres to **Improvement District Nos. U-29 and U-30**, West Central Perris Area, (Willowbrook Residential LLC – Tract 30751).

...annexed 4.34 acres to **Improvement District Nos. U-31 and U-32**, Perris Area #3, (Freedom Storage LLC – APN 457-350-002).

...annexed 45.49 acres to **Improvement District Nos. 22, 23, and C**, Murrieta Hot Springs, (Yoder Family Trust et al – APN Nos. 916-010-012; 013 and –14.

...annexed the **75th Fringe Area to EMWD, RCWD, and MWD** (Alesco Development Company) and adopted Resolution Nos. 3862, 3863, and 3864.

...approved the decision to conduct an appeal hearing for Wright Septic Tank Hauling Company until the next Board meeting on **December 17**.

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...approved and authorized materials for **temporary boosters** at Pat Road and Margarita Road. To provide enough recycled water from the Rancho Club booster to Winchester ponds area. Temporary pumping stations at these two sites are necessary to obtain enough flow to serve the new growth until a permanent pipeline is constructed by January 2005.

...approved and adopted **District policy for recycled water facilities and service.**

...adopted Resolution Nos. 16140.20, 1600.16, and 1642.18, revising the District's schedules of financial participation charges, or connection fees, effective January 1, 2004. The per-unit **financial participation charge for water changed from \$1,912 to \$2,100** and that of **sewer changed from \$3,236 to \$3,550**. The net effect is an increase of \$502 per unit, or 9.8%, reflecting the 10% increase to the ENR Index that has occurred through September 2003. The District has not changed the schedule since March 2001. Prepaying outstanding connection fees at current rates will be allowed until December 31, 2003.

...approved and authorized **CEQA Certification of the Murrieta Area Sewer Improvements, Phase I** – initial study and mitigated negative declaration and mitigation monitoring program. This proposed project consists of the installation of about one mile of new 18-inch diameter gravity sewer pipeline along an unnamed creek located in the City of Murrieta near I-15 and I-215 and abandonment of the existing 12-inch sewer pipeline to accommodate growth in the area.

...approved and authorized **CEQA Certification of the Reach 16 recycled water pipeline** – initial study and negative declaration. The proposed project consists of the installation of about 17,500 feet of 24-inch diameter recycled waterline in California Avenue, extending north from Simpson Road in the unincorporated area of Riverside County to Devonshire Avenue in the City of Hemet. The recycled water pipeline will provide recycled water to the Landmark at Hemet Golf Club for landscape irrigation and other users along the pipeline route.