

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF  
CACHUMA OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BOARD**

**3301 Laurel Canyon Road  
Santa Barbara, CA 93105**

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**Monday, November 19, 2007**

*Approximate Start Time*  
**3:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

1. **COMB CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL** (COMB Board of Directors.) (*1 minute*).
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (Public may address the Board on any subject matter not on the agenda and within the Board's jurisdiction. See "Notice to the Public" below.) (*5 minutes*)
3. **[CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (a). ONE CASE: CRAWFORD-HALL V COMB, SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, CASE NO. 1171135.]** (*10 minutes*)
4. **CONSENT AGENDA** (For Board action by vote on one motion unless member requests separate consideration.) (*2 minutes*)
  - a. Minutes
    - October 22, 2007 Regular Board Meeting
  - b. Investment of Funds
    - Financial Reports
    - Investment Reports
  - c. Payment of Claims
5. **REPORTS FROM THE MANAGER.** (*5 minutes*)
  - a. Water Storage, Water Production & Use, SWP Accounting
  - b. Operations Report
  - c. 2006 Surcharge Accounting
  - e. **Verbal Report** - Cachuma Reservoir Current Conditions

6. **VERBAL REPORT - MEETING WITH RECLAMATION NOVEMBER 1, 2007** *(15 minutes)*
  - a. Prevention of Quagga Mussels at Lake Cachuma
  - b. Ortega Reservoir Homeowners Association Access License
  
7. **SANTA BARBARA COUNTY'S INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN** *(5 minutes)*
  - a. Prop 50 Round 2 Step 2 Grant Application Process – 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project
  
8. **ZACA FIRE ACTIVITIES** *(5 minutes)*
  
9. **COMB WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT** *(5 minutes)*
  
10. **DISPOSITION OF EXCESS FUNDS FROM FY 2006-2007 AND FY 2007-2008 BUDGET AUGMENTATION** *(10 minutes)*
  - a. \$225,000 Post-Zaca Fire Protection Measures for Lake Cachuma
  - b. \$50,000-IRWMP - Increase in Consultant Costs for Prop 50 Round 2 Step 2 Grant Application for 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project
  
11. **DIRECTORS' REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING** *(5 minutes)*
  
12. **MEETING SCHEDULE**
  - Recommendation to Cancel December 17, 2007 Regular Board Meeting
  - Availability of Board Packages on CCRB-COMB Website  
[www.ccrb-comb.org](http://www.ccrb-comb.org)
  
13. **COMB ADJOURNMENT**

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC**

**Public Comment:** Any member of the public may address the Board on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Board that is not scheduled for a public hearing before the Board. The total time for this item will be limited by the President of the Board. If you wish to address the Board under this item, please complete and deliver to the Secretary of the Board before the meeting is convened, a "Request to Speak" forms including a description of the subject you wish to address.

**Americans with Disabilities Act:** In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board office at (805) 687-4011 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to enable the Board to make reasonable arrangements.

[This Agenda was Posted at 3301 Laurel Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, CA  
at Santa Barbara City Hall, Santa Barbara, CA and at Member District Offices and Noticed and Delivered in Accordance with  
Section 54954.1 and .2 of the Government Code.]

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
of the  
CACHUMA OPERATION & MAINTENANCE BOARD  
held at the  
Cachuma Operation & Maintenance Board Office  
3301 Laurel Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, CA  
Monday, October 22, 2007**

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**1. Call to Order, Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 3:51 p.m. by President Chuck Evans, who chaired the meeting. Those in attendance were:

**Directors present:**

Chuck Evans	Goleta Water District
Matt Loudon	SYR Water Conservation Dist., ID#1
Das Williams	City of Santa Barbara
Jan Abel	Montecito Water District
Robert Lieberknecht	Carpinteria Valley Water District

**Others present:**

Kate Rees	William Hair
Brett Gray	Tim Robinson
Bob Roebuck	Charles Hamilton
Chip Wullbrandt	Chris Dahlstrom
Rebecca Bjork	Janet Gingras
David McDermott	

*The Board next considered Item #6*

**6. Presentation on COMB's Capital Improvement Program Funding Options**

Brett Gray presented information regarding the long-term funding options available for COMB's Capital Improvement Program. The funding goal is to create a way to maximize the capital improvement efforts over the long term with little or no additional financial impact to the South Coast Member Units. The funding options currently under evaluation include a 30 or 40 year revenue bond, a commercial loan from a local banking institution, or a State Revolving Fund loan. The pros and cons of each option were highlighted by Mr. Gray with assistance from Janet Gingras, Administrative Manager.

Director Evans indicated that this was a momentous proposal and inquired about waiting a year or more. Ms Rees said that the COMB Board must commit to providing matching funds

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for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project in the Proposition 50 grant application virtually immediately, so we could not wait a year to get funding in place for that project. Director Abel, as a member of the CIP Committee, stated that the committee had had several meetings to discuss the possible funding options and that they supported the staff recommendations before the Board.

1. Authorize staff to proceed with exploration of long term funding options for COMB Capital Improvement Projects.
2. Obtain proposals for the preparation of environmental compliance documents that will be required for an Engineer's Report prior to securing funding.
3. Obtain a proposal for preparation of an Engineer's Report that is required for a bond issuance.

Director Abel moved to approve the three recommendations, seconded by Director Evans, passed 7/0/0.

*The Board next considered Item #8*

## **8. Zaca Fire Activities**

- a. Consideration of Bathymetric Survey for Lake Cachuma

The Board agreed with Ms. Rees' recommendation that a bathymetric survey of Lake Cachuma was not necessary at this time.

- c. Cachuma Watershed Assessment – Proposal from Balance Hydrologics

Ms. Rees presented the proposal from Barry Hecht of Balance Hydrologics to carry out an impact assessment for Lake Cachuma from the Zaca Fire. The proposal was included in the board packet for the Board's consideration, and outlined a scope of work to determine what might be expected to occur at Lake Cachuma relative to water supply, sedimentation, and water quality under varying hydrologic conditions.

Director Loudon questioned the timing of Mr. Hecht's work and though it may be too late to initiate remedies that he might suggest. Director Williams thought Mr. Hecht's work would provide a great deal of valuable analysis for very little money and was very supportive of moving forward.

Ms Rees has a meeting scheduled with Mr. Hecht to clarify the scope of work for COMB on November 7, 2007.

The recommendations before the Board were:

1. Approve the proposed scope of work from Balance Hydrologics to carry out an impact assessment of Lake Cachuma due to the Zaca Fire.
2. Authorize the General Manager to enter into a contract with Balance Hydrologics for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

Director Abel moved to approve recommendations 1 and 2, seconded by Director Williams, passed 7/0/0.

*The Board next considered Item #11*

## **11. Meeting Schedule**

The date of the November regular Board meeting has been changed from the 26<sup>th</sup> of November to November 19, 2007 following the 2:15 P.M. CCRB regular Board meeting, at the COMB office.

The Board Packets are available on the CCRB-COMB Website, [www.ccrb-comb.org](http://www.ccrb-comb.org)

*The Board next considered Item #4*

## **4. Report From the Auditor for Fiscal Year 2006-2007: Recommendation to Accept the Audit**

The Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 and the Independent Auditors' Report were prepared by Bartlett Pringle & Wolf, Certified Public Accountants and were included in the board packet. Danna McGrew, Partner with Bartlett Pringle & Wolf, and Stacey Hansen, CPA summarized the audit. They issued a clean opinion. The amount to be constructively returned will be \$388,679.

Ms. Rees recommended that the Board of Directors accept the Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 and the Independent Auditor's Report.

Director Evans reported that the COMB Finance Committee had met, reviewed the audit and recommended that the Board accept the Financial Statements and the Auditor's Report.

Director Loudon moved to accept the Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 and the Independent Auditors' Report, seconded by Director Evans, passed 5/0/2, Director Williams was absent.

Chris Dahlstrom, ID No. 1 referred to page 34, Note 13; he requested the phrase "not a voting member of CCRB" be struck from the comment.

*The Board next considered Item # 2*

## **2. Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.

## **3. Consent Agenda**

**a. Minutes:**  
September 24, 2007 Regular Board Meeting

**b. Investment Funds**  
Financial Report  
Investment Report

**c. Payment of Claims**

Director Abel moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Director Evans motion carried, 3/0/4, item 3 (a) minutes, Director Evans abstained Director Williams was absent; 5/0/2 item 3 (b) and (c), Director Williams was absent.

*The Board next considered Item #5*

## **5 Reports from the Manager**

**a. Water Storage, Water Production Use, SWP Accounting**

The monthly reports were included in the Board packet

**b. Operations Report**

The September report on operations from Brett Gray was included in the board packet. Mr. Gray highlighted the SCC pipeline inspections taking place by the COMB field crew. These inspections will enable COMB staff to determine the condition of the aging infrastructure. Along with the inspections the staff has been involved with confined space rescue and safety training.

**c. 2006 Surcharge Accounting**

Ms. Rees reported that the 2006 surcharge balance will continue to be 3,200 acre feet to be used for supplementing fish passage migration flows if favorable storm conditions occur during the rainy season.

**d. Santa Barbara County Water Purveyors Meeting October 11, 2007**

Ms. Rees reported on the October 11<sup>th</sup> Water Purveyors meeting held at CCWA. The agenda and a draft report on water supplies, as well as available information on drought planning were included in the board packet.

**e. Cachuma Reservoir Current Conditions**

Date 10/22/2007

Lake elevation  
Storage

727.37  
128,429 acre feet

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Rain (for the month to date)	0.00 inches
Rain YTD (for the season to date)	0.34 inches
Fish Release-Hilton Creek	23.6 acre feet per day
Month to Date Fish Release	516.3 acre feet
Month to Date Spill	0.00 acre feet

**7. Santa Barbara County's Integrated Regional Water Management Plan**

Ms. Rees highlighted the IRWMP meeting agendas that were included in the board packet. The Prop 50 Round 2 Step 2 Grant Application MOU that the COMB Board approved at the September meeting is going before the County Board of Supervisors for approval on October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

*The Board next considered Item # 8 (b)*

**8b. Post-Fire Actions Being Taken for Lake Cachuma**

Brett Gray reported that there was nothing to report at this time.

**9. COMB Website Development**

The review of the COMB website was deferred to the November 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**10. Directors' Request for Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

There were no requests from the Directors.

**12. COMB Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kate Rees, Secretary of the Board

**APPROVED:**

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Chuck Evans, President

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**Balance Sheet**  
 As of October 31, 2007

	<u>Oct 31, 07</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1050 · GENERAL FUND	22,286.36
1100 · REVOLVING FUND	64,284.09
TRUST FUNDS	
1220 · RENEWAL FUND	5,515.87
1210 · WARREN ACT TRUST FUND	219,962.08
<b>Total TRUST FUNDS</b>	<u>225,477.95</u>
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	312,048.40
Other Current Assets	
1010 · PETTY CASH	400.00
1200 · LAIF	1,140,734.68
1300 · DUE FROM CCRB	46,978.04
1302 · ASSESSMENTS RECEIVABLE-CARP	43,652.25
1303 · SOD Act Assessments Receivable	52,824.00
1400 · PREPAID INSURANCE	11,600.72
1401 · W/C INSURANCE DEPOSIT	3,906.00
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	<u>1,300,095.69</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	1,612,144.09
Fixed Assets	
1500 · VEHICLES	291,882.50
1505 · OFFICE FURN & EQUIPMENT	169,593.40
1510 · TRAILERS	97,803.34
1515 · FIELD EQUIPMENT	315,952.43
1525 · PAVING	22,350.00
1550 · ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	-633,192.50
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<u>264,389.17</u>
Other Assets	
1910 · LT SOD Act Assess Receivable	6,770,319.07
<b>Total Other Assets</b>	<u>6,770,319.07</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>8,646,852.33</u></u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2200 · ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	320,671.13
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	320,671.13
Other Current Liabilities	
2592 · DEFERRED REVENUE - SCC DESI...	114,400.00
2550 · VACATION/SICK	71,006.19
2560 · CACHUMA ENTITLEMENT	-0.01
2561 · BRADBURY DAM SOD ACT	52,824.00
2562 · SWRCB-WATER RIGHTS FEE	-21,473.48
2590 · DEFERRED REVENUE	225,477.95
Payroll-DepPrm Admin	37.31
Payroll-DepPrm Ops	4.62
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<u>442,276.58</u>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	762,947.71
Long Term Liabilities	
2603 · LT SOD Act Liability - Lauro	1,060,000.00
2600 · Lease Obligation Payable	15,203.50
2601 · Note Payable SBB&T	43,652.25
2602 · SOD Act Liability-Long Term	5,710,319.07
<b>Total Long Term Liabilities</b>	<u>6,829,174.82</u>



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**Balance Sheet**  
As of October 31, 2007

	<u>Oct 31, 07</u>
Total Liabilities	7,592,122.53
Equity	
3000 · Opening Bal Equity	0.95
3901 · Retained Earnings	1,181,912.75
Net Income	<u>-127,183.90</u>
Total Equity	<u>1,054,729.80</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u><u>8,646,852.33</u></u></b>

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**Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**  
July through October 2007

	TOTAL			
	Jul - Oct 07	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Income				
3000 REVENUE				
3001 · O&M Budget	1,185,762.74			
3003 · Assessment Revenue-Carp	594.63			
3010 · Interest Income	34,139.99			
3070 · OES 2005 Storm 1577 Reimb	700.00			
Total 3000 REVENUE	<u>1,221,197.36</u>			
Total Income	<u>1,221,197.36</u>			
Gross Profit	<u>1,221,197.36</u>			
Expense				
void	0.00			
3100 LABOR				
3150 · Health & Workers Comp	48,070.86	157,010.00	-108,939.14	30.62%
3155 · PERS	22,429.09	83,745.00	-61,315.91	26.78%
3160 · Payroll Comp FICA Ops	9,967.26	35,755.00	-25,787.74	27.88%
3165 · Payroll Comp MCARE Ops	2,331.16	8,362.00	-6,030.84	27.88%
3100 LABOR - Other	0.00	541,693.00	-541,693.00	0.0%
Total 3100 LABOR	<u>224,020.50</u>	<u>826,565.00</u>	<u>-602,544.50</u>	<u>27.1%</u>
3200 VEH & EQUIPMENT				
3201 · Vehicle/Equip Mtce	10,022.79	38,000.00	-27,977.21	26.38%
3202 · Fixed Capital	5,466.09	47,000.00	-41,533.91	11.63%
3203 · Equipment Rental	5,904.95	25,000.00	-19,095.05	23.62%
3204 · Miscellaneous	9,821.95	16,000.00	-6,178.05	61.39%
Total 3200 VEH & EQUIPMENT	<u>31,215.78</u>	<u>126,000.00</u>	<u>-94,784.22</u>	<u>24.77%</u>
3300 · CONTRACT LABOR				
3301 · Conduit, Meter, Valve & Misc	1,815.05	12,000.00	-10,184.95	15.13%
3302 · Buildings & Roads	2,357.43	16,000.00	-13,642.57	14.73%
3303 · Reservoirs	5,132.45	52,000.00	-46,867.55	9.87%
3304 · Engineering, Misc Services	13,830.16	22,000.00	-8,169.84	62.86%
Total 3300 · CONTRACT LABOR	<u>23,135.09</u>	<u>102,000.00</u>	<u>-78,864.91</u>	<u>22.68%</u>
3400 · MATERIALS & SUPPLIES				
3401 · Conduit, Meter, Valve & Misc	22,027.74	22,000.00	27.74	100.13%

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**Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**  
July through October 2007

	Jul - Oct 07	Budget	TOTAL \$ Over Budget	% of Budget
3402 · Buildings & Roads	3,962.78	22,000.00	-18,037.22	18.01%
3403 · Reservoirs	3,332.48	10,000.00	-6,667.52	33.33%
<b>Total 3400 · MATERIALS &amp; SUPPLIES</b>	<b>29,323.00</b>	<b>54,000.00</b>	<b>-24,677.00</b>	<b>54.3%</b>
<b>3500 · OTHER EXPENSES</b>				
3501 · Utilities	1,339.02	6,500.00	-5,160.98	20.6%
3502 · Uniforms	2,047.07	6,500.00	-4,452.93	31.49%
3503 · Communications	4,679.60	20,000.00	-15,320.40	23.4%
3504 · USA & Other Services	770.65	4,000.00	-3,229.35	19.27%
3505 · Miscellaneous	1,691.04	6,000.00	-4,308.96	28.18%
3506 · Training	2,279.99	7,000.00	-4,720.01	32.57%
<b>Total 3500 · OTHER EXPENSES</b>	<b>12,807.37</b>	<b>50,000.00</b>	<b>-37,192.63</b>	<b>25.52%</b>
<b>4999 · GENERAL &amp; ADMINISTRATIVE</b>				
5000 · Director Fees				
5001 · Director Mileage	318.27	1,000.00	-681.73	31.83%
5000 · Director Fees - Other	3,840.00	11,000.00	-7,160.00	34.91%
<b>Total 5000 · Director Fees</b>	<b>4,158.27</b>	<b>12,000.00</b>	<b>-7,841.73</b>	<b>34.65%</b>
5100 · Legal	12,387.00	57,000.00	-44,613.00	21.73%
5101-1 · Audit	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	100.0%
5150 · Unemployment Tax	0.00	6,500.00	-6,500.00	0.0%
5200 · Liability Insurance	30,278.00	44,000.00	-13,722.00	68.81%
5201 · Health & Workers Comp	22,666.83	54,970.00	-32,303.17	41.24%
5250 · PERS	9,379.82	30,675.00	-21,295.18	30.58%
5260 · Comp FICA Admin	3,557.86	12,416.00	-8,858.14	28.66%
5265 · Comp MCARE Admin	874.07	2,903.00	-2,028.93	30.11%
5300 · Manager Salary	13,343.00	43,365.00	-30,022.00	30.77%
5301 · Administrative Manager	25,736.91	85,417.00	-59,680.09	30.13%
5306 · Administrative Assistant	16,366.08	53,190.00	-36,823.92	30.77%
5310 · Postage/Office Exp	1,556.39	9,000.00	-7,443.61	17.29%
5311 · Office Equip/Leases	1,391.96	6,200.00	-4,808.04	22.45%
5312 · Misc Admin Expenses	9,334.03	8,000.00	1,334.03	116.68%
5313 · Communications	830.59	12,000.00	-11,169.41	6.92%
5314 · Utilities	2,583.39	5,300.00	-2,716.61	48.74%
5315 · Membership Dues	374.00	6,850.00	-6,476.00	5.46%
5316 · Admin Fixed Assets	0.00	7,000.00	-7,000.00	0.0%

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Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual  
July through October 2007

	Jul - Oct 07	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>TOTAL</b>				
5325 · Emp Training/Subscriptions	584.79	4,500.00	-3,915.21	13.0%
5330 · Admin Travel/Conferences	686.37	6,000.00	-5,313.63	11.44%
5331 · Public Information	47.31	8,000.00	-7,952.69	0.59%
5332 · Transportation	90.62	1,200.00	-1,109.38	7.55%
<b>Total 4999 · GENERAL &amp; ADMINISTRATIVE</b>	<b>166,227.29</b>	<b>486,486.00</b>	<b>-320,258.71</b>	<b>34.17%</b>
5510 · Integrated Reg. Water Mgt Plan	16.88	60,000.00	-59,983.12	0.03%
<b>6000 · SPECIAL PROJECTS</b>				
6062 · SCADA	14,156.84	30,000.00	-15,843.16	47.19%
6090-1 · COMB Bldg/Grounds Repair	1,425.60	50,000.00	-48,574.40	2.85%
6092 · SCC Improv Plan & Design	158,988.10	250,000.00	-91,011.90	63.6%
6095 · SCC Valve & Cntrl Sta Rehab	272,075.40	450,000.00	-177,924.60	60.46%
6095-1 · Lauro Debris Basin Rehab	10,638.06	1,144,050.23	-1,133,412.17	0.93%
6095-2 · Lauro Debris Basin CR	0.00	-544,050.23	544,050.23	0.0%
6096 · SCC Structure Rehabilitation	332,060.87	450,000.00	-117,939.13	73.79%
6097 · GIS and Mapping	6,442.34	40,000.00	-33,557.66	16.11%
<b>Total 6000 · SPECIAL PROJECTS</b>	<b>795,787.21</b>	<b>1,870,000.00</b>	<b>-1,074,212.79</b>	<b>42.56%</b>
<b>6400 · STORM DAMAGE</b>				
6401 · Storm Damage 2005	0.00	100,000.00	-100,000.00	0.0%
6402 · Zaca Fire Damage	30,030.00	0.00	30,030.00	100.0%
<b>Total 6400 · STORM DAMAGE</b>	<b>30,030.00</b>	<b>100,000.00</b>	<b>-69,970.00</b>	<b>30.03%</b>
<b>7000 · LEGAL &amp; LITIGATION</b>				
7002 · Spec Counsel-FMP-BO EIS/R	35,223.29	100,000.00	-64,776.71	35.22%
<b>Total 7000 · LEGAL &amp; LITIGATION</b>	<b>35,223.29</b>	<b>100,000.00</b>	<b>-64,776.71</b>	<b>35.22%</b>
<b>7006 · INTEREST EXPENSE</b>				
<b>PAYROLL</b>				
Gross	594.63			
Gross-CCRB	0.40			
	-0.18			
<b>Total PAYROLL</b>	<b>0.22</b>			
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>1,348,381.26</b>	<b>3,775,051.00</b>	<b>-2,426,669.74</b>	<b>35.72%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-127,183.90</b>	<b>-3,775,051.00</b>	<b>3,647,867.10</b>	<b>3.37%</b>



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**This Statement Covers**  
From: 10/01/07  
Through: 10/31/07

CACHUMA OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BOARD  
3301 LAUREL CANYON RD 96491  
SANTA BARBARA CA 93105-2017

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**Your Account at a Glance**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<i>KK</i> <b>\$102,747.45</b> ✓	Interest Earned	\$148.42
Checks Paid	<i>11/9/07</i> \$229,130.00	Annual Percentage Yield Earned	1.64%
Other Withdrawals	\$0.00	YTD Interest Paid	\$217.57
Deposits	+\$131,898.42	YTD Interest Withheld	\$0.00
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$5,515.87</b>		

Date	Description	Withdrawals (-)	Deposits (+)
10/02	Customer Deposit		\$131,750.00
10/31	Interest Payment		\$148.42 ✓

**Checks Paid**

\*Indicates check out of sequence

Check Number	Date	Amount Paid	Check Number	Date	Amount Paid
1024	10/16	\$229,130.00			

**MEMO TO:** Board of Directors  
Cachuma Operation & Maintenance Board

**FROM:** Kathleen Rees, Secretary

**SUBJECT:** COMB INVESTMENT POLICY

The above statement of investment activity for the month of October, 2007, complies with legal requirements for investment policy of government agencies, AB 1073. I hereby certify that it constitutes a complete and accurate summary of all Washington Mutual Bank investments of this agency for the period indicated.

*Kathleen Rees*  
Secretary

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From: 10/01/07  
Through: 10/31/07

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**Your Account at a Glance**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$118,163.23</b> ✓	Interest Earned	\$232.85
Checks Paid	\$0.00	Annual Percentage Yield Earned	1.65%
Other Withdrawals	\$0.00	YTD Interest Paid	\$1,043.00
Deposits	<i>KK</i> <i>11/9/07</i> <b>+\$101,798.85</b> ✓	YTD Interest Withheld	\$0.00
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$219,962.08</b>		

Date	Description	Withdrawals (-)	Deposits (+)
10/16	Customer Deposit		\$101,566.00 ✓
10/31	Interest Payment		\$232.85 ✓

**MEMO TO:** Board of Directors  
Cachuma Operation & Maintenance Board

**FROM:** Kathleen Rees, Secretary

**SUBJECT:** COMB INVESTMENT POLICY

The above statement of investment activity for the month of October, 2007, complies with legal requirements for investment policy of government agencies, AB 1073. I hereby certify that it constitutes a complete and accurate summary of all Washington Mutual Bank investments of this agency for the period indicated.

*Kathleen Rees*  
Secretary

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CACHUMA OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BOARD

Attn: GENERAL MANAGER

3301 LAUREL CANYON ROAD

SANTA BARBARA CA 93105-2017

Account Number : 70-42-001

Transactions

Effective Date	Transaction Date	Tran Type	Confirm Number	Authorized Caller	Amount
09-04-2007	09-04-2007	RW	1137145	KATHLEEN REES	- 210,000.00
09-10-2007	09-07-2007	RW	1137673	KATHLEEN REES	- 360,000.00

Account Summary

Total Deposit :	0.00	Beginning Balance :	1,993,447.23
Total Withdrawal :	- 570,000.00	Ending Balance :	1,423,447.23

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Account Number : 70-42-001

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**Transactions**

Effective Date	Transaction Date	Tran Type	Confirm Number	Authorized Caller	Amount
10-02-2007	10-02-2007	RW	1140190	KATHLEEN REES	- 300,000.00
10-11-2007	10-10-2007	RW	1141020	KATHLEEN REES	- 165,000.00
10-15-2007	10-12-2007	QRD	1143226	SYSTEM	17,287.45
10-29-2007	10-29-2007	RD	1145460	KATHLEEN REES	165,000.00

**Account Summary**

Total Deposit :	182,287.45	Beginning Balance :	1,423,447.23
Total Withdrawal :	- 465,000.00	Ending Balance :	1,140,734.68

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Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
<b>1050 · GENERAL FUND</b>					
10/2/2007	16470	COMB - Revolving Fund	Oct payrolls/taxes-Nov-1st payroll	2200 · ACC...	-159,276.53
10/3/2007	16471	Acom Landscape Manage...	Scheduled mtce	2200 · ACC...	-246.65
10/3/2007	16472	ACWA Services Corporati...	Oct EAP	2200 · ACC...	-47.46
10/3/2007	16473	Aqua-Flo Supply	PVC pipe	2200 · ACC...	-155.16
10/3/2007	16474	B & B Surplus, Inc.	Flat exp metal PO#8766	2200 · ACC...	-48.26
10/3/2007	16475	Bartlett, Pringle & Wolf, LLP	Client #A6145.1100 Audit 06/07	2200 · ACC...	-10,000.00
10/3/2007	16476	Best, Best & Krieger, LLP	Crawford-Hall CEQA Aug services	2200 · ACC...	-33,849.49
10/3/2007	16477	Boyle Engineering Corp.		2200 · ACC...	-22,649.30
10/3/2007	16478	Bureau of Reclamation	1st Period Entitlement 10/1/07-4/1...	2200 · ACC...	-804,748.61
10/3/2007	16479	Business Card		2200 · ACC...	-1,436.16
10/3/2007	16480	C. Charles Evans	Sep mtg fees	2200 · ACC...	-132.85
10/3/2007	16481	Cal Poly Corporation	Pipeline hydraulics/Pumps classe...	2200 · ACC...	-682.50
10/3/2007	16482	Cedant Web Hosting	Reg#2499621453	2200 · ACC...	-19.94
10/3/2007	16483	Central Machine & Welding	Fabricate aluminum diamond plat...	2200 · ACC...	-6,950.00
10/3/2007	16484	CIO Solutions, Inc.	Support	2200 · ACC...	-371.25
10/3/2007	16485	CMC Rescue, Inc		2200 · ACC...	-6,466.68
10/3/2007	16486	Coastal Copy	Monthly mtce KM5035 8/4-9/3/07	2200 · ACC...	-170.43
10/3/2007	16487	Cox Communications	Business internet 9/18-10/17/07	2200 · ACC...	-199.00
10/3/2007	16488	Das Williams	Sep mtg fees	2200 · ACC...	-132.02
10/3/2007	16489	Draganchuk Alarm Systems	Alarm monitoring Oct-Dec 07	2200 · ACC...	-82.50
10/3/2007	16490	ECHO Communications	Answering service	2200 · ACC...	-60.00
10/3/2007	16491	Federal Express	CCRB Mailings	2200 · ACC...	-53.33
10/3/2007	16492	Flowers & Associates, Inc.		2200 · ACC...	-19,482.75
10/3/2007	16493	Harry DeWitt	Sep fees	2200 · ACC...	-132.85
10/3/2007	16494	Henry Pratt Company	Blind flanges/butterfly vavles PO#...	2200 · ACC...	-17,037.00
10/3/2007	16495	J&C Services		2200 · ACC...	-500.00
10/3/2007	16496	Jan Abel	Sep mtg fees	2200 · ACC...	-275.40
10/3/2007	16497	June Van Wingerden	Sep mtg fees	2200 · ACC...	-141.72
10/3/2007	16498	Laser Cartridge Co.	Cartridge recharge-CCRB	2200 · ACC...	-123.80
10/3/2007	16499	Matt Loudon	Sep mtg fees	2200 · ACC...	-155.49
10/3/2007	16500	Nextel Communications	Cellular 8/19-9/18/07	2200 · ACC...	-403.97
10/3/2007	16501	PG&E		2200 · ACC...	-177.80
10/3/2007	16502	Praxair Distribution		2200 · ACC...	-360.99
10/3/2007	16503	Prudential Overall Supply		2200 · ACC...	-325.56
10/3/2007	16504	Republic Elevator	Schedule mtce	2200 · ACC...	-232.17
10/3/2007	16505	Santa Barbara Police Dep...	False alarm fee	2200 · ACC...	-100.00
10/3/2007	16506	Science Applications Inter...		2200 · ACC...	-16,699.38
10/3/2007	16507	Specialty Tool, LTD	Oil	2200 · ACC...	-142.55
10/3/2007	16508	State Compensation Insur...	Payroll Report Sep 07	2200 · ACC...	-3,327.86
10/3/2007	16509	The Gas Company	Main ofc	2200 · ACC...	-1.07
10/3/2007	16510	Titan Industrial & Safety S...	Safety glasses/calibration gas cyli...	2200 · ACC...	-325.47
10/3/2007	16511	Underground Service Alert	64 new tickets	2200 · ACC...	-102.40
10/3/2007	16512	Verizon Wireless	Cellular	2200 · ACC...	-195.39
10/9/2007	16513	Channel City Lumber	Lockwash/washer/hex nut	2200 · ACC...	-11.58
10/9/2007	16514	City of Santa Barbara-Rec...	Recycle 8/31-9/30/07	2200 · ACC...	-7.35
10/9/2007	16515	City of SB-Refuse	Refuse 8/31-9/30/07	2200 · ACC...	-153.19
10/9/2007	16516	Culligan Water	RO system Oct	2200 · ACC...	-20.95
10/9/2007	16517	Fence Factory	Fence install-Ortega Res PO#07-...	2200 · ACC...	-5,220.00
10/9/2007	16518	Home Depot Credit Services		2200 · ACC...	-205.20
10/9/2007	16519	MarBorg Industries	Roll off Tkt#59672	2200 · ACC...	-329.28
10/9/2007	16520	Paychex, Inc.	9/7,21 payrolls/taxes	2200 · ACC...	-220.68
10/9/2007	16521	Permacolor, Inc.		-SPLIT-	-2,191.86
10/9/2007	16522	Staples Credit Plan	Office supplies	2200 · ACC...	-1,437.00
10/9/2007	16523	The Wharf		2200 · ACC...	-1,693.42
10/10/2007	16524	CIO Solutions, Inc.	Support	2200 · ACC...	-412.50
10/10/2007	16525	City of Santa Barbara-Cen...	Overalls/raincoat	2200 · ACC...	-181.96
10/10/2007	16526	Fleet Fueling	Fuel	2200 · ACC...	-1,154.76
10/10/2007	16527	GE Capital	Copier lease Billing ID#90133603...	2200 · ACC...	-427.77
10/10/2007	16528	McMaster-Carr Supply Co.	Duct hose PO#8774	-SPLIT-	-277.65
10/10/2007	16529	Orchard Supply Hardware		-SPLIT-	-274.67
10/10/2007	16530	Santa Barbara Fabrication	Weld flanges for blow off pipes	2200 · ACC...	-300.00

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Date	Num	Name	Memo	Split	Amount
10/10/2007	16531	Southern California Edison	Glen Anne gate	2200 · ACC...	-17.98
10/11/2007	16532	Best, Best & Krieger, LLP	Crawford-Hall CEQA Sep services	2200 · ACC...	-1,007.30
10/11/2007	16533	US Bureau of Reclamation	6th Annual SOD Act payment	2200 · ACC...	-164,870.00
10/11/2007	16534	Quinn Company	Backhoe part	2200 · ACC...	-43.91
10/11/2007	16535	Verizon California		2200 · ACC...	-356.33
10/16/2007	16536	ACWA Services Corp. (AS...	11/1-12/1/07 coverage	2200 · ACC...	-10,418.53
10/16/2007	16537	AT&T	Sep statement	2200 · ACC...	-271.12
10/16/2007	16538	CMC Rescue, Inc		2200 · ACC...	-2,260.03
10/16/2007	16539	COMB-Petty Cash	Replenish petty cash	2200 · ACC...	-209.72
10/16/2007	16540	Henry Pratt Company	Butterfly vavle PO#8772	2200 · ACC...	-2,462.00
10/16/2007	16541	Hydrex Pest Control Co.	Ant/pest control	2200 · ACC...	-175.00
10/16/2007	16542	J&C Services	10/1,5 ofc cleaning	2200 · ACC...	-250.00
10/16/2007	16543	MarBorg Industries		2200 · ACC...	-171.66
10/16/2007	16544	Pitney Bowes Purchase P...	Ink cartridge	2200 · ACC...	-149.74
10/16/2007	16545	So. California Edison	Line extension	2200 · ACC...	-2,464.32
10/16/2007	16546	Southern California Edison	Main ofc/outlying stations	2200 · ACC...	-1,546.76
10/16/2007	16547	Specialty Tool, LTD	Drill/tools	2200 · ACC...	-220.67
10/17/2007	16548	Caterpillar Financial Servi...	Backhoe lease Contract #001-025...	2200 · ACC...	-1,294.06
10/23/2007	16549	Coastline Equipment Co.	Generator repair	2200 · ACC...	-539.68
10/23/2007	16550	M. Lee Smith Publishers L...	CA Work Comp Alert 12 issues 2...	2200 · ACC...	-247.00
10/23/2007	16551	Milpas Rental	Generator rental	2200 · ACC...	-251.94
10/23/2007	16552	Nordman, Cormany, Hair ...	Gen Counsel Sep services	2200 · ACC...	-4,715.00
10/23/2007	16553	Quality Machine Shop	Fittings	2200 · ACC...	-1,426.96
10/23/2007	16554	The Gas Company	Main ofc	2200 · ACC...	-2.10
10/23/2007	16555	Verizon California	SCADA	2200 · ACC...	-515.21
10/29/2007	16556	Cedant Web Hosting	Reg#2499621453	2200 · ACC...	-19.94
10/29/2007	16557	County of Santa Barbara ...	Debris boom purchase/install	2200 · ACC...	-30,000.00
10/29/2007	16558	EAC	Seminar-Labor Law Update-11/7/...	2200 · ACC...	-60.00
10/29/2007	16559	Graham International	Metric meter/bearings/meter stan...	2200 · ACC...	-1,217.48
10/29/2007	16560	McCormix Corp.	Diesel fuel	2200 · ACC...	-121.29
10/29/2007	16561	David Ault	Reimb-radios for inspection	2200 · ACC...	-64.64
Total 1050 · GENERAL FUND					-1,349,911.93
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>-1,349,911.93</b>

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**Payment of Claims-Renewal Fund**  
October 3 - 31, 2007

<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Split</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Oct 3 - 31, 07					
10/11/2007	1024	Cachuma Conservation Rele...	Funds transfer to CCRB ...	2590 · DE...	-229,130.00
10/11/2007	1023	void		void	
Oct 3 - 31, 07					<u>-229,130.00</u>

## Operations Report – October 2007

Cachuma Project water usage for the month of October 2007 was 2,693 acre-feet, compared with 2,527 acre-feet for the same period in 2006. Cachuma Project water use for the 12 months ending 31 October 2007 was 27,525 acre-feet, compared with 24,284 acre-feet for the 12 months ending 31 October 2006.

The average flow from Lake Cachuma into the Tecolote Tunnel was 114 acre-feet per day. Lake elevation was 729.08 feet at the beginning of the month and 726.64 feet at the end. Recorded rainfall at Bradbury Dam was 0.34 inches for the month and 0.51 inches for the rainfall season, which commenced on July 1, 2007.

Santa Barbara wheeled 49 acre-feet of Gibraltar water through Lauro Reservoir during the month. 588 acre-feet of State Water Project water was wheeled through Cachuma Project facilities and delivered to South Coast Member Units during the month.

Work continued again this month on the internal SCC pipeline inspection project. The pipeline was inspected from station 99+22 to 122+20. The inspection was very interesting. Overall the pipeline was in very good condition. Some longitudinal and tangential cracks were noted in several sections. A few joints have some minor corrosion and rust staining. The three blow-offs inspected look to be in good condition. Overall we are very happy with the condition we are seeing and the progress we are making. The next scheduled shutdown is for the week of November 5<sup>th</sup>. A full report and presentation will be given in January at the completion of this year's inspections.

Staff participated in Confined Space Rescue Training conducted by CMC Rescue School at COMB and in many of our confined spaces. COMB conducts dozens of confined space entries each year in our more than 200 confined spaces, with many located in remote areas. This training will allow staff to better plan confined space entries, rescue staff if an emergency occurs, and to better assist other rescue services in case of an emergency. The training included identifying confined space hazards, monitoring confined spaces, and how to get someone out of a confined space. Drills were held within a pipeline such as climbing forward and backwards in a 30 foot stick of 24" pipe, passing another person in a 24" pipeline, and entering a 24" pipe and putting a person on a rescue sked and extracting them. These exercised were difficult but gave staff a strong understanding of how they would help an injured co-worker in a confined space. This training was essential with the further entries we are doing for inspection of the SCC. All staff were included in this training.

Miscellaneous work conducted this month includes:

- The riser piping for two blow-offs were installed and now fully functional.
- Road repairs were made to gravel farm road due to erosion caused by an operator error of a blow-off.

Routine operation and maintenance activities conducted during the month included:

- Sample water at North Portal Intake Tower
- Complete Maintenance Management Program work orders

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- Read anode rectifiers and monitor cathodic protection systems
- Monitor conduit right-of-way and respond to Dig Alert reports
- Read piezometers and underdrains at Glen Anne, Lauro and Ortega Dams
- Read meters, conduct monthly dam inspections, and flush venturimeter meters



Brett Gray  
Operations Supervisor

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# CACHUMA RESERVOIR

## DISPOSITION OF 2006 SURCHARGE WATER AND 2007 WR 89-18 WATER RIGHTS RELEASE (UNOFFICIAL)

DATE	DESCRIPTION	FISH RELEASE FROM SURCHARGE (acre feet)	SURCHARGE BALANCE (acre feet)	FISH RELEASE FROM PROJECT YIELD (acre feet)	WR 89-18 RELEASE Includes fish release to Hilton Creek (acre feet)
5/31/2006	End of Spill				
6/30/2006	June	605	9,200		
7/31/2006	July	620	8,595		
8/31/2006	August	613	7,975		
9/30/2006	September	596	7,362		
10/31/2006	October	409	6,766		
11/30/2006	November	354	6,357		
12/31/2006	December	360	6,003		
1/31/2007	January	352	5,643		
2/28/2007	February	328	5,291		
3/31/2007	March	373	4,963		
4/30/2007	April	393	4,590		
5/31/2007	May	455	4,197		
*6/30/2007	June	542	3,742		
**7/31/2007	July		3,200	561	2,491
8/31/2007	August		3,200	803	4,644
9/30/2007	September		3,200		2,556
10/31/2007	October		3,200		2,068
**11/30/2007	November			(projected) 304	206
*** TOTAL		6,000	9,200	1,668	11,965

\* Supplemental target flow release began 6/23/07

\*\* WR 89-19 Releases began 7/24/07 and ended 11/5/07

\*\*\* Total Fish Release From Surcharge includes 5,500 AF for target rearing flows and 500 AF from Adaptive Management Acct.

**D R A F T**  
**Santa Barbara Countywide**  
**Integrated Regional Water Management Plan**  
**Cooperating Partners Meeting**  
**Tuesday, November 13, 2007**  
**11:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**Location:** City of Santa Maria, Community Development Department,  
110 South Pine Street in Santa Maria

- Directions: Hwy 101 north to exit for Main Street/Route166, turn left on Main St (west toward Guadalupe), Go 1.2 mile on Main St.; turn left on Pine St, Go 0.1 mile to # 110 S. Pine Street

*Conference call phone: 1-877-873-8016 and participant code 861785*

**AGENDA**

- 11:00 Welcome and introductions
- 11:10 Public comments for items not on the agenda
- 11:20 Approval of minutes from October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting
  
- 11:30 **Santa Barbara Invited to Submit for Step 2!!! Congratulations!**
  
- 11:45 **Discussion on Roundtable of Regions Summit –Thurs, November 8<sup>th</sup>**
  - Rob Almy and Kathy Caldwell to attend in Sacramento
  
- 12:15 **Status Update on Project Information Gathering and Required Partners Submittals to CH2MHill for Step 2**
  
- 1:00 **Upcoming Schedule and Process**
  - Step 2 submittal due to DWR on January 15, 2008
  
- 1:20 **State IRWMP Meetings and Workshops:**
  - DWR workshops for Step 2 applicants- 12/5 (Sacramento) and 12/6 (Riverside)
  
- 1:40 **Next Meeting:** Time and Date to be decided at meeting- Host needed.
  
- 2:00 **Adjourn**

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**Meeting Minutes**  
**Santa Barbara Countywide**  
**Integrated Regional Water Management Plan**  
**Cooperating Partners Meeting**

**October 25, 2007**  
**9:00am -12:00pm**

*Location: Goleta Water District, 4699 Hollister Avenue, Santa Barbara*

**Attendees**

**Cooperating Partners**

Robert Almy, SB County Water Agency; Joe Barget, Vandenberg Village CSD; Bill Ferguson, City of Santa Barbara, Water Resources Division; Len Fleckenstein, SB County Water Agency; Janet Gringas, COMB and CCRB; Teresa Reyburn, City of Santa Maria; Gary McFarland, Goleta Water District; Kathleen Werner, Goleta Sanitary District; Steve Tanner, Pueblo Water (for Carpinteria Valley Water District); Craig Murray, Carpinteria Sanitary District; David Chang, County Agricultural Commissioner's Office; Bruce Wales, Santa Ynez Valley Water Conservation District; Chris Dahlstrom, Santa Ynez Valley Water Conservation District, ID#1; Bob McDonald, Carpinteria Valley Water District; Kristi Troyna, City of Goleta;

**On the Conference Call**

Kate Rees, COMB and CCRB

**Others Present**

Kathy Caldwell, CH2MHill; Holly Meyers, CH2MHill; Michael Maxwell, CH2MHill; Bill Whitaker, CH2MHill; Dana Larson; CH2MHill; Laura Eckert, CH2MHill; Tom Evans, Dudek; Shruti Chandra; Aspen Environmental

**Proceedings**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM by Rob Almy.

There were no public comments for items not on the agenda.

The minutes from the Cooperating Partners meeting on August 22, 2007 were approved with one change. Kathleen Werner requested that the minutes reflect that Goleta Sanitary District had sent in their project assessment form. The minutes will be posted on the County's IRWMP website.

**State "Call Backs" for Step 2**

Rob Almy attended a meeting in Sacramento with Tracie Billington on Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and Department of Water Resources (DWR) were comfortable with the draft call back list and there were a few

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regions that were on the cusp of either dropping off or making it on the list and that is why the call back decision has been delayed. There needed to be additional discussions internally among DWR and SWRCB to come to a final decision regarding those regions who were on the cusp. During the meeting with Tracie Billington, the Cuyama CSD project was discussed and Rob Almy indicated that DWR does have some issues with that project; however, Tracie indicated that we are dealing with the DACs appropriately. Urban Water Management Plans need to complete for agencies with projects. This is a pre-requisite to be considered for funding. There are 2 projects that are design projects which are the proposed Arundo Removal and Proposed Santa Maria River Levee upgrade design project. These projects need to be discussed among our region more, because the guidelines are biased towards the construction projects, which these are not. Tracie Billington did acknowledge that the schedule is tight.

The Prop 84 final guidelines will not be issued until late next year because the governor vetoed the budget. The draft guidelines will likely be issued at the end of this year.

There is a current smaller grant program only for flood control under Prop 84 which has a 5 Million dollar cap and the application for this program are due on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **MOU #2 for Step 2 Application & on-going coordination**

The MOU was approved by most of the Partners (all of the Partners with projects) and the County Board of Supervisors approved it along with CH2MHill's (CH) contract. We are still waiting for a few Partners that do not have projects to sign the MOU and pay the \$50 which would commit them to participate in the on-going IRWMP coordination.

Bill Ferguson asked how the projects are dealt with that drop off the list. The group agreed to discuss it at the end since Kathleen Werner also had a question about this process and she will be coming to the meeting a little later.

### **New IRWMP "Project Management Team"**

Tom Evans was introduced as part of the Dudek management team. Tom will act as the management lead along with Shruti Chandra of Aspen. They will both work as extension of County staff in managing the process for the Step 2 application. Tom Evans will begin running the next meeting.

### **CH2M Hill Contract for Step 2 Application**

CH2MHill's contract was approved. The CH team was introduced. CH will also be doing the preliminary engineering for the small disadvantaged communities of Cuyama and Casmalia. The Water Agency is covering the funding of this portion for those two CSDs.

Kathy Caldwell then went over a PowerPoint presentation regarding where we are now in the process and where we will be going with respect to Step 2. We have 14 projects to put forward into the Step 2 application to request funding. Right now we have an average

matching amount of approximately 63% for the program which includes each individual project. Kathy Caldwell continued to discuss the criteria and schedule. There is no leeway with the current schedule and it is important that we maintain the schedule because of the constraints. Craig Murray asked if there is anything that they can come prepared with respect to the individual project proponent meetings. Holly Myers of CH will send out a checklist so that the agencies can be prepared with information needed for Step 2. The final information is due to CH on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Shruti Chandra will send out the PowerPoint to the Partners via email

### **Potential Speed Bumps on the Step 2 Roadway**

Urban Water Management Plans (UWMPs) and Groundwater Management Plans (GWMPs) needs to be in place for each agency that has a project. These are pre-requisites for being able to obtain funding from the State. If you are not adjudicated then you need to have a GWMP. David Todd is the contact at DWR for questions regarding the GWMP's.

Len Fleckenstein provided the group with information regarding the Labor Compliance Program. You need a program before you sign the grant agreement with the State. There are some nuances with respect to who has to comply with Public Contract Code, etc. More research needs to be done to understand how this applies to Step 2 applicants.

### **State IRWMP Meetings and Workshops**

There are some upcoming workshops:

Len attended a workshop on Prop 84 which was put on by DWR (Tracie Billington and Joe Yun). Since the workshop, things have changed because Prop 84 will not be funded in the coming fiscal year. There may be some additional workshops regarding Prop 84 after the draft guidelines have been issued. The State wants to integrate flood management with environmental issues and water supply planning.

The Roundtable of Regions calls are very helpful because the knowledge and experiences of other regions are imparted onto the group and it has been very educational to listen to others' experiences. There is a Summit on November 8<sup>th</sup> which is in Sacramento at the EPA building to discuss the IRWMP Process. Len had previously solicited the Cooperating Partners' comments on priority issues and questions from our region so that we can get them answered at this forum.

There will also be a DWR workshop in December sometime for the Step 2 process. There is no specific date

### **Items Deferred to the end of the meeting**

A question was asked to the group on how re-imburement works under the MOU if a project drops off the list. Rob Almy responded that he wasn't aware of any projects that have dropped off the list that would make a significant change to the project list. We are already asking for over 25 Million and the La Cumbre Mutual Project was a smaller project that dropped off the list but didn't make a big enough impact on the amount of money we are asking enough in order to bring another project onto the list. Also something to keep in mind is that with the exception of the 2 planning projects, DWR's Tracie Billington did not say anything negative about the other projects, which means that according to DWR they were appropriate projects to remain on the list.

Although Goleta Sanitary District has committed to paying for their portion of the Step 2 application costs, the District is concerned that if the State does not fund their project , then that money would be lost. Goleta Sanitary District wanted to make sure that it was discussed on a broader level and that the Partners were in agreement that this was a risk that the Partners with projects are taking. Rob Almy confirmed that the MOU does not include a clause on re-imburement and that he understood Goleta Sanitary District's perspective.

Bill Ferguson from the City of Santa Barbara wanted to discuss the current project list to see if there had been any changes to the list - - or whether there might be changes prior to submitting the grant application. This will depend on what type of information that CH receives on each project. After November 9<sup>th</sup>, the group should have a clearer idea of where the projects stand.

The Mission Creek project from the City of SB may be considered an alternate in case a project becomes non-eligible for whatever reason. The group agreed to this. Holly Myers of CH2M Hill will schedule a meeting with the City to discuss this project as well.

It is expected that if a project comes on from a new agency, it is expected that the new agency would contribute to funding the consultant costs and the group agreed to this.

The project assessment forms will be shared with the Water Agency, Dudek and Holly Myers of CH2MHill.

### Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held in the City of Santa Maria on November 13<sup>th</sup> starting in mid- to late morning. Location in Santa Maria to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned by Rob Almy at 11:30am.



**Proposition 50  
Grant Application  
Kick-off**

**Santa Barbara County**

**Project Participants**

**October 25, 2007**

# Meeting Goals

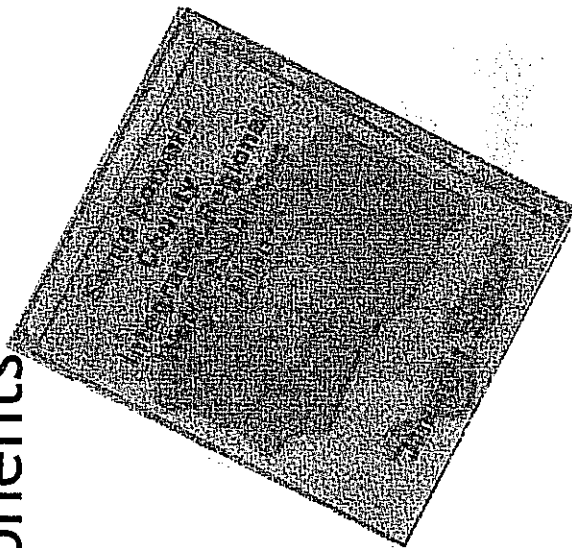
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- General requirements and new Program Preferences
- Scoring criteria and standards
- Schedule and phases
- Keys to success
- Contact information

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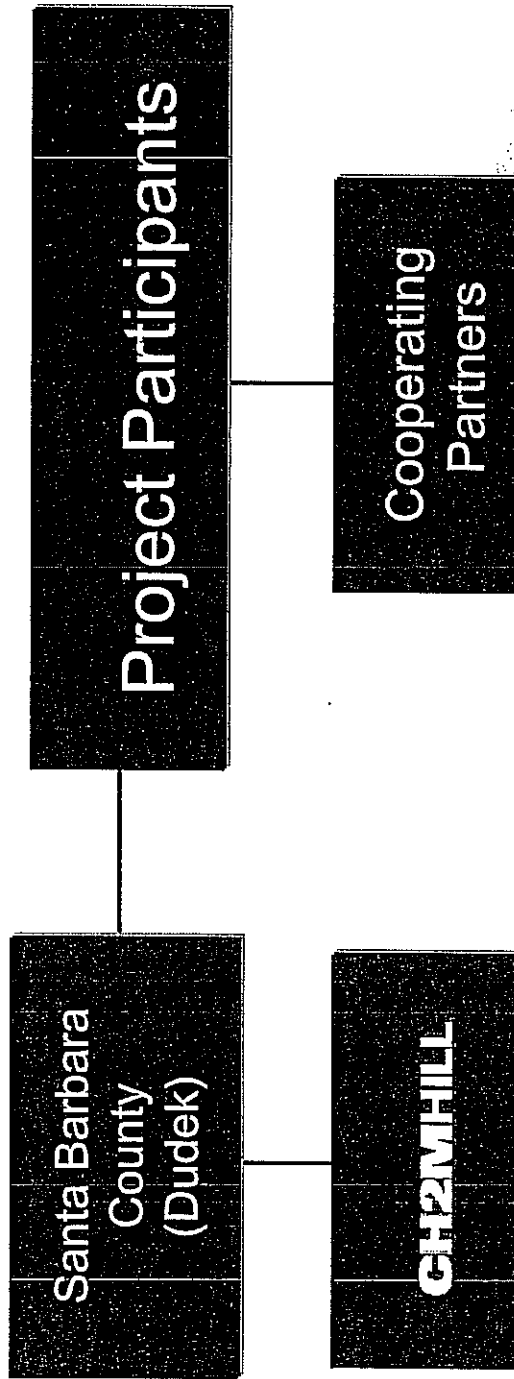
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# How Far We Have Come

- 29 Cooperating Partners represent the Santa Barbara Region
- IRWMP completed May 30, 2007
- IRWMP Step 1 application submitted and deemed technically acceptable by State
- MOU approved by all Project Proponents
- Board of Supervisors approved MOU and CH contract for grant



# Organization



# Proposed Projects

- COMB - South Coast Conduit 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline, Upper Reach
- Goleta WD - ASR (San Ricardo) Well Rehabilitation and Construction
- Goleta SD - Fairview Avenue Sewer Line Installation
- City of Santa Maria - Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion
- Laguna County SD - Phase 2 Recycled Water Distribution
- Carpinteria Valley WD - Transmission Main/ASR Demo Well
- Vandenberg Village CSD - Lompoc Regional Wastewater Reclam. Plant Upgrade
- Carpinteria SD - Bluffs Sewer Relocation Project
- SB Flood Control - Santa Maria Levee Reinforcement
- Casmalia - Water System Improvements
- City of Guadalupe - Wastewater Treatment Plan Improvement
- Cuyama CSD - Water Tower Repair/Wastewater TP Effluent Disposal
- County Ag - Santa Ynez River Arundo Eradication



# State's General Prop 50 Grant Requirements

- Minimum match of 10% (60% gets top score)
- Revised Program Preferences
- Eligibility requirements
  - UWMP - completed and reviewed by time grant awarded
  - Groundwater Management Plans
  - Consistent with adopted IRWMP
- Labor code compliance
- Any projects affecting groundwater require monitoring plus integration of data into State monitoring efforts
- Watershed protection activities must be consistent with local plans and Basin Plans (Regional Board)

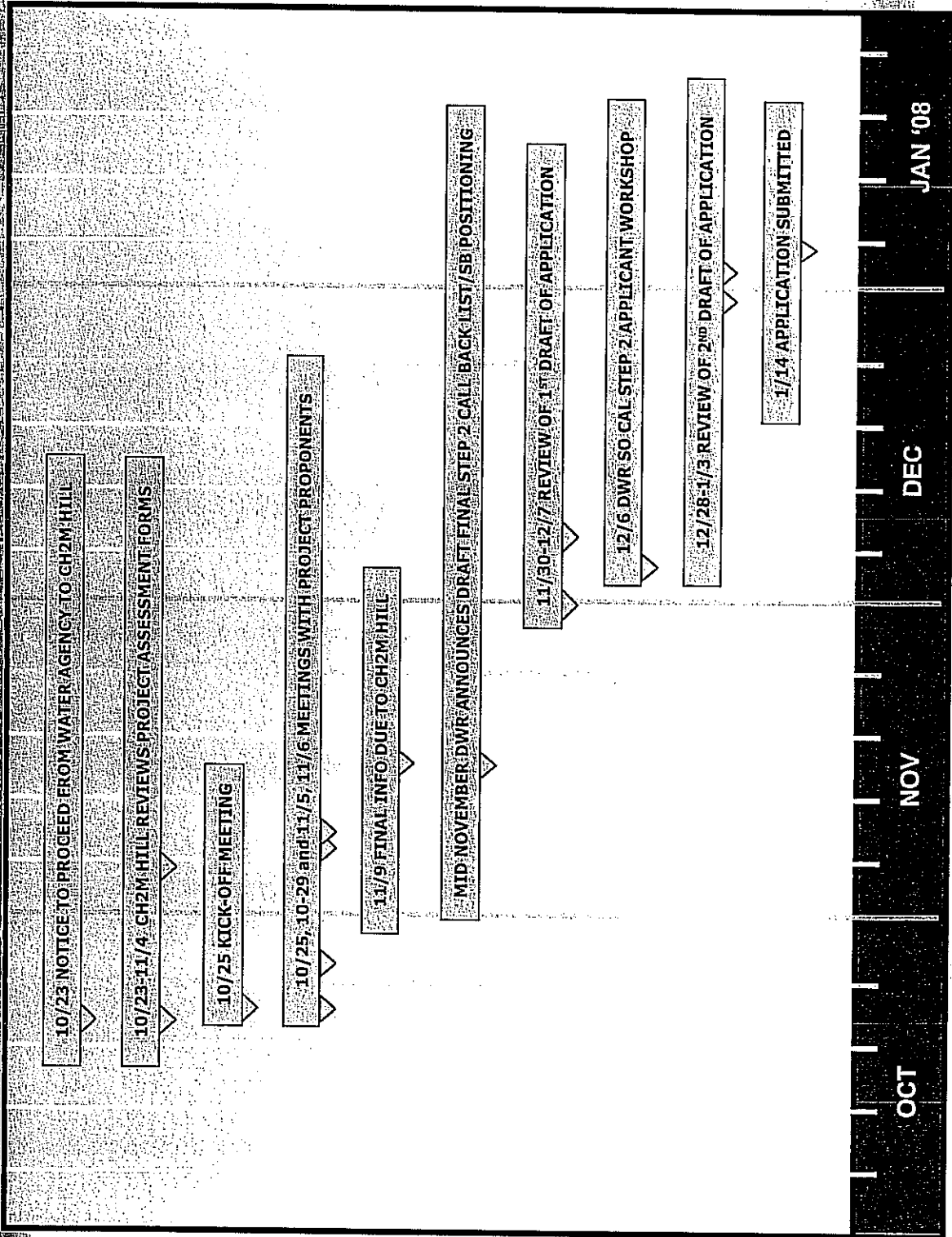
# New Program Preferences

- Include integrated projects with multiple benefits
- Support/improve local and regional water supply reliability
- Contribute expeditiously/measurably to long-term attainment/maintenance of water quality standards
- Eliminate or significantly reduce pollution in impaired or sensitive habitats
- Include Safe Drinking Water projects serving DACs
- Preference given to proposals that addresses EJ

# Scoring Criteria and Standards (p. 38 in PSP)

- Adopted Plan
- Work Plan
- Budget
- Funding Match
- Schedule
- Scientific and Technical Merit
- Monitoring, Assessment, and Performance Measures
- Economic Analysis
- Other Expected Benefits
- Program Preferences

# Schedule



# Phases

## Phase 1:

- Kick-Off Meeting
- Workshops with Project Participants
- Additional Information to CH
- Individual Project Info Finalized
- Updates to FTP site
- Coordination with State agencies

## Phase 2:

- Complete Application Where Info Available
- Continue Communications with Project Participants
- Information to Economists for Attachments 8 and 9
- Initial Work on Prop 50 Attachments

## Phase 3:

- Form Individual Projects into Regional Program
- Continue Communications with Project Participants
- Review of 1st Draft
- Attend DWR Workshop

## Phase 4:

- Continue Communications with Project Participants
- Review of 2nd Draft
- Submit Final Application

## Keys to Success

- Adherence by all to tight and demanding timeline
- Timely delivery of all requested project info to CH
- Commitment to quick consideration, if single project is not “ready”
- Commitment by Proponents to have designated staff available throughout application process
- Quick turn-around on review of drafts

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**Meeting Minutes**  
**Santa Barbara Countywide**  
**Integrated Regional Water Management Plan**  
**Cooperating Partners Meeting**

**September 20, 2007**  
**1:00 -4:00pm**

*Location: Central Coast Water Authority, Industrial Way, Buellton*

**Attendees**

**Cooperating Partners**

Robert Almy, SB County Water Agency; Joe Barget, Vandenberg Village CSD; Chris Dahlstrom, Santa Ynez River WCD-ID#1; Bill Ferguson, City of Santa Barbara, Water Resources Division; Len Fleckenstein, SB County Water Agency; Janet Gringas, COMB and CCRB; Teresa Reyburn, City of Santa Maria; Shannon Sweeney, City of Santa Maria; Matt von den Linden, Goleta Water District; Kathleen Werner, Goleta Sanitary District; Marty Wilder, County Laguna Sanitation District.

**On the Conference Call**

Kathy Caldwell and Holly Meyers, CH2MHill; Charles Hamilton and Bob McDonald, Carpinteria Valley Water District; Reuben Moreno, Guadalupe; Craig Murray, Carpinteria Sanitary District;

**Others Present**

Lorraine Woodman, CH2MHILL; Steve Tanner, Pueblo Water (for Carpinteria Valley Water District);

**Proceedings**

The meeting was called to order at 1:05pm by Rob Almy.

There were no public comments for items not on the agenda.

The minutes from the Cooperating Partners meeting on August 22, 2007 were approved as submitted. The minutes will be posted on the County's IRWMP website.

**State Schedule for Step 2 Process**

Rob reviewed the State's recently announced Step 2 process schedule, as available at the DWR's IRWM website. Len had previously sent an email with the State's schedule which indicates a 10/22 announcement of a draft call back list and a 1/14 deadline for the Step 2 applications. Kathy Caldwell noted there is the possibility of a delay if the SWRCB has to seek public comment on the call back list before officially issuing it.

DWR's website also contains a list of regions which DWR indicates have acceptable Step 1 applications. However, an acceptable Step 1 application doesn't necessarily mean the region will be called back by the State to submit a Step2 application.

Someone asked whether any recipients of Round 1 grants are also applying for Round 2. Rob said he didn't know, but we would pay attention to that possibility.

**Change in Partners' Project List for Step 2**

Len Fleckenstein stated that La Cumbre Water Company has decided to withdraw from the Prop 50 grant application process. La Cumbre's General Manager had informed the Water Agency that the Company's Board determined it would not have sufficient capital funds to match a State grant in the near future. Withdrawal of LaCumbre's project does not affect our grant request because the project is relatively small (at \$250k) and our project list exceeds the State's \$25million grant award ceiling. The Water Agency has revised the list of projects and has changed the draft MOU to re-allocate costs among the remaining project proponents.

Rob Almy asked the Cooperating Partners to let him know if they are likely to want to drop their project from the Step 2 application process.

**Potential Changes to Project Funding and/or to Cost Sharing**

Chris Dahlstrom asked what would happen if the State decides not to fund or not to fully fund our grant request. Considerable discussion followed on options for substituting a project if another project is removed (either because the project proponent removes it or because the State requests it be dropped), as well as on potential reductions in allocation of grant funds if the State awards less than our requested amount. In either case the costs of preparing the grant application would probably not be reduced since many costs would already have been incurred and other costs might arise to deal with the changes in the projects and the overall proposal package.

Meeting attendees agreed to discuss this issue further during the MOU section of today's agenda.

**Consultant Contracts**

The draft CH2MHill contract scope was reviewed and discussed, and then the revised hours and costs were discussed. Bill Ferguson asked about the potential for billing Project Proponents a consistent base amount but then billing each Project Proponent separately based on the actual number of hours for CH2 to compile that project's data for the application. Rob explained that it was proving too difficult to devise a statement of work that allows for separate billing, while still going through the County's contracting system. He said we also said during our last meeting that CH2's work would be "equalized" across the projects if each project proponent hires its own engineering firm, or provides its own internal staffing, to supply the data needed by CH2MHill. Several Partners have hired their own consultants to generate the data or information that will then be submitted to CH2 for inclusion in the grant application. Kathy Caldwell said she would keep the Water Agency and the Project Proponents informed about the status of application preparation and let them know if problems arise in obtaining information.

Rob asked Kathy Caldwell to revise CH2's proposed task schedule in order to incorporate the State's recently announced schedule with a Jan 14 application deadline.

Some discussion ensued regarding whether CH2's proposed costs were reasonable, especially given the limited time for preparation of the application. Craig Murray noted that he had raised this question previously and subsequently looked into costs incurred by other regins, including North Coast and Ventura. He was surprised at the level of detail and apparent high quality products, which presumably cost a considerable amount. Matt noted that Goleta Water had probably spent a considerable amount for a recent grant application. Their grant was for a much lower amount than the \$25M we're seeking, but their costs for grant preparation were proportionately higher than what we'll be paying for the Step 2 application. Reuben Moreno explained his experience with Round 1 applicants in Monterey, and he questions whether we might be over-staffing this effort. Kathy Caldwell noted that Ventura's level of effort and dollars was higher than what Santa Barbara partners would be paying. Ventura, as part of the round 1 applicants, had a somewhat longer period of time (probably 4 months) to prepare their application, but their overall FTE "expenditure" seems to be close to what CH2 is proposing. Kathy noted that she hopes everything goes so smoothly that CH2 staff don't have to use as many hours as are proposed, but that will depend on the Partners' providing data in a timely and appropriate manner.

Reuben asked about the potential for building some incentive into the Ch2 contract, perhaps similar to the way financial bonuses are included in some public works construction contracts. In other words, link contract payments to success of the grant application in obtaining State funding. Although the idea generated some interest and discussion, no one proposed any change to the contract proposal. Rob said he would explore whether the County has tried this kind of approach with a professional services contract.

Rob informed the Partners that Lorraine Woodman would be leaving CH2MHill for another consulting firm, so she would no longer be working on this effort. Rob thanked her for her outstanding support on the IRWMP and on the early stages of the grant application process.

In addition to the CH2 contract, Rob Almy has been speaking with other potential consultants about taking on the "project management" role, allowing Rob and Len to reduce their level of effort devoted to IRWMP & Prop 50. Len had sent the Partners a copy of Dudek's proposal for managing the Prop 50 grant process. Tom Evans would be the Dudek staff person in charge, while Shruti Chandra would provide support, as she did during IRWMP development.

#### Disadvantaged Communities' Projects

Rob explained that the County will help the two small disadvantaged communities of Casmalia and Cuyama to compile the information needed for the Step 2 application. The County might enter into an MOU with each community's CSD and then hire a consultant

to work with the CSD's to conduct "preliminary engineering" to compile the Step 2 application data.

**MOU and Cost Share**

The draft MOU including the cost allocation spreadsheet were reviewed and discussed. Reuben asked whether the payments shown in Appendix B could be made in installments, rather than at once. Rob said he would explore that possibility with County management.

In response to another question, Rob stated that if CH2 and Dudek incur lower costs than contained in their proposals, then those excess funds would either be refunded to the Partners or be held for the next MOU, which might focus on implementation of the grant and/or on the Prop 84 process.

Craig Murray explained his finance committee's interest in seeing the MOU allow for re-allocation of reduced amounts if the State grant award is less than our requested amount (\$25M).. After considerable discussion, the Partners agreed that the final MOU should include language requiring re-allocation of the grant funds to all the project proponents in the same proportion as in the original application, i.e., in the same proportion as each project request is to the total grant application amount. Rob will check with County Counsel and then send proposed language to the Partners.

The Cooperating Partners in attendance voted to approve the MOU with the kind of language change noted above regarding re-allocation of grant funds to each project if the total award amount is less than \$25million. This approval today simply means the attendees agree the MOU (when amended) is ready to be brought to their boards and councils.

Rob encouraged the attendees to ensure the MOU is on their board and council agendas as soon as possible. Rob asked the Partners to send him 2 originals when approved. Then the County will send back to them a "certified copy" with County Supervisor's signature.

**Project Eligibility/Assessment Form**

Lorraine Woodman said she is missing only a couple forms, including the disadvantaged communities and Goleta Sanitary's. However, Kathleen Werner said Goleta Sanitary's form was sent, and Kathy Caldwell then confirmed that she had received it, apparently while she was hospitalized for recent surgery. Reuben said he will ensure that Guadalupe's info is sent to Kathy. The County Water Agency will work with CH2 to get necessary info from the other 2 DACs: Casmalia and Cuyama.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting is not yet scheduled, but will likely be held in mid-to-late October in Santa Barbara or another South Coast area. The meeting date will depend on, and occur after, the County Board approves the MOU. Len will explore meeting date and location options and communicate with the Partners.



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**CACHUMA U&M BOARD**

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

I have reviewed the October 12 letter from you and water agency representatives, requesting amendment of the Zaca Fire Burn Area Emergency Response (BAER) Report. The letter suggests the report include specific actions downstream from the burn area to reduce sediment loads to Gibraltar Reservoir.

I would like to clarify a possible misunderstanding regarding the purpose and scope of the BAER program. Findings described in BAER reports do not trigger a national emergency declaration, nor is this within the purview of the Forest Service. BAER is a nationwide Forest Service program to determine the need for, and prescribe and implement emergency treatments on National Forest System (NFS) lands to minimize threats to life or property or to stabilize and prevent unacceptable degradation to natural and cultural resources resulting from the effects of a fire. BAER teams are staffed by specially trained professionals: hydrologists, soil scientists, engineers, biologists, silviculturists, range conservationists, archeologists, and others who evaluate the burned area and prescribe treatments to protect the land quickly and effectively. If a threat is very likely to occur and predicted effects are unacceptable, the BAER assessment team must consider whether any treatments on NFS lands would be effective to help reduce the emergency. The Zaca Fire occurred in very rugged terrain with very steep channel gradients. Based upon their knowledge and previous experience, the Zaca Fire BAER team did not find any land or channel treatments they believe would be effective or feasible on NFS lands.

BAER assessments include sharing the team's understanding of post-fire watershed response with other local, State, and Federal Agencies. BAER teams usually offer informal suggestions to other responsible agencies for preventive actions the agencies may want to consider. The Zaca BAER team held regular briefings for other agency representatives during the assessment effort, and also shared conclusions in the Burned Area Report -FS 2500-8 and the watershed condition report. Your agencies can use the BAER assessment report and specialist reports to emphasize to the State or other agencies the urgency for developing contingency plans and structures to manage the expected sediment delivery to the affected reservoirs.

The Zaca BAER report indeed estimated extremely high sedimentation rates in the Gibraltar watershed and stated domestic water supplies are at risk, as you noted in your letter. Statements on pages 2, 3, and 6 of the FS 2500-8 (Executive Summary and Burned Area Report), and pages



17 and 20 of the Hydrology and Geology Resource specialist report (Watershed Condition Assessment), address concerns regarding water quality and could be referenced by you to the State.

Since the Zaca Fire was declared a State of California emergency, actions on City property should potentially be eligible for State emergency funds. We believe the downstream users can pursue protective action without amendment of the BAER report. Most of the relevant actions are on City-owned structures and lands. The Forest Service authority is limited to NFS lands. Including actions in the BAER report will not exempt them from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) or other relevant laws. It will not provide funding for planning or implementation as BAER funds can only be spent on Federal lands (except when Federal lands are at risk downslope of private lands and treatments are needed on private lands to protect the Federal lands).

Forest Service employees have reviewed some of the options on the ground with City of Santa Barbara Public Works engineers. The most feasible options seem to focus on Gibraltar Reservoir. Most of the land under the reservoir is owned by the City, except for a small area inundated under permit from the Forest Service. The City could install log booms in Gibraltar Reservoir and debris racks on City land upstream from the reservoir, place a temporary structure across the water to remove ash and fines floating on the reservoir, and/or remove existing sediment deposits from the east end of the reservoir across from Gibraltar Mine. The excavated sediments could either be deposited and contoured along the edges of the reservoir or removed and deposited on an upslope area on NFS land under permit from the Forest Service.

There are other environmental issues that need to be addressed with the Forest Service in a permit for sediment deposition. Mercury contamination in the sediment needs to be tested and monitored before, during and after excavation. The roads in the vicinity of the mine and mill are paved with mine tailings—a factor that needs to be evaluated for risk to equipment operators and workers driving roads frequently. There will also be need to treat the area for tamarisk, a noxious weed, prior to excavation.

To implement the proposal to excavate sediments, the key next step is a detailed proposal from the City of Santa Barbara. This will allow the Forest Service to determine an appropriate site and process a permit for debris disposal and site maintenance, and for NFS road access and maintenance for heavy equipment to be used in these projects.

The City will need to apply to the Army Corps of Engineers for a dredging permit and should initiate emergency consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) as Gibraltar Reservoir is occupied habitat for Federally-listed threatened and endangered species: California red-legged frog and possibly the least Bell's vireo. My staff can tell you what details will be needed in your proposal to the Forest Service and also help you contact the appropriate USFWS personnel, if needed.

The actions proposed for Mono Debris Basin and the debris basin upstream from Agua Caliente are much more problematic and likely could not occur very quickly – with or without BAER report sanction. The City could install debris racks on the Mono basin structure, which it owns,

without a permit from the Forest Service. However, any upstream dredging and debris racks could likely occur in occupied habitat of any or all of the following Federally-listed species: arroyo toad, California red-legged frog, and least Bell's vireo. USFWS consultation would be required. Arroyo toad breeding and dispersal habitat have already been impacted both by the Zaca Fire and suppression efforts (bulldozer lines and safety zones). Actions in Agua Caliente would raise similar concerns. In addition, the short and long term efficacy of the proposed actions would need to be sufficiently high to justify the use of NFS lands.

I understand the concerns of the local agencies and downstream water users. It appears the City of Santa Barbara has some immediate options to pursue in shoring up the Gibraltar water supply system. My Forest staff and Santa Barbara District Ranger Cindy Chojnacky will continue to work closely with you as you pursue some short term options for ensuring water supplies in this critical first year after the fire.

Sincerely,



PEGGY HERNANDEZ  
Forest Supervisor

cc: Lois Capps, 23rd Congressional District Representative, Elton Gallegly, 24th Congressional District Representative, Kevin Walsh, Robert Roebuck, Charles Hamilton, Kate Rees, Rebecca Bjork, Cindy Chojnacky, Bruce Emmens

# CACHUMA OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE BOARD

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 19, 2007  
TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
FROM: Kate Rees, General Manager  
RE: **Proposed 2007- 08 COMB Budget Augmentation**

### RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve budget augmentation in the amount \$225,000 for post Zaca Fire activities and allocate costs among the COMB Member Units by Cachuma entitlement percentages.
2. Approve budget augmentation in the amount \$50,000 for Proposition 50 IRWMP Round 2 Step 2 grant application for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project and allocate costs among the South Coast Member Units only by entitlement percentages
3. Designate a total of \$275,000 in excess funds from FY 2006-07 to be used for post-Zaca Fire protection measures for Lake Cachuma and Proposition 50 IRWMP Round 2 Step 2 grant application for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project.
4. Designate any remaining unexpended funds from FY 2006-07 be constructively returned through offset to 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assessments.

### DISCUSSION:

At the September 24, 2007 Board meeting, the Board of Directors authorized \$200,000 from unexpended FY 2006-07 funds for post-Zaca Fire activities to prevent floating woody debris from entering Lake Cachuma from the watershed as a result of winter storms. These included: \$30,000 to be paid to the Santa Barbara County Flood Control District to assist with the installation of log booms at the mouth of Santa Cruz Creek and at the upper end of the lake (Narrows); and an initial amount of \$120,000 for Cushman Construction to remove floating debris from the lake, particularly near the radial gates, on an as-needed basis.

At the October 22, 2007 Board meeting, the Board of Directors approved a scope of work in the amount of \$25,000 for Balance Hydrologics to prepare a post-fire Watershed Assessment to evaluate the amount of siltation that could be expected to enter Lake Cachuma under various hydrologic conditions, as well as other water quality problems that might occur. As these items



were not budgeted, a budget augmentation of \$225,000 will be necessary to cover the combined post-fire costs.

Also at the September 24, 2007 meeting, the COMB Board approved participation in a second MOU for the continued administration of the Santa Barbara County-wide IRWMP and preparation of the Proposition 50 IRWMP Round 2 Step 2 grant application. I informed the Board at that time that the consultant costs for CH2M Hill to prepare Step 2 grant application were going to be higher than the amount budgeted for this item due to the complexity and amount of work entailed. Because COMB's 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project is one of the projects that will be included in the grant application, COMB is responsible for paying its share of the consultant's costs estimated to be about \$350,000 to prepare the Step 2 grant application. In addition, it is necessary for staff to use the services of Boyle Engineering to provide CH2M Hill with the engineering, environmental and permitting information required for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project. The FY 2007-08 budget included a place holder of \$35,000 for COMB to both participate in the continued IRWMP development and to prepare the Step 2 grant application. Unfortunately, the grant process will be considerably more expensive than anticipated. The MOU specified that COMB's share would be about \$60,000. Staff estimates that Boyle's costs will be about \$25,000. Therefore, a budget augmentation of \$50,000 is needed.

The COMB audit for FY 2006-07 concluded that there was \$388,679 in unexpended funds that could be constructively returned to the Member Units. It is recommended that \$275,000 of those funds be designated to pay for the activities described above, and that the balance of the unexpended funds be retained until the rainy season is over in case additional funds are needed for debris removal or other post-fire protective measures. Any remaining funds would be constructively returned through an offset in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter assessments to the Member Units. If the Board concurs with the staff recommendation, no additional assessments would be needed to fund these activities. All five Member Units are responsible for costs associated with the post-Zaca Fire protection measures. The South Coast Member Units only would pay for the IRWMP – 2<sup>nd</sup> Pipeline Project grant application costs.

Respectfully submitted,



Kate Rees  
Manager

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