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PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT BOARD MEETING ACTIONS MARCH 10, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MARCH 24, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with four Directors present (Director Godin absent), considered the following matters at the **MARCH 10, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:**

- **Consent calendar items** were unanimously approved as follows: February 24, 2010 regular meeting minutes and payment of bills for March 10, 2010.
- **Consideration and possible action on Board attendance at conferences, seminars and training sessions as follows:** Association of California Water Agencies "2010 Spring Conference & Exhibition" to be held May 4 – 7, 2010 in Monterey; Water Education Foundation Central Valley Tour to be held April 14 – 16, 2010 in Bakersfield; Water Education Foundation Flood Management Tour to be held May 12 – 13, 2010 in Stockton; Water Education Foundation Bay-Delta Tour to be held July 14 – 16, 2010 in Sacramento; Water Education Foundation Northern California Tour to be held September 22 – 24, 2010 in Sacramento; and Water Education Foundation San Joaquin River Restoration Tour to be held October 13 – 14, 2010 in Fresno: These conferences were approved and are available for Board attendance.

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with all five Directors present, considered the following matters at the **MARCH 24, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:**

- **Consent calendar items** were unanimously approved as follows: March 10, 2010 regular meeting minutes; payment of bills for March 24, 2010; Tax Sharing Resolution No. 10-9 for annexation of property into County Sanitation District No. 20 (PWD Zone E); and Tax Sharing Resolution No. 10-10 for annexation of property into County Sanitation District No. 20 (PWD Westmont).

- **Hearing and possible action on City of Palmdale's appeal dated February 18, 2010 of disputed bills and related billing issues – follow up items:** No action was taken on this item. All items have been resolved regarding this appeal, and District staff will continue to work with City staff on any billing issues.
- **Presentation on Strategic Water Resources Plan. (Requested by President Dexter-Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula/RMC Water & Environment):** No action was taken on this item. RMC Water & Environment provided an overview of the Strategic Water Resources Plan which outlines the water supply options for the District through year 2035 being recycled water, local run-off, state water project, groundwater, indoor/outdoor conservation, and water banking; the best use of these options for meeting future needs being to create local storage and recovery, acquire additional imported supplies, maximize recycled water, maintain Littlerock Reservoir, and expand conservation efforts; the costs and potential financing options for implementing these options; and the next steps of the Plan being adopting the programmatic EIR, establishing a water supply connection fee, and early implementation actions to expand conservation efforts, the use of the non-potable recycled water system, acquire new imported supplies, and initiate local groundwater recharge.
- **Presentation on Recycled Water Master Plan. (Requested by President Dexter-Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula/RMC Water & Environment):** No action was taken on this item. RMC Water & Environment provided an overview of the Recycled Water Master Plan including the District's previous and current planning for the use of recycled water; the non-potable recycled water system with an overall water delivery of 1,736 acre feet per year, which includes the use of untreated water from Lake Palmdale as a back-up source of water, phase 1 of the system to the west side of the District, and phase 2 of the system to the east side of the District; agricultural in-lieu exchange with the potential of delivering 2,000 to 6,000 acre feet per year by providing recycled water to large agricultural users in exchange for groundwater pumping; the cost and potential financing options for implementing the use of recycled water options; and the next steps for each phase of the Plan, which include CEQA work, user agreements, and retrofitting of facilities.
- **Consideration and possible action on partnership on educational high school program. (Water Conservation Supervisor Roberts/Outreach Committee):** This item was approved and authorizes the District to partner with Quartz Hill Water District and Los Angeles County Waterworks on a high school speech contest that promotes water education and conservation with a theme of "Will AB 2175 be enough to solve our water issues?"
- **Consideration and possible action on amending Courtesy Adjustment Application Form in Appendix C-1 to include consideration of leak repairs. (Water Conservation Supervisor Roberts/Outreach Committee):** This item was tabled and referred to an Ad Hoc Committee for further development.

The Palmdale Water District Board of Director meetings are held twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. The next regular Board meeting will be held April 14, 2010. Board meetings are held at the District's office at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, and the public is invited to attend.