Press Release

Palmdale Water District
Board Meeting Actions
July 9, 2014 Regular Board Meeting
July 23, 2014 Regular Board Meeting

PALMDALE, CA, July 31, 2014 – The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the JULY 9, 2014 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: June 25, 2014 regular meeting minutes; payment of bills for July 9, 2014; and receive and file Semi-Annual Employee Reimbursement Report for the period covering January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014.

- *Consideration and possible action on award of contract to Calgon Carbon for replacement of F300 GAC with F400 GAC and continued reactivation services of F400GAC. ($1,199,588.60 – Budgeted – Operations Manager Thompson II/Facilities Committee):* It was unanimously carried to award a 10-year contract to Calgon Carbon for GAC replacement and reactivation services in the not-to-exceed amount of $1,199,588.60. Granular Activated Carbon is used in the water treatment process to remove or reduce dissolved total organic carbon in the water preventing the formation of trihalomethanes (THMs) in excess of regulatory limits. Upgrading the District's GAC from F300 to F400 and the continued reactivation of the F400 GAC is anticipated to save the District over $400,000 annually on GAC costs once transition to F400 is complete.

- *Consideration and possible action on an Unpaid Internship Program. (Human Resources Director Emery/Personnel Committee):* It was unanimously carried, with one abstention, to approve an Unpaid Internship Program including a Memorandum of Understanding with Antelope Valley Youth Build and the authorization of an unpaid engineering intern. Unpaid interns are anticipated for the District's Facilities and Engineering Departments.

- *Consideration and possible action on the District's retirement procedures. (General Manager LaMoreaux/Director Estes):* It was unanimously carried to add a certificate from the Board of Directors to the District's retirement procedures for long-term employees.

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with four Directors present, considered the following matters at the JULY 23, 2014 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: July 9, 2014 regular meeting minutes; July 16, 2014 workshop meeting minutes; payment of bills for July 23, 2014; approval of job description and salary range for Engineering/Grant Manager; and approval of job description and salary range for Deputy Water & Energy Resources Director.

- *Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 14-11 being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District a) Accepting the Findings of the Bartle & Wells Rate Study, b) Approving the Proposition 218 Notice Regarding Proposed Rate Increases, and c) Setting a Date, Time, and Location for the Public Hearings on Proposed Changes in Rates, Fees, and Charges for Water Service. (Bartle Wells/Finance Manager Williams):* It was carried to approve Resolution No. 14-11, as amended, setting the annual water rate increase at 5.5% for a five year period and the Proposition 218 public hearing for September 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the District's office.

- *Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 14-12 being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Declaring Emergency Water Conservation Restrictions and Adopting State Water Resources Control Board Regulations on the Delivery and Consumption of Water for Public Use.* It was unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 14-12 effective August 1, 2014. Please visit the District's website at http://www.palmdalewater.org/PDF/Board_Meetings/Resolutions/2014/Resolution_No._14_12.pdf to view Resolution No. 14-12. You can also view the press release regarding water restrictions by visiting http://www.palmdalewater.org/PDF/Press_Releases/2014/Press_Release_20140729.pdf.

- *Consideration and possible action on Board and staff attendance at conferences, seminars, and training sessions as follows: Professionals in Human Resources Association (PIHRA) California HR Conference to be held August 25 – 27, 2014 and California Utility Executive Management Association (CUEMA) Leadership Summit 2014 to be held September 3 – 5, 2014:* It was unanimously carried to approve Board and staff attendance at these conferences.

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 August 13, 2014. Board meetings are held at the District's office at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, and the public is invited to attend.

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About Palmdale Water District:

The Palmdale Water District has grown from an agency providing irrigation water for 60 customers to an agency providing domestic water to the thriving community we know today. Founded as an irrigation district supplying water mainly to farms for agricultural use, the District's boundaries expanded with Palmdale's rapid population growth, and the District has shifted to providing predominantly municipal and industrial water. The Palmdale Water District is currently divided into five divisions covering areas in East and central Palmdale. The Palmdale Water District remains dedicated to providing clean, pure water; state of the art facilities to meet current and future needs; attentive staff committed to customer satisfaction; treatment and testing to ensure high quality water; education on water conservation and safety; and reliable supply and resourceful planning insuring customer satisfaction and continued reasonable rates. The Palmdale Water District can be reached by calling (661) 947-4111. The Palmdale Water District is located at 2029 East Avenue Qin Palmdale, California.

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