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May 26, 2016

Agenda for a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District to be held at the District's office at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale

Wednesday, June 1, 2016

7:00 p.m.

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Each item on the agenda shall be deemed to include any appropriate motion, resolution, or ordinance to take action on any item.

1) Roll Call.
2) Adoption of Agenda.
3) Public comments for non-agenda items.

4) Action Items - Action Calendar (The public shall have an opportunity to comment on any action item as each item is considered by the Board of Directors prior to action being taken.)

   4.1) Public Hearing regarding 2015 Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan. (Deputy Water & Energy Resources Director Thompson II/Kennedy/Jenks Consultants)

   4.2) Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 16-7 Adopting, Directing Filing of, and Implementing the Palmdale Water District 2015 Urban Water Management Plan and Incorporated Water Shortage Contingency Plan. (Deputy Water & Energy Resources Director Thompson II/Kennedy/Jenks Consultants)

5) Adjournment.

Dennis D. LaMoreaux

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DENNIS D. LaMOREAUX,
General Manager

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P A L M D A L E W A T E R D I S T R I C T

B O A R D M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: May 25, 2016 **June 1, 2016**

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS **Special Meeting**

FROM: Mr. Peter Thompson II, Deputy Water and Energy Resources Dir.

VIA: Mr. Dennis D. LaMoreaux, General Manager
Mr. Jon M. Pernula, Water and Energy Resources Director

RE: ***AGENDA ITEM NO. 4.2 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 16-7 ADOPTING, DIRECTING FILING OF, AND IMPLEMENTING THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT 2015 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND INCORPORATED WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN***

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 16-7 Adopting, Directing Filing of, and Implementing the Palmdale Water District 2015 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) and Incorporated Water Shortage Contingency Plan.

Background:

The California Water Code (CWC) Section 10620(a) requires an urban water supplier to prepare and adopt a UWMP consistent with CWC Section 10640. All urban water suppliers, either publicly or privately owned, serving municipal water to 3,000 customers or supplying more than 3,000 acre-feet annually are required to prepare an UWMP. The UWMP is required for an urban water supplier to be eligible for Department of Water Resources (DWR) state grants, loans, and drought assistance. The UWMP must be adopted by the District's Board and submitted to DWR by July 1, 2016. The UWMP includes data review and analysis, development of demand projections, analysis of demand management measures, population and demographic analysis, system supplies, water supply reliability, water shortage contingency planning, climate change, and other factors as identified by the Urban Water Management Planning Act.

The purpose of the UWMP is to maintain efficient use of urban water supplies, continue to promote conservation programs and policies, ensure that sufficient water supplies are available for future beneficial use, and provide a mechanism for response during water drought conditions.

This iteration of the UWMP comes in the midst of statewide concerns over the drought and the California Water Fix. Also, the California state legislature passed significant amendments to the UWMP Act in 2014 impacting reporting criteria for the District's Plan update. These issues have played a role in altering the scope and rules for completing the UWMP. On November 9, 2015, the Board of Directors approved entering into a Professional Services Agreement with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants to assist with the development and completion of the District's 2015 UWMP.

Initial amendments to the UWMP required that total projected water use be compared to water supply sources over the next 20 years, in five-year increments. The 2005 update guidelines suggested projecting through a 25-year planning horizon to maintain a 20-year timeframe until the next UWMP update has been completed. Other amendments required that plans include provisions for recycled water use, demand management measures, and a Water Shortage Contingency Plan. Recycled water is included in the reporting requirements for water usage and figures prominently in the requirements for evaluation of alternative water supplies when future projections predict the need for additional water supplies. Each urban water purveyor must coordinate the preparation of the Water Shortage Contingency Plan with other urban water purveyors in the area to the extent practicable. Each water supplier must also describe their water demand management measures that are being implemented or are scheduled for implementation. Provisions for the UWMP Act of 2009 and SB7, which requires a 20% reduction of water demand per capita per day by the year 2020, were included in this 2015 update.

Strategic Plan Initiative:

This work is part of Strategic Initiative No. 1 – Strategic Water Management.

Budget:

$99,380.00 was budgeted for completion of the 2015 UWMP under Project No. 15-408.

Supporting Documents:

- Resolution No. 16-7 Adopting, Directing Filing of, and Implementing the Palmdale Water District 2015 Urban Water Management Plan and Incorporated Water Shortage Contingency Plan

PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 16-7

RESOLUTION ADOPTING, DIRECTING FILING OF, AND IMPLEMENTING THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT 2015 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND INCORPORATED WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN

WHEREAS, the California Legislature enacted Assembly Bill 797 during the 1983-1984 Regular Session of the California Legislature (Water Code Section 10610 et.seq.) known as the Urban Water Management Plan Act (the Act).

WHEREAS, California Water Code section 10632 requires water agencies to plan for water shortages of up to 50 percent as part of their Urban Water Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, PWD has prepared an update to its Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP); and

WHEREAS, the WSCP is consistent with the California Water Code sections 350 through 359 and section 10632, and guidance provided by the California Department of Water Resources Urban Drought Guidebook 2008 Updated Edition; and

WHEREAS, the Act mandates that every urban water supplier of water providing water for municipal purposes to more than 3,000 customers or supplying more than 3,000 acre-feet of water annually, prepare, and every five (5) years thereafter update, its Urban Water Management Plan, (UWMP), the primary objective of which is to plan for the conservation and efficient use of water.

WHEREAS, the latest update of the Plan was due at the end of 2015, but a six-month extension was granted by the Legislature for submittals of the 2015 Urban Water Management plan to provide time for urban water suppliers to address Senate Bill X7-7 (SB X7-7), which requires water retailers like the Palmdale Water District to develop plans to reduce per capita water use by 20 percent by the year 2020, with an interim target of a 10 percent reduction by 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Palmdale Water District prepared and filed a UWMP with the California Department of Water Resources in December 1985, December 1990, December 1995, December 2000, December 2005, and December 2010; and

WHEREAS, considering the six (6) month extension granted by the Legislature, the 2015 Plan should be adopted by June 30, 2016 and filed with the California Department of Water Resources, the California State Library and the City of Palmdale within thirty days of adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Act further requires that the adopted UWMP and WSCP be available for public review during normal business hours for thirty (30) days following its submission to the Department of Water Resources; and

WHEREAS, as an urban water supplier providing water service to over 109,000 customers, Palmdale Water District is subject to the Act and has, therefore, prepared and circulated for public view a Draft 2015 Urban Water Management Plan in compliance with the requirements of the Act, and a properly noticed public hearing regarding the proposed UWMP and WSCP was duly held by the Palmdale Water District on June 1, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of the Directors of the Palmdale Water District as follows:

1. The 2015 Urban Water Management Plan and incorporated Water Shortage Contingency Plan are hereby approved and adopted.

2. The General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to file the UWMP and WSCP with the California Department of Water Resources, the California State Library and the City of Palmdale within thirty days of adoption in accordance with the Act.

3. When required by conditions contained in the Plan, the General Manager is authorized to declare a Water Shortage Emergency and to implement water conservation programs as detailed in the WSCP, including recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding necessary procedures, rules and regulations to carry out effective and equitable water conservation programs.

4. The General Manager and staff are hereby further authorized and directed to take such other and further actions as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of the Plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on June 1, 2016.

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ROBERT ALVARADO, President,
Palmdale Water District Board of Directors

ATTEST:

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JOE ESTES, Secretary,
Palmdale Water District Board of Directors