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AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 11:30 a.m.
Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Determination of a Quorum
- 3. Additions to Agenda (Govt. Code Sec. 54954.2(b))
- 4. Oral Communications to the Board

This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on any item under the jurisdiction of the agency. Depending upon the subject matter, the Board may be unable to respond until the item can be posted on the agenda at a future meeting in accordance with provisions of the Brown Act.

- 5. PRESENTATION: CENTRAL BASIN'S DROUGHT OUTREACH PROGRAMS
- 6. Consent Calendar: (Acted as one item unless withdrawn by request)
 - a. Minutes of the Board Meeting of May 14, 2015 (Enclosure)
 - b. Warrant Register Report and List of Warrants for June 2015 (Enclosure)
 - c. Approval of JPA Member Reduced Dues Applications for FY2015/16 (Enclosure)
 - 1. City of Artesia
 - 2. City of Bell
 - City of Cudahy
 - 4. City of Maywood
 - d. Authorize Expenditure in Excess of Chair's Authority in the Amount of \$1,938.75 to Complete Forensic Fund Balance Audit Services (Enclosure)
- 7. Approve Resolution No. 15-3, A Resolution of the Gateway Water Management Authority "GWMA" Recognizing and Commending Kenneth "Ken" C. Farfsing (Enclosure)
- 8. Approve 2nd Amendment to Agreement with Toni Penn as GWMA's Part-Time Administrative and Accounting Assistant Agreement (Enclosure)
- 9. Approve New JPA Membership (Enclosure)
 - a. City of Avalon

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10. FY 2015/16 Budget (Enclosure)

- a. Adopt the 2015/16 Budget as Presented (Enclosure)
- b. Approve the Annual Membership Appropriation of \$15,000 (Except for Board Approved Reduced Dues)
- c. Adopt Member and Non-Member Administrative Fees for MOUs at 3% and 5% Respectively

11. Gateway Region Watershed Management Plan (WMPs) and MOU and/or Amendment Activities

- a. Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group
- b. Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group
- c. Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group
 - 1. Approve the First Amendment to the MOU and Authorize the Chair to Execute the MOU Amendment (Enclosure)
- d. Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group
- 12. Executive Officer's Report
- 13. Directors' Comments/Reports
- 14. Adjournment

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MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, May 14, 2015 11:30 a.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723.

Chair Chris Cash called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. Roll was called by Ms. Penn and a quorum of the Board was declared.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Al Cablay (alternate) Bell

Chau Vu (alternate) Bell Gardens

Tammy Hierlihy Central Basin MWD

Mike O'Grady (alternate)

Gina Nila

Commerce

Aaron Hernandez-Torres

Mohammad Mostahkami

Cerritos

Cudahy

Downey

Michael Ackerman Huntington Park

Mark Stowell
Lisa Rapp
Lakewood
Anthony Arevelo
Adriana Figueroa
Chris Cash
Sarina Morales-Choate (proxy)
La Mirada
Lakewood
Long Beach
Norwalk
Paramount
Sarina Fe Springs

Charlie Honeycutt

Art Cervantes (alternate)

Salita Fe Spring

Signal Hill

South Gate

David Pelser Whittier

STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast Executive Officer

Toni Penn Administrative/Accounting Assistant

Candice Lee

Steve Dorsey

Legal Counsel

Legal Counsel

LacfCD

Ester Rojas

WRD

Ken Farfsing

Signal Hill

Vince Brar Cerritos

ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Ms. Kast reported that at the time the board agenda was posted, staff had not received the final version of the Agreement between the State of California (Department of Water Resources) and GWMA for Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) 2014 Drought Grant. She stated that she was informed just prior to the board meeting that no further changes were made to the draft Agreement that was included in the agenda packet and DWR had asked that GWMA approve the Agreement as soon as possible.

Director Mostahkami moved to add the approval of the Agreement between the State of California (Department of Water Resources) and GWMA for Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) 2014 Drought Grant as presented as an urgency item on the agenda as Item No. 10d. The motion was seconded by Director Figueroa and was approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, AREVALO, FIGUEROA, CASH, MORALES-CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES, PELSER, STOWELL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ITEM 4 – ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

<u>ITEM 5 – CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION</u>

No reportable action. Direction was given.

ITEM 6 – CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Nila moved to approve the consent calendar. The motion was seconded by Director Cablay and was approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, AREVALO, FIGUEROA, CASH,

MORALES-CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: PELSER, STOWELL

ITEM 7 – DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING IRWM

Ms. Kast reported that of the 20 projects submitted by GWMA, 7 were chosen to move to the next step where more detailed information would need to be entered into the OPTI database system by May 14, 2015 followed by a five minute presentation at the LSG & LLA Steering Committee meeting on May 19, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at WRD. She stated that two projects from LACFCD were also selected as part of the process. She stated that the step following the LSG & LLA meeting would be to present the projects at the Greater LA IRWM Leadership Committee on May 27, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. In closing, Ms. Kast indicated that only 3 projects from each sub-region would be given the opportunity to present at that meeting.

ITEM 8 – APPROVAL TO SUPPORT SB 208 (LARA) IMPROVING IRWM PROGRAM REIMBURSMENT FOR DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Ms. Kast reported that the administration of the IRWM Program had created challenges for implementation of IRWMPs at the regional level that threaten the success of regional programs. She indicated that, while DWR had improved its response time for the administration of the grants over the past year, the timing for payment of invoices remained a barrier for non-profit organizations and disadvantaged community participation in the grant program. She indicated that SB 208 would create an IRWM payment structure that required the DWR to provide 50% advance payment of a project award for an IRWM project that satisfied two criteria:

- The project proponent was a non-profit organization or a disadvantaged community; or the project benefited a disadvantaged community
- The grant award for the project was less than \$1 million.

Ms. Kast recommended that the Board adopt a position of support for SB 208 improving IRWM Program Reimbursement for Disadvantaged Communities and Non-Profit Organizations and submit a letter of support as presented.

Director Mostahkami referred to a section in SB 208 that indicated "The funds shall be spent within six months of the date of receipt, unless the state entity administering the grant waived this requirement." He indicated that he did not feel six months was adequate time to expend funds and recommended that the letter of support be amended to request that this section be extended to twelve months.

Director Mostahkami moved to adopt the position of support for SB 208 and submit a letter of support as amended. The motion was seconded by Director Nila and was approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, AREVALO, FIGUEROA, CASH,

MORALES-CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES, STOWELL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: PELSER

<u>ITEM 9 – DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED JOINT AD HOC COG/GWMA COORDINATING COMMITTEE</u>

Ms. Kast reported in recognition that water issues were becoming increasingly relevant to the work of the Gateway Cities COG, the COG and GWMA staff had met to discuss the formation of an Ad Hoc Coordinating Committee between the two agencies. She stated that this Committee would meet as needed to give direction to the staff of both agencies to ensure effective coordination and engagement on behalf of the Gateway Cities and other agencies and planning processes. Ms. Kast recommended that the Board appoint two GWMA Board Members as its designated representatives to serve with staff on the Joint Ad Hoc COG/GWMA Coordinating Committee.

Director Vu moved to nominate Director Figueroa to this Ad Hoc Committee. The motion was seconded by Director Rapp and approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, AREVALO, FIGUEROA, CASH, MORALES-CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES, STOWELL, PELSER

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Director Mostahkami moved to nominate Director Raff to this Ad Hoc Committee. The motion was seconded by Director Figueroa and was approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, AREVALO, FIGUEROA, CASH, MORALES-CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES, STOWELL, PELSER

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ITEM 10 – DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA (DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES) AND GWMA FOR PROPOSITION 84 INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT (IRWM) 2014 DROUGHT GRANT

Ms. Kast reported that GWMA had been awarded a grant in the amount of \$3,941,966 to assist the cities of Cerritos, Huntington Park and Signal Hill with drought projects. She stated the funding match was estimated to be \$2,847,394 and may include in-kind services that were part of Exhibit A of the Work Plan and performed after January 1, 2010. She indicated that GWMA would be administering the Grant Agreement and the Grant Funds. She stated that, as part of the process, GWMA was requiring the cities of Cerritos, Huntington Park and Signal Hill to execute a Subrecipient Agreement with GWMA, which would require each subrecipient to comply with all the requirements of the Grant Agreement. Ms. Kast also reported that each subrecipient would submit invoices relating to their project to GWMA on a quarterly basis, and then GWMA would process the reimbursement requests with DWR.

Director Mostahkami moved to; 1) approve individual Subrecipient Agreements with the cities of Cerritos, Huntington Park and Signal Hill, 2) Authorized the Executive Officer to sign and execute individual Subrecipient Agreements with the cities of Cerritos, Huntington Park and Signal Hill, 3) Authorized Executive Officer to make non-material changes to the Subrecipient Agreement in consultation with GWMA's Legal Counsel, and 4) Authorized the Executive Officer to sign and execute the Grant Agreement between DWR and GWMA. The motion was seconded by Director Figueroa and was approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, AREVALO, FIGUEROA, CASH,

MORALES-CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES, STOWELL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: PELSER

<u>ITEM 11 – DISCUSSION/ACTION TO APPOINT AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW AND RECOMMEND THE SELECTION OF AN ACCOUNTING TRANSITION FIRM</u>

Ms. Kast reported that GWMA had released a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to establish a contract with a qualified individual or firm to provide assistance with accounting transition services. She stated that a total of 5 SOQs have been received. She indicated that the Chair recommended that an Ad Hoc Committee be established to review the SOQs received and recommend the selection of an Accounting Transition Firm from those received.

Director O'Grady moved to appoint the same representatives that currently sit on the Accounting/Personnel Ad Hoc Committee to review and recommend the selection of an accounting transition firm. The motion was seconded by Director Nila and approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, AREVALO, FIGUEROA, CASH,

MORALES-CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES, STOWELL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: PELSER

<u>ITEM 12 – GATEWAY REGIONAL WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLANS (WMPS) AND MOU AND/OR AMENDMENTS</u>

Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group

Director Nila provided an update on the Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group and reported that the conditional WMP was approved and that the Watershed Group had until June 12, 1015 to address revisions.

Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group

Ms. Kast reported that over the course of the past two months, GWMA had been facilitating and assisting the LLAR Watershed Group to develop a First Amendment to their existing MOU. She stated that this Amendment would add implementation of the Plans to the scope and purpose of the MOU and to provide a separate cost-share formula for the implementation of the Plans, subject to annual budget approval.

Ms. Kast also reported that in October 2013, GWMA entered into a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with John L. Hunter & Associates as recommended by the LLAR Watershed Group. She stated that this PSA expired on January 31, 2015 and indicated that the Watershed Group had requested that GWMA amend the PSA to extend the term of the Agreement to December 31, 2017 and also add additional duties to the task to be performed under the Scope of Work increasing the PSA amount by \$1,089,549 for a total agreement amount of \$1,746,949.

After general discussions, Director Cablay moved to: 1) Approve the First Amendment to the MOU for the LLAR Watershed Group, 2) Approve the First Amendment to the PSA between GWMA and John L. Hunter & Associates in the amount not to exceed \$1,746,949 for the tasks to be performed under the Scope of Work set forth in Exhibit A to the Agreement for the LLAR Watershed Group, and 3) Authorized Executive Officer to make non-material changes to these First Amendments in consultation with GWMA's Legal Counsel. The motion was seconded by Director Figueroa and was approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, FIGUEROA, CASH, MORALES-

CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES, STOWELL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: PELSER, AREVELO

Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group

Director Arevelo provided an update on the Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group and indicated that the group was currently working on finalizing the First Amendment to the MOU which would be brought before the Board at its meeting in June.

Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group

Ms. Kast reported that over the course of the past two months, GWMA had also been facilitating and assisting the LSGR Watershed Group to develop a First Amendment to their existing MOU. She stated that this Amendment would add implementation of the Plans to the scope and purpose of the MOU and to provide a separate cost-share formula for the implementation of the Plans, subject to annual budget approval.

Ms. Kast also reported that in October 2013, GWMA entered into a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with John L. Hunter & Associates as recommended by the LSGR Watershed Group. She stated that this PSA expired on January 31, 2015 and indicated that the Watershed Group had requested that GWMA amend the PSA to extend the term of the Agreement to December 31, 2017 and also add additional duties to the task to be performed under the Scope of Work increasing the PSA amount by \$980,324 for a total agreement amount of \$1,665,324.

After general discussions, Director Mostahkami moved to: 1) Approve the First Amendment to the MOU for the LSGR Watershed Group, 2) Approve the First Amendment to the PSA between GWMA and John L. Hunter & Associates in the amount not to exceed \$1,665,324 for the tasks to be performed under the Scope of Work set forth in Exhibit A to the Agreement for the LSGR Watershed Group, and 3) Authorized Executive Officer to make non-material changes to these First Amendments in consultation with GWMA's Legal Counsel. The motion was seconded by Director Nila and was approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: CABLAY, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, HERNANDEZ-TORRES,

MOSTAHKAMI, ACKERMAN, RAPP, FIGUEROA, CASH, MORALES-

CHOATE, HONEYCUTT, CERVANTES, STOWELL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: PELSER, AREVELO

ITEM 13 – CITY MANAGERS' STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Ken Farfsing provided an update on contract cities and indicated that the city election has been completed. He also provided an update on SB 485.

<u>ITEM 14 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT</u>

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Ms. Kast reported that the City of Avalon was considering becoming a member of the GWMA.

ITEM 15 – DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/REPORT

Director Mostahkami thanked Mr. Farfsing for his service and stated that he brought great value to GWMA.

Director Hierlihy indicated that she would like to make a presentation at a future meeting of the GWMA on the different programs available from Central Basin MWD.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.	
Charlie Honeycutt, Secretary/Treasurer	Date

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SECTION NO. 6(b) Warrant Register Dated June 11, 2015

SUMMARY:

The Warrant Register is a listing of general checks issued since the prior warrant register and warrants to be released by the City of Signal Hill, serving as Treasurer of the Gateway Water Management Authority, upon Board approval.

DISCUSSION:

The Warrant Register for expenditures dated June 11, 2015 in the amount of \$404,668.23 is submitted for approval. Invoices and supporting documentation are available for review at the City of Signal Hill Department of Finance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Warrant Register totals \$404,668.23. Funds to cover payment are available in the Gateway Authority budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Warrant Register as presented.

WARRANT REGISTER Disbursement Journal June 11, 2013

Invoice		Invoice		
Date	Vendor	Number	Description	Amount
05/26/2015	Grace J. Kast	15-GJK-GA-5	Executive Director	\$ 13,333.33
05/26/2015	Toni Penn	15-5-25	Admin/Acct. Services	\$ 7,658.38
04/30/2015	Richards Watson & Gershon	201411	Legal Services - General	\$ 6,491.19
04/30/2015	Richards Watson & Gershon	201412	Legal Services - MS4 Permit MOU	\$ 225.00
05/20/2015	Joe. A Gonsalves & Son	25311	Legislative Advocacy Services	\$ 4,000.00
12/15/2014	John L. Hunter & Assoc.	GANPLA1114	LLAR WMP Development	\$ 7,702.50
01/12/2015	John L. Hunter & Assoc.	GANPLA1214	LLAR WMP Development	\$ 10,465.00
02/12/2015	John L. Hunter & Assoc.	GANPLA0115	LLAR WMP Development	\$ 28,207.50
12/15/2014	John L. Hunter & Assoc.	GANPSG1114	LSGR WMP Development	\$ 22,821.20
01/12/2015	John L. Hunter & Assoc.	GANPSG1214	LSGR WMP Development	\$ 10,874.75
02/12/2015	John L. Hunter & Assoc.	GANPSG0115	LSGR WMP Development	\$ 17,553.75
04/07/2015	John L. Hunter & Assoc.	GANPSG0215	LSGR WMP Development	\$ 30,547.70
04/16/2015	John L. Hunter & Assoc.	GANPSG0315	LSGR WMP Development	\$ 5,220.00
04/30/2015	Anchor QEA	41929	TMDL Compliance Monitoring	\$ 15,020.16
05/14/2015	Richard Watson & Assoc.	15-192-002-002	State Water Board Grant Agmt. 12-423-550	\$ 11,168.74
04/21/2015	Richard Watson & Assoc.	15-192-003-006	LCC Watershed Management Program	\$ 17,241.46
04/20/2015	Richard Watson & Assoc.	15-192-003-005	LCC Watershed Management Program	\$ 36,575.94
10/31/2014	Kinnetic Laboratories	11338	LCC Watershed Segmentation &LID	\$ 107,155.54
05/11/2015	Kinnetic Laboratories	11434	LCC Watershed Segmentation &LID	\$ 24,553.86
05/01/2015	GEI Consultants	715291	Watersmart Grant Admin.	\$ 4,185.00
05/01/2015	GEI Consultants	715283	2015 IMPLE Grant Solicitation	\$ 22,365.00
05/01/2015	City of Paramount	3187	Meeting Supplies	\$ 979.73
05/01/2015	City of Paramount	3191	Rent	\$ 322.50
			Total Disbursements	\$ 404,668.23

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SECTION 6c: Approval of JPA Member Reduced Dues for FY2015/16 (Artesia, Bell, **Cudahy and Maywood)**

BACKGROUND: In May 2012, the GWMA Board directed the Executive Officer to offer applications for full memberships with reduced dues. Further, they directed staff to utilize the same criteria and application format adopted by the Board for Ex-Officio Participants. As part of the application and approval process, the Board authorized the Executive Officer to contact the requesting city or agency to discuss and then recommend an annual membership due level for that particular entity.

DISCUSSION: Currently, GWMA has 5 memberships with reduced dues. They are as follows: Artesia (\$5,000); Bell (\$7,500); Cudahy (\$5,000); Hawaiian Gardens (\$5,000); and Maywood (\$2,000). To date, only 4 (Artesia, Bell, Cudahy and Maywood) have submitted their annual reduced dues application. We are still actively soliciting Hawaiian Garden's and hope to have theirs by the July board meeting.

Current Members with Reduced Dues

Artesia – submitted request for reduced dues for FY 2015/16; same criteria apply from FY 2012/13, FY 2013/14 and FY 2014/15 (see application attached) Recommended Dues: \$5,000

Bell – submitted request for reduced dues for FY 2015/16; same criteria apply from FY 2012/13, FY 2013/14 and FY 2014/15 (see application attached); Recommended Dues: \$7,500

Cudahy – submitted application for reduced dues for FY 2015/16; same criteria apply from FY 2013/14 and FY 2014/15 (see application attached).

Recommended Dues: \$5,000

Maywood - submitted request for reduced dues for FY 2015/16; same criteria apply from FY 2013/14 and FY 2014/15 (see application attached);

Recommended Dues: \$2,000

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Members: Artesia · Bell · Bell Gardens · Bellflower · Central Basin Municipal Water District · Cerritos · Commerce · Cudahy · Downey · Hawaiian Gardens · Huntington Park · La Mirada · Maywood · Lakewood · Long Beach · Long Beach Water Department · Lynwood · Montebello · Norwalk · Paramount · Pico Rivera · Santa Fe Springs · Signal Hill · South Gate · Vernon

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FISCAL IMPACT: GWMA has sufficient funds to carry reduced dues memberships funds.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve reduced dues for FY 2015/16 for Artesia, Bell, Cudahy and Maywood as presented. These amounts would be granted for one year to each city and would be re-considered for the next fiscal year.

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APPLICATION FOR CITY/WATER AGENCY TO PAY REDUCED DUES FOR GWMA JPA **MEMBERSHIP**

To:	GWMA Board of Directors
From:	William Rawlings
	City Manager
Date:	April 21, 2015
for conside	water agency <u>City of Artesia</u> (print organization name) is submitting this application ration of reduced dues. Our city/water agency meets one or more of the following ase check all that apply):
49	Has less than 10 full time employees
	Has a 2010 population of less than 10,000
	Has eliminated 10% of the city/water agency workforce in the last two years
	X Has General Fund revenues that have not returned to FY2009-2010
	X Is less than 2 square miles in area
Other: Th	ere have been no wage adjustments for COLA for over 7 ½ years or hiring of full-time, permanent
Staff at least	since 2010, when the City laid off almost 30% of staff resources.
Annual Mer	mbership Dues Amount Requested for FY 201 <u>5</u> /201 <u>6</u> : \$ <u>5,000.00</u>
	the information used to determine the criteria indicated above is true and accurate. (If lease provide evidence).
Signature	Date S-1/-18

Please submit your application to Grace Kast at the above address or via e-mail to: tonipenn.gateway@gmail.com. For questions, please call Toni at 626-484-6876 (cell)

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APPLICATION FOR CITY/WATER AGENCY TO PAY REDUCED DUES FOR GWMA JPA **MEMBERSHIP**

GVVMA Board of Directors	
TERRY RODRIGUE	(individual's name)
CITY ENGINEER	
APRIL 23, 2015	
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nbership Dues Amount Requested for FY 20	15/2016: \$ 7,500
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APPLICATION FOR CITY/WATER AGENCY TO PAY REDUCED DUES FOR GWMA JPA MEMBERSHIP

То:	GWMA Board of Directors
From:	(individual's name)
Date:	CITY MANAGER (individual's title) MAY 8, 2015
submitting	of/water agency (print organization name) is g this application for consideration of reduced dues. Our city/water agency meets one of the following criteria (please check all that apply):
	Has less than 10 full time employees
	Has a 2010 population of less than 10,000
	Has eliminated 10% of the city/water agency workforce in the last two years
	Has General Fund revenues that have not returned to FY2009-2010
	Is less than 2 square miles in area
Other:	
Annual M	embership Dues Amount Requested for FY 201 <u>5</u> /201 <u>6</u> : \$5/000
	at the information used to determine the criteria indicated above is true and accurate. (If please provide evidence).
Signature	Thay 8, 2015 Date
	ase submit your application to Grace Kast at the above address or via e-mail to: toninenn gateway@gmail.com

For questions, please call Toni at 626-484-6876 (cell)

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To [.]	GWM	A Board of Directors	:
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	A	CTING MANAGER	(individual's title)
Date:	6	/1/2015	_
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I certify that available, pl	the infe	ovide evidence). our application to Grace Kast at the above	criteria indicated above is true and accurate. (If 6/1/2015 Date address or via e-mail to: tonipenn.gateway@gmail.com.
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Section 6d – Authorize Expenditure to Complete Forensic Fund Balance Audit Services

Background

From 2007 through June 30, 2011, the City of Downey provided accounting services for GWMA. In July of 2011, the City of Signal Hill assumed that role and is still doing so. Due to the numerous MOUs and grant activities, the Treasurer and the Executive Officer felt that an independent and indepth audit be conducted to cross-check the fund balances under GWMA's responsibilities.

The Chair authorized this work under his authority of up to \$10,000 and Platinum Client Services was retained to do the work. Platinum Client Services was chosen to conduct this specific work because of their in-house knowledge of Signal Hill's accounting. The research went back to 2010/11 through 2013/14 which took a bit more document search work and coordination with the auditors than first anticipated. In the end, an additional \$1,938.75 was needed to complete the work. In order to not stop the progress, Signal Hill agreed to support the additional work until the GWMA Board could consider approving it.

Discussion

This work will significantly help GWMA moving forward. Having complete confidence in the fund balances for each of GWMA's projects, MOUs, grants, etc., will provide a smooth process for the final transition from Signal Hill to GWMA of its financials and fund balances.

The end product was a detailed accounting of GWMA's financials through 2013/14. Those fund balances have been downloaded into GWMA's accounting system which is maintained internally.

Fiscal Impact

The amount of \$1,938.75 in addition to the \$10,000 authorized by the Chair would be coming from reserves to complete this necessary work.

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Recommendation

1. Authorize Expenditure in Excess of Chair's Authority in the Amount of \$1,938.75 to Complete Forensic Fund Balance Audit Services



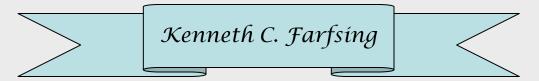
Platinum Consulting Group

Cindy Byerrum, CPA Platinum Consulting Group P.O. Box 10246 Fullerton, CA 92835 www.pcgclient.com 909-204-8858

Bill To			Date	Inv	voice #
Gateway Water Managment Authority c/o Grace Kast 16401 Parmount		5/3	1/2015	3449	
Paramount, CA 90723		Due Date		Terms	
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Item	Description	Qty	Rate	Date	Amount
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Byerrum, GWMA	Call with Toni to explain changes in fund balance; additional adjustments	1.5	165.00	5/21/2015	247.50
Byerrum, GWMA	QB pro advisor email; meeting with auditors to review my work on fy 12/13 and 13/14	1.75	165.00	5/22/2015	288.75
Byerrum, GWMA	Follow up emails with auditors; call with Grace to update	1.5	165.00	5/26/2015	247.50
Byerrum, GWMA	Calls and emails with auditors; set up AP for auditors	1.25	165.00	5/27/2015	206.25
Byerrum, GWMA	Calls with auditors; completion of fy 13/14 review and adjustments; emails to auditors with trial balances and relating adjustments for FY 12/13 and 13/14.	2.75	165.00	5/29/2015	453.75
			Paymei	nts/Credi	ts \$0.00
Thank you for your continued confidence in			Total		\$1,938.75
Platinum Consulting Group!			Baland	ce Due	\$1,938.75

Resolution 15-3

A Resolution of the Gateway Water Management Authority "GWMA" recognizing and commending Kenneth "Ken" C. Farfsing



Whereas, Ken Farfsing has served the public with over 37 years experience in economic development, city management, and regional issues such as stormwater and urban runoff:

Whereas, Ken Farfsing provided significant leadership as the City Manager representative to the GWMA;

Whereas, Ken Farfsing led a successful effort to maximize membership of the GWMA;

Whereas, Ken Farfsing spent countless hours supporting GWMA and offered guidance on regional programs provided by GWMA;

Whereas, Ken Farfsing advocated for GWMA and its members on regional issues resulting in many "first of its kind" successes including regional watershed and stormwater partnerships;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, Ken Farfsing, on this 11th day of June, 2015, is hereby highly commended and given gratitude for his outstanding leadership and service to the GWMA on behalf of the 2 million residents in the Gateway Region of Southeaster Los Angeles County.

Christopher S. Cash, Chair	Adriana Figueroa, Vice-Chair
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SECTION 8: APPROVE 2ND AMENDMENT TO PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE AND ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT AGREEMENT

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY:

In June 2013, the GWMA Board of Directors approved retaining the contract services of a part-time Administrative and Accounting Assistant. In June 2014, the GWMA Board of Directors approved a 1st Amendment to the Agreement between GWMA and Toni Penn that extended her contract to June 20, 2015, increased her hourly rate and total hours of service.

The attached 2nd Amendment would extent her agreement on a month-to-month basis with the same terms as in the 1st Amendment including the ability for either party to terminate with a 30-day notice.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 2015/16 budget includes the same amount of \$85,000 as last year to support the same level of service for this position.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve 2nd Amendment to Agreement with Toni Penn as GWMA's Part-Time Administrative and Accounting Assistant.

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AMENDMENT TO PART-TIME ADMINISTRATIVE AND ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT AGREEMENT

This Amendment ("Amendment") to the July 1, 2013, Part-time Administrative and Accounting Assistant Agreement ("Agreement") is between the Los Angeles Gateway Region IRWMP Joint Powers Authority ("Gateway Authority") and Toni Penn, an individual, ("Contractor"), and is dated July 1, 2015 ("Effective Date").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Contractor has served as Gateway Authority's Part-Time Administrative and Accounting Assistant providing administrative, clerical and accounting duties; and

WHEREAS, Gateway Authority and Contractor amended the agreement effective July 1, 2014, to increase the hourly rate, the number of hours Ms. Penn may charge to the Gateway Authority, to modify the types and amount of insurance Ms. Penn must obtain and to extend the term; and

WHEREAS, Gateway Authority and Contractor desire to further extend the agreement on a month to month basis.

The parties therefore agree as follows:

- 1. Section 5 (Term) of the Agreement is amended to read as follows:
 - "5. <u>Term.</u> The term of this Agreement shall commence on July 1, 2012 and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2015. At such time, the Agreement shall continue on a month to month basis."
- 2. Except as expressly modified or supplemented by this Second Amendment, all of the provisions of the Agreement shall remain unaltered and in full force and effect.

The parties are signing this Amendment as of the Effective Date.

"Gateway Authority"	Contractor"
Los Angeles Gateway Region IRWMP Joint Powers Authority	
By: Name: Chris Cash Title: Chair, Policy Board	Toni Penn
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
By: Name: Steven L. Dorsey Title: Authority Counsel	

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Section 9 – Consideration to accept the City of Avalon as GWMA JPA members.

Background

The City of Avalon ("Avalon") has reached out to mainland entities to more fully participate and access benefits through more regional partnerships. Avalon has expressed its desire to join GWMA by approving the JPA agreement on June 2nd. For full execution, acceptance by the GWMA requires a super-majority vote. They anticipate having a resolution adopted on June 16 to appoint their board member and alternate.

Fiscal Impact:

Avalon will participate as a full-paying members which will result in additional appropriations paid to GWMA annually.

Recommendation:

Approve Avalon's membership to the GWMA.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVALON APPROVING THE LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, provisions of the California Water Code (Section 10530) also known as the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Act allow for public agencies to collectively prepare and implement a regional plan for the management of water resources; and

WHEREAS, the City of Avalon is interested in entering into a Joint Powers Agreement to join a "Regional Water Management Group" as defined in and authorized by the Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Act to develop a regional water management plan that will protect and enhance the region's water resources.

WHEREAS, the City of Avalon is a Public Agency as defined by the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, California Government Code (Section 6500)

NOW, THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVALON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Joint Powers Agreement for the Los Angeles Gateway Regional Water Management Authority is hereby approved (Exhibit 1- Joint Powers Agreement).

Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this Resolution.

Passed, Approved and Adopted on the 2nd day of June, 2015.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Avalon following a roll call vote:

Ayes: Mayor Marshall, Councilmembers Olsen, Cassidy and Sampson

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember Hernandez

Abstain: None

Jan L. Marshall, Mayor

Denise A. Radde, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)	
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)	SS.
CITY OF AVALON)	

I, DENISE A. RADDE, CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF AVALON, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 15-18, and was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the Avalon City Council at its regular meeting of June 2, 2015, by the following vote:

Ayes: Mayor Marshall, Councilmembers Olsen, Cassidy, and Sampson

Noes: None

Absent: Councilmember Hernandez

Abstain: None

and that the same has not been amended nor repealed.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2015.

Denise A. Radde, City Clerk City of Avalon, California 16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA 90723

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<u>SECTION NO. 10</u>: Approval of FY 2015/16 Budget, Annual Membership Dues of \$15,000, 3% MOU Administrative Fee for GWMA Members and 5% MOU Administrative Fee for non-GWMA Members

BACKGROUND

The GWMA's fiscal budget occurs July through June. The administrative budget is supported by membership dues. As in past years, staff is recommending annual membership dues of \$15,000. This coupled with administrative fees from MOUs and dues paid by approved reduced membership dues will support the administrative costs of GWMA.

SUMMARY

The proposed budget for FY 2015/16 reflects actual costs and projections through the end of this fiscal year. In doing so, we anticipate reserves of \$447,543 (FY 2014/15 Ending Administrative Fund Balance). Dues from member agencies are expected to be \$369,000 which is an increase of \$30,000 due to 2 new members (Avalon and WRD). This administrative budget does not include MOU project costs or grant project costs. However, it does reflect the administrative and legal costs associated with the MOUs.

Per board policy, an annual percentage must be applied to all MOUs to cover administrative and legal costs. To date, members have been charged 3% and more recently non-members were charged 5%. Staff recommends maintaining the same percentages in the coming year (see below).

DESCRIPTION	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16* ESTIMATE
Fees Collected	\$83,640	\$ 51,000	\$107,000
Legal & Admin Costs	\$88,100	\$ 47,500	\$107,000
Balance	(\$ 4,460)	\$ 3,500	\$ 0

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RECOMMENDATION:

- a. Adopt the FY 2015/16 Budget as presented; and
- Approve the annual membership appropriation of \$15,000 (except for reduced dues memberships).
- c. Adopt member and non-member administrative fees for MOUs at 3% and 5%, respectively

Gateway Water Management Authority FY 2015/16 Budget

DESCRIPTION	FY 15/16 Admin Budget	Current FY 14/15 Admin Budget	FY 14/15 Actuals thru 5/31/2015 & Year-End Projections	Variance	FY 13/14 Actual	FY 12/13 Actual
RESERVES - Beginning Fund Balance	\$447,543	\$785,415	\$593,167	-\$192,248	\$415,211	\$702,741
Dues from Member Agencies *	\$369,500	\$329,500	\$339,500	\$10,000	\$329,500	\$312,500
IRWM Plan Reimbursement	\$00,500		\$0	\$10,000	\$153,146	\$481,153
TOTAL NET ADMIN REVENUES	\$817,043	\$1,114,915	\$932,667	γo	\$897,857	\$1,496,394
**MOU Administrative Fee (all MOUs)	\$107,000	\$51,000	\$51,000	\$0	\$83,640	\$0
TOTAL GROSS ADMIN REVENUES	\$924,043	\$1,165,915	\$983,667	·	\$981,497	\$1,496,394
Professional Services - Executive Officer (Full-time)	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$0	\$123,752	\$88,143
Professional Services - General Counsel	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,276	-\$276	\$62,643	\$17,933
Professional Services - Administrative/Accounting Consultant (Part- Time)	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$0	\$27,787	\$0
Professional Services - Accounting Transition & Oversight	\$60,000	\$0	\$12,000	-\$12,000	\$0	\$0
IRWM Plan Development	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$585,168
General Consulting Services	\$150,000	\$300,000	\$178,500	\$121,500	\$192,152	\$132,394
Government Relations	\$25,000	\$50,000	\$48,000	\$2,000	\$38,000	\$0
Meeting Expenses	\$6,000	\$5,000	\$5,230	-\$230	\$4,239	\$3,346
Office Supplies	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$3,228	\$0
Authorized Conferences & Travel & Sponsorships	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	\$1,586	\$0
Postage, notices, misc.	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$450
Memberships	\$11,000	\$0	\$10,700	-\$10,700	\$11,700	\$0
Insurance	\$12,000	\$8,500	\$11,318	-\$2,818	\$8,443	\$0
Audit	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$11,600	-\$5,600	\$2,900	\$7,300
Office Rent	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Website Services	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$1,000	\$2,000	\$0	\$553
TOTAL NET ADMIN EXPENSES	\$580,500	\$680,000	\$583,624		\$476,430	\$835,286
Admin & Legal Costs Expenses Paid by MOUs	\$107,000	\$51,000	\$47,500	\$3,500	\$88,100	\$0
TOTAL GROSS ADMIN EXPENSES	\$473,500	\$629,000	\$536,124		\$388,330	\$835,286
RESERVES - Ending Admin Fund Balance	<u>\$450,543</u>	<u>\$536,915</u>	<u>\$447,543</u>		<u>\$593,167</u>	<u>\$661,108</u>

NOTES

^{*} Assumes Regular Membership Dues @ \$15,000/member. 21 current + 2 new members @ \$15,000; 3 members @\$5,000; 1 member @\$7,500; and 1 member @\$2,000

^{**} Assumes 3% admin charge for members; and 5% admin charge for non-members

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SECTION NO. 11c - Approval of the First Amendment to the MOU with the Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group

SUMMARY:

Over the course of the past several months, GWMA has been facilitating and assisting the Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group to develop a First Amendment to their existing Memorandum of Understanding. This Amendment will add implementation of the Plans to the scope and purpose of the MOU and to provide a separate cost-share formula for the implementation of the Plans, subject to annual budget approval.

DISCUSSION:

The Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group has been working with GWMA to develop an Amendment to its existing MOU. This group includes: Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, Long Beach, Paramount, Signal Hill, and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. The attached MOU Amendment reflects the input of the watershed group members, GWMA's legal counsel, and the Executive Officer.

Key Elements of this Amendment:

- Add implementation of the Plans to the scope and purpose of the MOU;
- Provide a separate cost-share formula for the implementation of the Plans, subject to annual budget approval; and

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of GWMA Administrative and Legal Services are included in the cost-sharing formula paid by the group. There is no anticipated fiscal impact to GWMA.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 11C

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RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the First Amendment to the MOU and authorize the Chair to execute the MOU Amendment.

FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL
WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY AND THE CITIES OF BELLFLOWER,
CERRITOS, DOWNEY, LAKEWOOD, LONG BEACH, PARAMOUNT, AND SIGNAL HILL, AND
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT
FOR

ADMINISTRATION AND COST SHARING TO PREPARE AND IMPLEMENT A WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ("WMP") and COORDINATED INTEGRATED MONITORING PROGRAM ("CIMP") AS REQUIRED BY THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, LOS ANGELES REGION, NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT ORDER NO. R4-2012-0175 MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM ("MS4 PERMIT")

This **FIRST AMENDMENT** to the memorandum of understanding ("MOU") is made and entered into as of the date of the last signature set forth below, by and between the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority ("GWMA"), a California Joint Powers Authority, and the Cities of Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, Long Beach, Paramount, and Signal Hill ("Cities"), and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District ("LACFCD"):

- **1. Recitals.** This **FIRST AMENDMENT** is made with the respect to the following facts and purposes:
- A. For the purposes of this First Amendment, the term "Watershed Permittees" shall mean the Cities of Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, Long Beach, Paramount, and Signal Hill, and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District; and
- B. The Watershed Permittees and GWMA are collectively referred to as the "PARTIES"; and
- C. The Los Cerritos Watershed Group ("Group") is the technical committee comprised of one representative from each of the Watershed Permittees.
- D. On December 6, 2013, the PARTIES entered into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority and the Cities of Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, Long Beach, Paramount, and Signal Hill, and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District for Administration and Cost Sharing to Prepare a Watershed Management Program ("WMP") and a Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program ("CIMP"), collectively the "Plans" as required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit, Order No. R4-2012-0175 Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MOU"); and
- E. The Watershed Permittees prepared and submitted the Plans to the Regional Board in compliance with certain elements of the MS4 Permit; and

- F. The PARTIES now desire to amend the MOU to: (1) add implementation of the Plans to the scope and purpose of the MOU; and (2) amend the cost-share formula for Watershed Permittees, subject to annual budget approval, in accordance with each PARTY'S cost share allocations set forth in **Exhibit "B"** ("Cost Sharing Formula"); and
- G. The Parties have determined that authorizing GWMA to hire consultant(s) to implement the Plans and provide other additional services as agreed to by the Parties will be beneficial to the Watershed Permittees; and
- H. The Parties desire to collaboratively prepare a Scope of Work and Request for Proposals to obtain a consultant to assist the Parties with implementation required by the Plans.

The PARTIES agree that the following provisions of the MOU shall be amended as follows:

- **2.** Section 1 of the MOU entitled "Recitals" is hereby amended by adding thereto Recitals A-G of Section 1 of this First Amendment, which is set forth in Section 1 of this First Amendment and incorporated herein as though set forth in full.
- **3.** Section 2 of the MOU entitled "Purpose" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- "Section 2. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this MOU is to cooperatively support and undertake preparation of the Plans and any additional services, including but not limited to implementation of the WMP and the CIMP (except for construction of regional BMP projects), the Los Cerritos Channel Metals TMDL ("Metals TMDL"), and the LID Planning Proposition 84 Project, as agreed to by Watershed Permittees working through the Group and as approved by the GWMA.
- **4.** Section 3 of the MOU entitled "Cooperation" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- "Section 3. Cooperation. The Parties shall fully cooperate with one another to achieve the purposes of this MOU. The Group shall prepare a final Scope of Work and Request for Proposals/Qualifications to seek and hire a consultant to assist the Parties with implementation of the Plans, and GWMA shall assist with soliciting proposals from consultants to implement the Plans and shall administer said consultants' contracts."
- **5.** Section 6 of the MOU entitled "Term" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- "Section 6. <u>Term.</u> This MOU shall remain and continue in effect until September 30, 2020, unless sooner terminated as provided herein."
- **6.** Section 8 of the MOU entitled "Role of the GWMA" is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:
 - "Section 8. Responsibilities of the Parties.

- a) Responsibilities of the GWMA. The GWMA agrees to: (i) solicit proposals for preparation and implementation of the Plans and and any additional services, as agreed to by Watershed Permittees and as approved by the GWMA in writing; (ii) administer the selected consultants' ("Consultants") contracts in accordance with the Scopes of Work prepared by the Watershed Permittees; and (iii) serve as a conduit for paying the Consultants, as approved and funded by the Watershed Permittees.
- b) Responsibilities of the Group. The Group agrees to:
 - i. LACFCD Facilities/Mass Emissions Stations. Obtain any necessary permits from LACFCD for access to and construction within LACFCD storm drains, channels, catch basins, and similar properties ("Facilities"), and provide written notice 72 hours in advance of entry to LACFCD's Facilities. If approved by the GWMA, the GWMA may obtain this permit as identified above.
 - ii. Supervise Consultants. Supervise the Consultants' preparation and implementation of the Plans.
 - iii. Reports. Submit reports to the Regional Board as described in the Plans and distribute copies of the reports to the Watershed Permittees prior to submittal to the Regional Board for review and comment. The Group will provide the Watershed Permittees with an electronic copy of the draft CIMP Annual Report and completed CIMP Annual Report within seven (7) business days after receipt from the Consultants. In addition, Group will make available to the Watershed Permittees the data used to prepare the reports. This data will be available electronically in a Microsoft Excel or equivalent format that contains the table structure and syntax agreed upon by the Group.
- c) Responsibilities of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District ("LACFCD"). LACFCD agrees to:
 - i. Access to LACFCD Facilities/Mass Emissions Stations. To grant access to the Group and/or the GWMA, and its Consultants to LACFCD Facilities to achieve the purposes of this MOU, provided the Group and its CONSULTANT obtain a permit and provide written notice 72 hours in advance of entry to LACFCD's Facilities. Access permits will be issued by the LACFCD expeditiously at no cost to the Parties and their Consultants. Permits for construction or installation of structures in LACFCD right of way will incur fees to cover the cost of review, inspection, etc. by LACFCD.
- d) Responsibilities of the Watershed Permittees. The Watershed Permittees agree to:

- i. Documentation. To make a full-faith effort to cooperate with one another to achieve the purposes of this MOU by providing all requested information and documentation in their possession and available for release to the Consultants that is deemed necessary by the Parties to implement the Plans.
- ii. Access. Each Watershed Permittee will allow reasonable access and entry to the Parties and their Consultants, on an as needed basis during the term of this MOU, to each Watershed Permittee's Facilities to achieve the purposes of this MOU, provided, however, that prior to entering any of the Watershed Permittee's Facilities, the Consultants shall obtain a permit and provide written notice 72 hours in advance of entry from the applicable Watershed Permittee.
- iii. Permit. The Watershed Permittees will make a full-faith effort to work with the Consultants to obtain all necessary permits for installation of permanent infrastructure or modifications to stormwater monitoring sites within each Watershed Permittee's jurisdiction.
- **7.** Section 9 of the MOU entitled "Financial Terms" is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 9. Financial Terms.

- a) Each Watershed Permittee shall pay its Respective Costs as provided in **Exhibit "B"** ("Cost Sharing Formula") for Consultants, and costs incurred in preparing the Metals TMDL and the LID Planning Proposition 84 project, and any other related expenses to which the Parties may agree in writing.
- b) Each Watershed Permittee shall also pay its proportional share of GWMA's staff time for retaining Consultants and invoicing the Watershed Permittees, audit expenses and other overhead costs, including reasonable legal fees ("MOU Costs") incurred by GWMA in the performance of its duties under this MOU. GWMA shall add a percentage not to exceed three percent (3%) to each invoice submitted to each Watershed Permittee to cover each Watershed Permittee's share of the MOU Costs. The MOU Costs percentage shall be set each fiscal year by a vote of the GWMA Board.
- c) GWMA shall submit an invoice to each Watershed Permittee upon selection of Consultants reflecting each Watershed Permittee's estimated Respective Costs of the Consultants' services through the following June 30th. Prior to releasing payment to Consultants, GWMA shall submit a copy of the Consultants' invoices to the Group for approval. The decision regarding

- whether to pay the invoice shall be communicated to the GWMA by the Representative.
- d) Upon receiving the first and each subsequent invoice, each Watershed Permittee shall pay its Respective Costs set forth in that invoice to the GWMA within forty-five days (45) days of receipt.
- e) By March 15th of each year, commencing March 15, 2015, the Group shall submit to GWMA a recommended budget for the following fiscal year. GWMA shall consider the recommendation and adopt a budget by June 30th inclusive of the Group's recommendation. GWMA will send each Watershed Permittee no later than June 30th of each year an invoice representing the Watershed Permittee's Respective Costs of the adopted budget. GWMA shall not expend funds in excess of each annual budgeted amount without prior notification to and approval by the Group.
- f) Each Watershed Permittee shall review its recommended Respective Costs for the upcoming fiscal year in a timely manner for inclusion in its next budget cycle or exercise the withdrawal and termination clause as specified in Section 13.a) of the MOU.
- A Watershed Permittee will be delinquent if the invoiced payment is within g) the budgeted amounts or the amounts authorized by the Group and such invoiced payment is not received by the GWMA within forty-five (45) days after the GWMA first sent the invoice. The GWMA will follow the procedure listed below, or such other procedure that the Group directs to effectuate payment: 1) verbally contact the official of the Watershed Permittee with copies to each other Watershed Permittee to the person and at the address to which notices should be addressed pursuant to Section 15 of the MOU, and 2) submit a formal letter from the GWMA Executive Officer to the Watershed Permittee. If payment is not received within sixty (60) days following the due date, the GWMA may terminate the MOU unless the City Managers/Administrators of the Watershed Permittees in good standing inform the GWMA in writing that their respective Watershed Permittees agree to adjust their Proportional Cost allocations in accordance with the Cost Share Formula in Exhibit "B" ("Cost Sharing Formula"). The terminated Watershed Permittee shall remain obligated to GWMA for its delinquent payments and any other obligations incurred prior to the date of termination.
- h) GWMA shall suspend all work being performed by any Consultants retained by GWMA if any Watershed Permittee has not paid its invoice within forty five (45) days after the GWMA first sent the invoice unless the City Managers/ Administrators of the other Watershed Permittees inform the GWMA in writing that their respective Watershed Permittees will pay the delinquent Watershed Permittee's costs once the MOU with the delinquent Watershed Permittee has been terminated.

- i) Any delinquent payments by a Watershed Permittee shall accrue compound interest at the then-current rate of interest in the Local Agency Investment Fund, calculated from the first date of delinquency until the payment is made.
- j) Funds remaining in the possession of the GWMA at the end of the term of this MOU, or at the termination of this MOU, whichever occurs earlier, shall be promptly returned to the then remaining Watershed Permittees in accordance with the Cost Share Formula in **Exhibit "B"** ("Cost Sharing Formula").
- k) All Parties except LACFCD and Caltrans previously entered into the TMDL MOU. Unencumbered TMDL funds shall be applied to the Participant Costs and MOU Costs of the signatories of the TMDL MOU.
- 1) The PARTIES agree that if any other entity decides to cost share any element of the CIMP, GWMA will enter into a separate MOU with that entity and will reduce the PARTIES' future invoice amount(s) accordingly.
- **8.** Paragraph a) of Section 13 of the MOU entitled "Withdrawal; Termination" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- "a) A Watershed Permittee may withdraw from this MOU for any reason, or no reason, by giving the other Watershed Permittees thirty (30) days written notice thereof. The effective withdrawal date shall be the thirtieth (30th) day after GWMA receives the withdrawing Watershed Permittee's notice to withdraw from the MOU. The withdrawing Watershed Permittee shall be responsible for its Respective Costs and proportional MOU Costs, which the GWMA incurred or to which it became bound through the effective date of withdrawal. Such MOU Costs shall include the remaining fees of any Consultant retained by the GWMA through the effective date of withdrawal. Should any Watershed Permittee withdraw from the MOU, the remaining Watershed Permittees' Proportional Cost allocation shall be adjusted in accordance with the Cost Sharing Formula in Exhibit "B" ("Cost Sharing Formula"). A withdrawing Watershed Permittee shall remain liable for any loss, debt, liability otherwise incurred while participating in this MOU. If after paying any such loss, debt, or liablity, its Respective Costs and its MOU Costs incurred through the effective date of withdrawal, the GWMA has any unspent funds remaining from the withdrawing Watershed Permittee's deposits, the GWMA shall promptly return such unspent deposit to the withdrawing Watershed Permittee.
- **9. Exhibit "B"** ("Cost Sharing") of the MOU is hereby revised to delete Table 2 on page 22 of the MOU.
- **10.** A new Table 2 and a new Table 3 ("Cost Sharing Formula") are hereby added to **Exhibit "B"** of the MOU to read as set forth in **Exhibit "B2"** to this First Amendment, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as though set forth in full.

11. Except for the changes specifically set forth herein, all other terms and conditions of the MOU shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the be executed on their behalf, i	Parties hereto have caused this FIRST AMENDMENT to respectively, as follows:
DATE:	LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
	Chris Cash GWMA Chair
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DATE:	CITY OF BELLFLOWER Mr. Jeffrey L. Stewart City Manager 16600 Civic Center Drive Bellflower, CA 90706		
	Jeffrey L. Stewart City Manager		
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
Debra D. Bauchop	Joseph W. Pannone City Attorney		

DATE:	CITY OF CERRITOS Mr. Art Gallucci City Manager P.O. Box 3130 Cerritos, CA 90703-3130			
	Art Gallucci City Manager			
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
Vida Barone City Clerk	Mark Steres City Attorney			

DATE:	CITY OF DOWNEY Mr. Gilbert A. Livas City Manager 11111 Brookshire Avenue Downey, CA 90241
	Gilbert A. Livas City Manager
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Adria M. Jimenez City Clerk	Yvette M. Abich Garcia City Attorney

DATE:	CITY OF LAKEWOOD Mr. Steve Croft Mayor 5050 Clark Avenue Lakewood, CA 90712
	Steve Croft Mayor
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Denise R. Hayward	[insert name]
City Clerk	City Attorney

DATE:		CITY OF LONG BEACH Mr. Patrick H. West City Manager 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 13 th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802
		Patrick H. West City Manager
ATTEST:		APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Poonam Davis City Clerk		Charles Parkin City Attorney
	By:	Deputy City Attorney

DATE:	CITY OF PARAMOUNT Ms. Linda Benedetti-Leal City Manager 16400 Colorado Avenue Paramount, CA 90723
	Linda Benedetti-Leal City Manager
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Lana Chikami City Clerk	John E. Cavanaugh City Attorney

DATE:	CITY OF SIGNAL HILL Mr. Ken Farfsing City Manager 2175 Cherry Avenue Signal Hill, CA 90602			
	Ken Farfsing City Manager			
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:			
Kathleen Pacheco City Clerk	insert name City Attorney			

DATE:	LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Watershed Management Division, 11 th Fl. 900 South Fremont Avenue Alhambra, CA 91803-1331
By:	Chief Engineer
	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
	Mark J. Saladino County Counsel
	 Deputy

EXHIBIT "B2"

Cost Sharing Formula for Implementation of the Plans

The Watershed Permittees agree to pay for the cost of implementation of the WMP and CIMP and any additional services as agreed to by the Parties, following this cost sharing allocation.

TABLE 2
Cost Sharing Formula per \$100,000
beginning July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2020.

Agency Name	Acres in Watershed	% of Total Area	Share Per Percentage of Watershed ²	Flat Fee ²	Cost Share Percentage	Share Per \$100,000
LACFCD1	NA	NA	NA	NA	5%	\$5,000.00
Bellflower	2,818.43	16.37%	\$9,003.50	\$5,000	14.00%	\$14,003.50
Cerritos	57.60	0.34%	\$187.00	\$5,000	5.19%	\$5,187.00
Downey	245.00	1.42%	\$781.00	\$5,000	5.78%	\$5,781.00
Lakewood	4,802.77	27.90%	\$15,345.00	\$5,000	20.35%	\$20,345.00
Long	7,535.38	43.78%	\$24,079.00	\$5,000	29.08%	\$29,079.00
Beach						
Paramount	1,128.93	6.56%	\$3,608.00	\$5,000	8.61%	\$8,608.00
Signal Hill	530.75	3.08%	\$1,694.00	\$5,000	6.69%	\$6,694.00
Total ^{3,4,5}	17,213.86 ³	100%	\$55,000.00	\$40,000	100.00%	\$100,000.00

Source: City acreage within watershed from EPA.

¹LACFCD is committed to pay 5% of implementation of the WMP and the CIMP.

² For the municipalities, 55% is based on percent of Freshwater Watershed acreage and 40% based on a Flat Fee of \$5,000 per \$100,000, since the LACFCD is paying 5% of total cost.

³ The established TMDL indicates that the watershed contains 17,711 acres. The total acres shown in Table 3 excludes 497.97 acres of Caltrans property.

⁴The Watershed Group will determine each year a budget for the following fiscal year necessary to comply with Section VI.C. of Order No. R4-2012-0175 and the comparable requirements of Section VII.C. of Order No R4-2014-0024.

⁵ This estimate does not include Caltrans at this time.

TABLE 3
Cost Sharing Formula per \$600,000
beginning July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2020.

Agency Name	Acres in Watershed	% of Total Area	Share Per Percentage of Watershed ²	Flat Fee ²	Cost Share Percentage	Share Per \$600,000
LACFCD1	NA	NA	NA	\$30,000	5%	\$30,000
Bellflower	2,818.43	16.37%	54,021	\$30,000	14.00%	\$84,021
Cerritos	57.60	0.34%	\$1,122	\$30,000	5.19%	\$31,122
Downey	245.00	1.42%	\$4,686	\$30,000	5.78%	\$34,686
Lakewood	4,802.77	27.90%	\$92,070	\$30,000	20.35%	\$122,070
Long	7,535.38	43.78%	\$144,474	\$30,000	29.08%	\$174,474
Beach						
Paramount	1,128.93	6.56%	\$21,648	\$30,000	8.61%	\$51,648
Signal Hill	530.75	3.08%	\$10,164	\$30,000	6.69%	40,164
Total ^{3,4,5}	17,213.864	100%	330,000.00	\$270,000	100%	\$600,000

Source: City acreage and County unincorporated area within watershed from EPA.

¹LACFCD is committed to pay 5% of implementation of the WMP and the CIMP (except for construction of regional BMP projects).

² For the municipalities, 55% is based on percent of Freshwater Watershed acreage and 40% based on a Flat Fee of \$30,000, since the LACFCD is paying 5% of the total cost.

³ Based on total budget of \$600,000.

⁴ The established TMDL indicates that the watershed contains 17,711 acres. The total acres shown in Table 1 excludes 497.97 acres of Caltrans property.

⁵ This estimate does not include Caltrans at this time.