



AGENDA

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 12:00 p.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 – Tapping into Available Capacity in Existing Infrastructure to Create Water Supply and Water Quality Solutions – David Pedersen (Enclosure)**
- 6. Consent Calendar: (Acted as one item unless withdrawn by request)**
 - a. Minutes of the Board Meeting of October 11, 2018 (Enclosure)
 - b. Approve the Warrant Register for November 2018 (Enclosure)
 - c. Receive and File the Updated Expenditures for Legal Counsel Services (Enclosure)
- 7. Status Report Update on GWMA Funding Strategy & Grants Program (Enclosure)**
 - a. Authorize staff to prepare and provide letters of support, if requested, to cities and agencies within the Gateway region of Southeastern Los Angeles County who will be applying for the grant applications for Round 2, Proposition 1 RMC Grant Program.
 - b. Receive and File Status Report Update on GWMA Funding Strategy & Grants Program.
- 8. Gateway Region Watershed Management Groups Oral Reports**
 - a. Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group
 - b. Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group
 - c. Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group
 - d. Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group

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9. **Executive Officer's Oral Report**
10. **Directors' Oral Comments/Reports**
11. **Adjournment to Regular Board Meeting on December 13, 2018**

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AGENDA ITEM 5

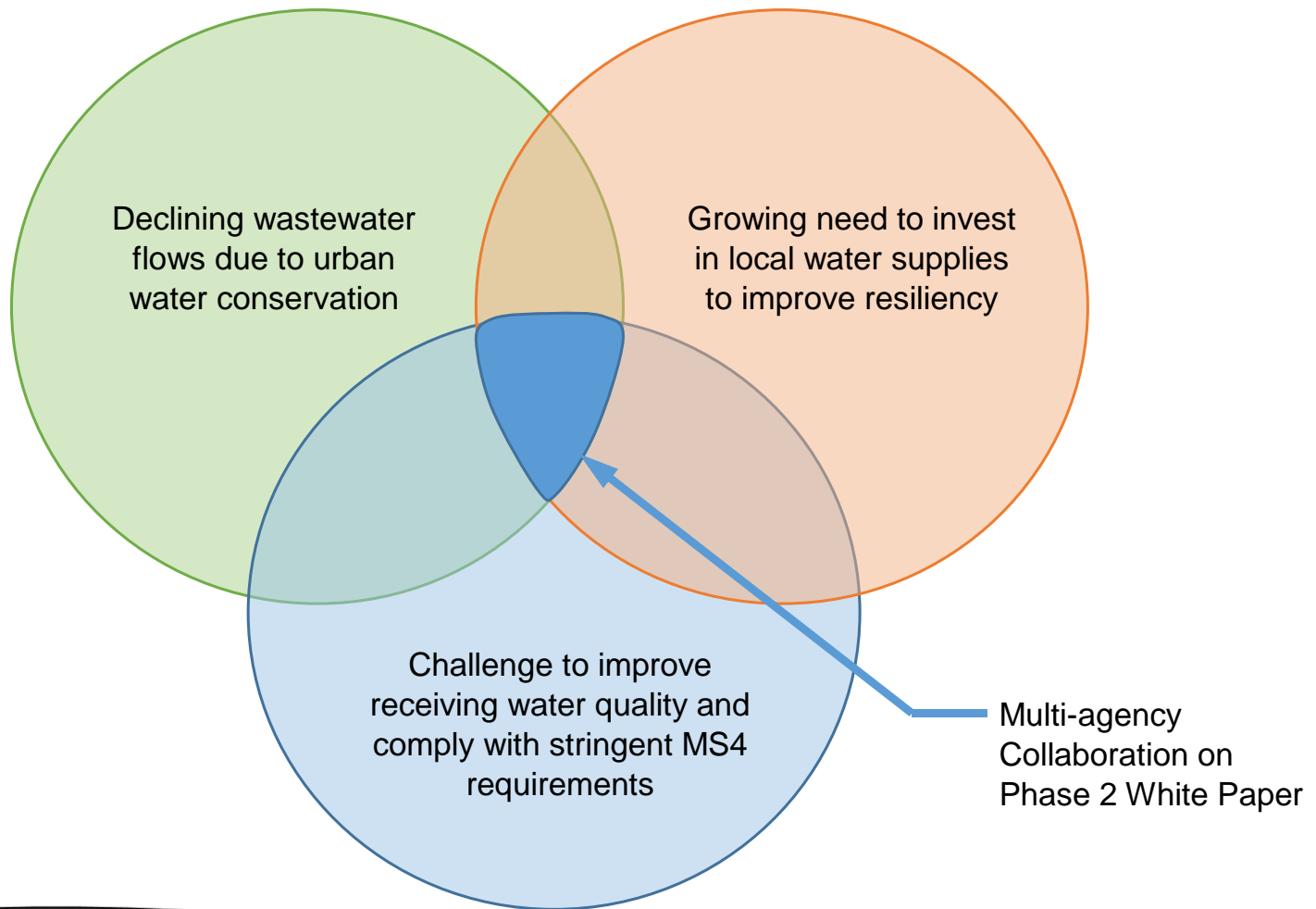
Tapping into Available Capacity in Existing Infrastructure to Create Water Supply and Water Quality Solutions

Gateway Water Management Authority

November 8, 2018

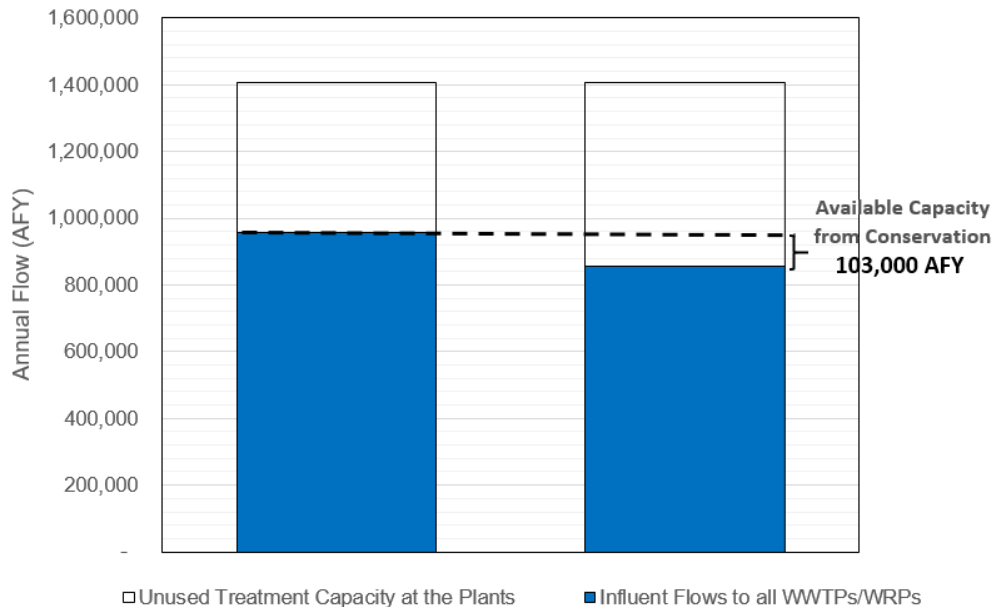


Primary Drivers for Study



Conservation and Wastewater Flows

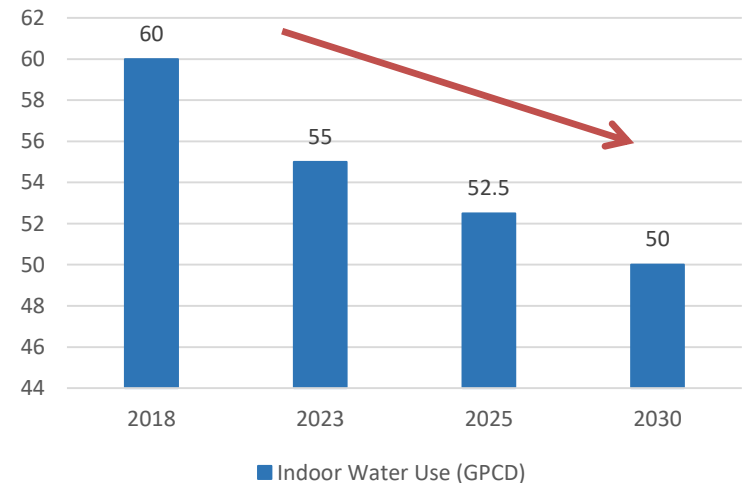
Conservation Practices Post-Drought Provide Additional Capacity to Use for Stormwater Treatment and Reuse



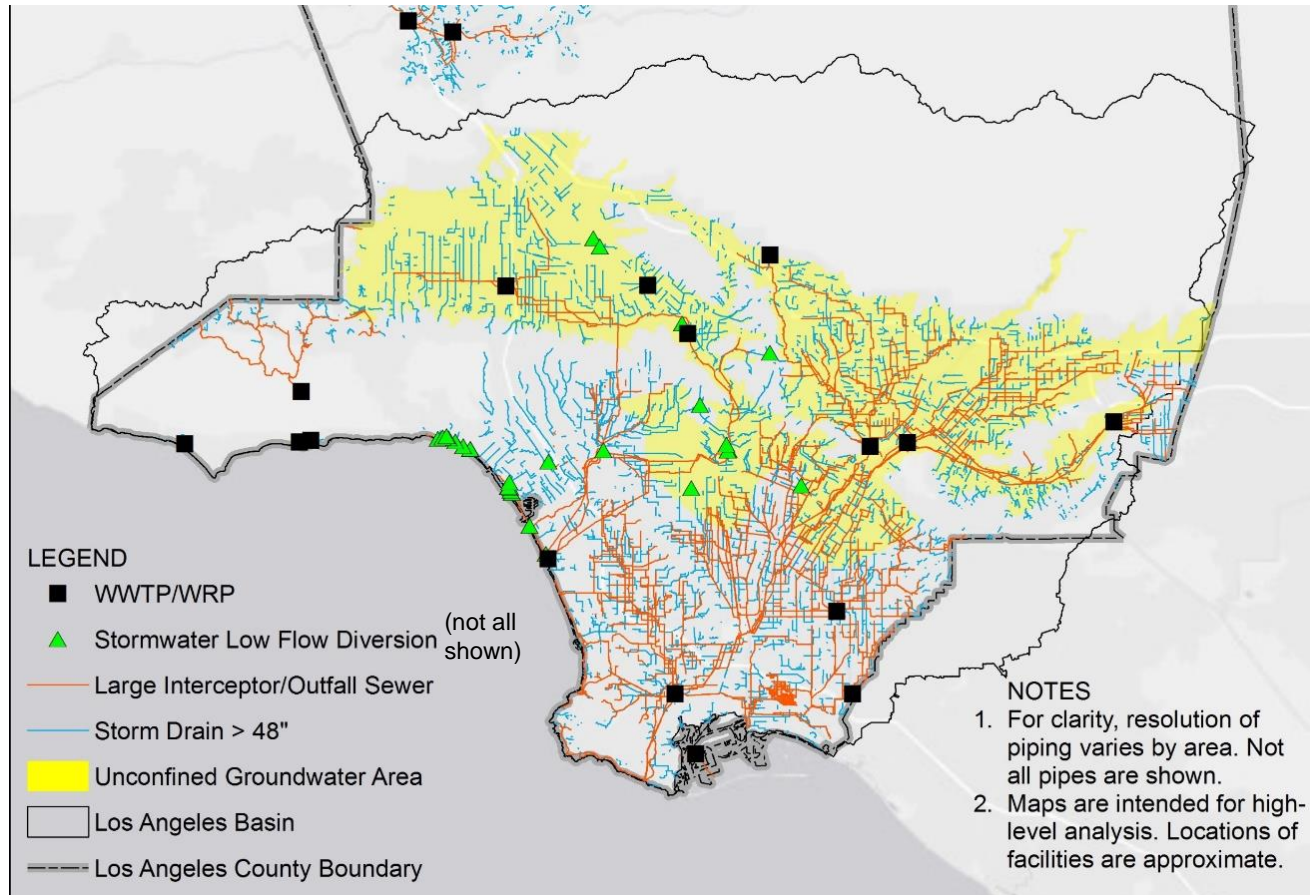
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SB 606 / AB1668 – Making Conservation a California Way of Life

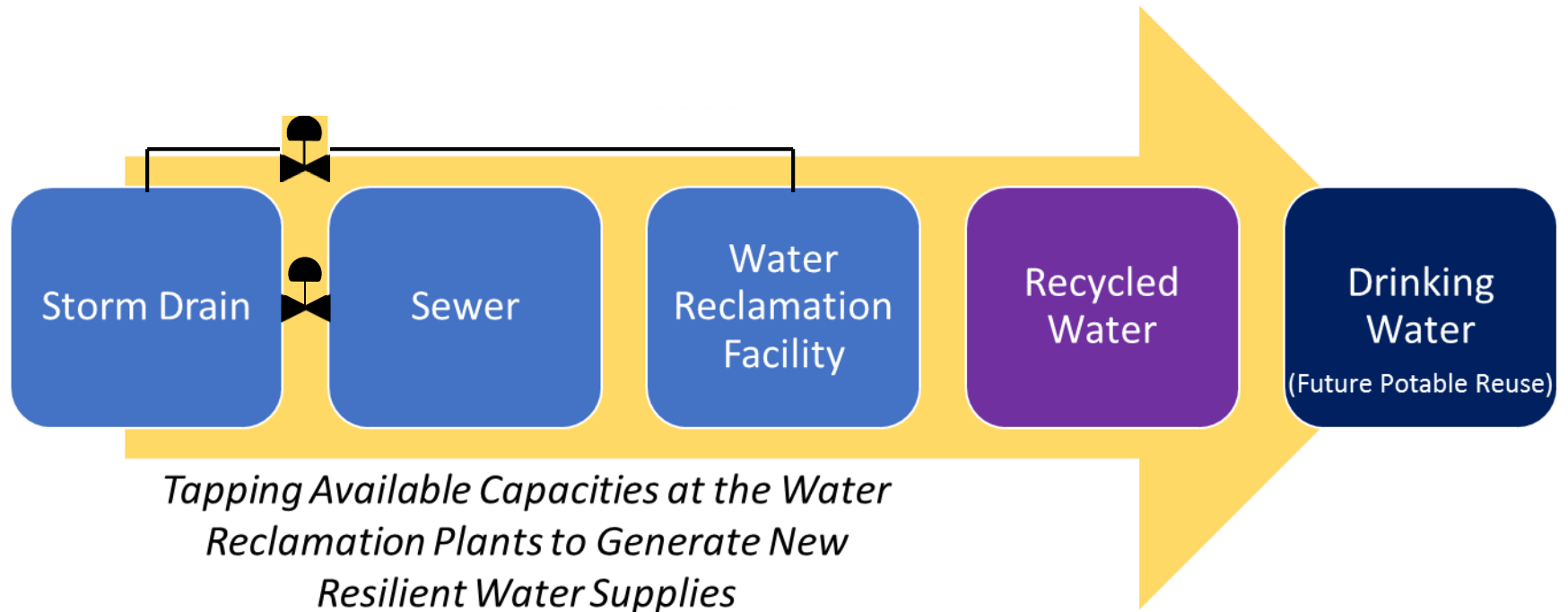
Indoor Water Use (GPCD)



Overlapping Infrastructure



The Approach



Alignment w/Existing Efforts



Phase 1 White Paper

- Completed in May 2018.
- Highlighted the merits of diverting urban runoff and first flush stormwater to the wastewater system.
- Illustrated the need for additional study:
 - To address potential challenges and complexities.
 - To engage a much broader group of stakeholders.

WHITE PAPER

PRE-RELEASE VERSION

Tapping into Available Capacity in
Existing Infrastructure to Create Water
Supply and Water Quality Solutions

Prepared for

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District
Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster

May 2018

ch2m:

CH2M HILL Engineers, Inc.
1000 Wilshire
Suite 2100
Los Angeles, CA 90017



Purpose of Phase 2 White Paper

- Explore the opportunity for controlled and strategic integration of the region's existing stormwater and wastewater systems to achieve multiple benefits:
 - Enhance the quality of receiving waters in Los Angeles County, and
 - Increase water supplies available for recycling.
- Build upon the work initiated with Phase 1 White Paper and engage a broader group of stakeholders.
- Provide a roadmap for municipalities to pursue the strategy.



Agencies Supporting or Participating

- Las Virgenes Municipal Water District*
- Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts*
- Los Angeles County Department of Public Works*
- Los Angeles Department of Water and Power*
- LA Sanitation and Environment*
- Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster*
- Water Replenishment District of Southern California*
- Calleguas Municipal Water District
- Central Basin Municipal Water District*
- Pasadena Water and Power
- Three Valleys Municipal Water District
- City of Torrance
- Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District



Conclusions

- Water and wastewater agencies are valuable partners to develop multi-benefit solutions that support MS4 compliance.
- Drought and long-term conservation have resulted in reductions to influent sewer flows, a trend that is likely to continue in the future.
- Over the next 10 years, water reuse projects are expected to more than double the current reuse flow rate.
- Permissive diversion of urban runoff and some stormwater can help to address MS4 requirements, while generating additional source water for recycling.
- Maximizing the use of existing infrastructure makes good economic sense.
- Additional study of the strategy is warranted through a Phase 2 White Paper.



Next Steps

- Submit a grant application to MWD for its Future Supply Actions Funding Program (completed).
- Briefing for Los Angeles RWQCB on September 13th (completed)
- Finalize the scope of work for the study.
- Identify the participating agencies and prepare a cooperative funding agreement.
- Complete the 12-month study with input and oversight from a project steering committee comprised of representatives from each participating agency.



AGENDA ITEM NO. 6A

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
BOARD
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA.

Vice Chair Adriana Figueroa called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Roll was called by Ms. Kast and a quorum of the Board was declared.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Okina Dor	Artesia
Jordan Monroe	Avalon
Robert Linton (alternate)	Bell
Chau Vu	Bell Gardens
Tammy Hierlihy	Central Basin MWD
Mike O'Grady (alternate)	Cerritos
Gina Nila	Commerce
Christina Dixon (alternate)	Huntington Park
Mark Stowell	La Mirada
Konya Vivanti (alternate)	Lakewood
Alvin Papa	Long Beach
Cecilia Amaya	Montebello
Julian Lee (alternate)	Norwalk
Adriana Figueroa	Paramount
Mark Grajeda	Pico Water District
Kelli Tunnichliff	Signal Hill
Gladis Deras (alternate)	South Gate
Claudia Arellano (alternate)	Vernon
Phuong Nguyen (alternate)	Whittier

STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Traci Gleason	Administrative Manager
Kekoa Anderson	Koa Consulting
Bill Minasian	Downey Resident

ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

ITEM 4 - ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

ITEM 5 - CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Mike O’Grady motioned to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Noe Negrete and was approved by the following voice vote:

**AYES: DOR, MONROE, LINTON, VU, O’GRADY, NILA, DIXON,
VIVANTI, LEE, NEGRETE, DERAS, ARELLANO**

NOES: NONE

**ABSTAIN: MINUTES ONLY – HIERLIHY, STOWELL, PAPA, AMAYA,
FIGUEORA, NGUYEN**

**ITEM 6 - STATUS REPORT UPDATE ON GWMA FUNDING STRATEGY AND
GRANTS PROGRAM**

Mr. Kekoa Anderson, Koa Consulting, provided the Board with a status update on GWMA Funding Strategy and Grants Program (“Program”). The Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Lower Los Angeles River Proposition 1 Grant final guidelines were issued. Request for grants will be accepted on an on-going basis until all funding is expended. Grant recommendations will be brought to the RMC Board starting January 2019. Grant applications submitted by October 31st will be evaluated and considered for recommendation at the January board meeting. Based on the Integration Program, the Gateway Cities Council of Governments and GWMA Joint Committee have prioritized and identified for the October 31st submission, three projects that would optimize the benefits to the Gateway Region. They are: John Anson Ford Park Project, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Transmission Easement Project, and the Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment (LB-MUST) Project.

Director Tunnichliff entered at 12:14 p.m.

Director Grajeda entered at 12:18 p.m.

Director Nila moved to:

- a) Authorize staff to develop and sign letters of support for the following three regional projects for the RMC Proposition 1 Lower Los Angeles River Grant Applications: John Anson Ford Park; LADWP Transmission Easement; and, LB-MUST Expansion.
- b) Authorize staff to submit the RMC Proposition 1 Lower Los Angeles River Grant Applications for the three following regional projects, and administer the grants if

successfully awarded: John Anson Ford Park; LADWP Transmission Easement; and, LB-MUST Expansion.

- c) Authorize staff to provide letters of support to cities and agencies within the Gateway region of Southeastern Los Angeles County who will be applying for the grant independently.
- d) Authorize the Vice Chair to execute a resolution, drafted by GWMA staff, providing authorization to designate a representative to apply, receive and manage the grant for the following projects, if successfully awarded the grant: John Anson Ford Park; LADWP Transmission Easement; and, LB-MUST Expansion.

The motion was seconded by Director O'Grady and was approved by the following voice vote:

AYES: DOR, MONROE, LINTON, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, DIXON, STOWELL, VIVANTI, PAPA, AMAYA, LEE, FIGUEROA, GREJADA, NEGRETE, TUNICLIFF, DERAS, ARELLANO, NGUYEN

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ITEM 7 – GATEWAY REGION WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GROUPS ORAL REPORT

Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group

Upcoming meeting is October 22, 2018.

Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group

Upcoming meeting is on October 22, 2018.

Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group

Upcoming meeting is on October 18, 2018.

Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group

Tetra Tech was awarded a contract for the El Dorado Regional Park.

**ITEM 8 – REQUEST TO WITHDRAW MEMBERSHIP FROM GATEWAY WATER
MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY – PICO WATER DISTRICT (ENCLOSURE)**

Vice Chair Figueroa moved to accept Pico Water District's request to withdraw its membership and authorize the Executive Officer and the Executive Committee (Chair, Vice-Chair and Treasurer) to prepare a letter agreement to accept a pro-rated amount of Pico Water District's membership dues assessment, in the amount of \$5000. The Board expressed its belief that this action would not set a precedent for future member withdrawals because it involved unique circumstances. The Board wished to remind its members that withdrawals must be made prior to or within 30 days of adoption of GWMA's annual dues for a particular fiscal year in order to avoid paying such dues for that fiscal year.

The motion was seconded by Director Nila and was approved by the following voice vote:

AYES: DOR, MONROE, LINTON, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, DIXON, STOWELL, VIVANTI, PAPA, AMAYA, LEE, FIGUEROA, GREJADA, NEGRETE, TUNICLIFF, DERAS, ARELLANO, NGUYEN

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

**ITEM 9 - CLOSED SESSION – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-
ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. INITIATION OF LITIGATION PURSUANT
TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(4). NUMBER OF CASES: 1**

No reportable action.

ITEM 10 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S ORAL REPORT

None.

ITEM 11 – DIRECTORS' ORAL COMMENTS/REPORT

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

The next Board Meeting of the Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority will be on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA.

Kelli Tunnichliff, Secretary/Treasurer

Date



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AGENDA ITEM 6b - Approve the Warrant Register for November 2018

SUMMARY:

The Warrant Register is a listing of general checks issued since the last warrant register. Warrants will be signed by 2 of the 3 Board Officers and released by Traci Gleason, serving as the Administrative Manager of the Gateway Water Management Authority, upon Board Approval.

DISCUSSION:

The Warrant Register for expenditures dated November 2018 in the amount of \$162,021.21 are submitted for approval. Invoices and supporting documentation are available for review at the office of the GWMA.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Warrant Registers totals \$162,021.21. Funds to cover payment are available in the GWMA budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Warrant Register for November 2018 as presented.

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AGENDA ITEM No. 6b
WARRANT REGISTER
DISBURSEMENT JOURNAL
NOVEMBER 2018

Invoice Date	Vendor	Invoice Number	Description	Amount
10/5/2018	Anchor QEA	58760	RMC Compliance Monitoring FY16/17 (Services through 7/1/18-8/31/18)	\$ 1,535.00
10/5/2018	Anchor QEA	58917	RMC Compliance Monitoring FY 17/18 (Services through 8/1/18-8/31/18)	\$ 6,556.25
10/31/2018	Gateway Cities COG	10/31/2018	Office Supplies and Breakfast Invoice (for Joint COG/GWMA Meeting)	\$ 213.36
10/18/2018	Joe A. Gonsalves & Sons	156927	Legislative Advocacy (Services through 11/1/18-11/30/18)	\$ 2,083.00
10/2/2018	John L. Hunter & Associates	BGFPP0718	Ford Park Project (Services through 7/1/18-7/31/18)	\$ 660.00
10/3/2018	John L. Hunter & Associates	BGFPP0918	Ford Park Project (Services through 8/1/18-9/30/18)	\$ 41,965.00
10/16/2018	John L. Hunter & Associates	GANPLA0918	LLAR WMP (Services provided 9/1/18-9/30/18)	\$ 41,804.17
10/29/2018	Koa Consulting, Inc.	K114-01-06	COG Water-Related Coordination Activities and Executive Officer Services	\$ 31,673.36
10/11/2018	Rich Watson & Associates	18-192-003-010	Services for Development and Implementation of WMP & Implementation of CIMP for Los Cerritos Channel	\$ 34,091.07
9/12/2018	Richard Watson Gershon Law	218497	Legal Services Relating to Harbor Toxic Pollutants TMDL (Services through 8/31/18)	\$ 585.00
10/10/2018	Richard Watson Gershon Law	218963	General Legal Services (Services through 9/30/18)	\$ 832.50
10/10/2018	Richard Watson Gershon Law	218964	Legal Services Relating to Harbor Toxic Pollutants TMDL (Services through 9/30/18)	\$ 22.50
			Total	\$ 162,021.21

Reviewed and Approved by:


Kelli Tunnicliff, GWMA Secretary and Treasure



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AGENDA ITEM 6c - Status of Total Legal Expenditures for General Legal Counsel Services for FY 2018/19

SUMMARY:

At the Board meeting in June 2018, the Board approved the budget for legal counsel services of \$60,000 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018/19 to address legal issues. The Board also directed staff to provide monthly updates on total expenditures for legal counsel services.

Legal Counsel Services Update:

\$60,000.00	FY2018/19 Budget amount for Legal Counsel services
<u>\$ 5,408.56</u>	Expenditures for Legal Counsel services through September 2018
\$ 54,591.44	Remaining budget amount available through June 30, 2019

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total expenditures for Legal Counsel services for FY 2018/2019 through September 2018 total \$5,408.56. Sufficient funds to cover payment for legal counsel services is remaining in the GWMA FY 2018/2019 budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the status the updated expenditures for Legal Counsel Services.

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AGENDA ITEM 7 - Status Report Update on GWMA Funding Strategy & Grants Program

BACKGROUND:

GWMA Funding Strategy & Grants Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2018/2019

The goal of the GWMA Funding Strategy & Grants Program FY 2018/2019 is to coordinate and identify possible funding strategies and to prioritize and optimize the benefits to the region with the greatest rate of return on our investment through shared funding avenues and program coordination.

Regional Program Coordination

- The Greater Los Angeles IRWMP's (OPTI system)
- The Gateway Cities Strategic Transportation Plan (STP)
- Metro Measure R & M
- The Lower Los Angeles River Revitalization Plan
- The Gateway Cities Urban Greening Plan

The following discussion items provide an update on the current scope of work of the GWMA Funding Strategy & Grants Program:

Upcoming Coordination Meetings:

- | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| • Prop 1 IRWM Implementation Public Meeting | November 13, 2018 |
| • Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group | November 15, 2018 |
| • Lower San Gabriel Watershed Group | November 15, 2018 |
| • Greater LA IRWM – Lower SG/Lower LA Steering Committee | November 20, 2018 |
| • Lower Los Angeles River UR2 Watershed Group | (TBD) |
| • Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group | November 26, 2018 |
| • GCCOG/GWMA Joint Committee Meeting | December 3, 2018 |

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Grant Program Overview:

We are continuing to identify candidate projects and priorities based on the preliminary screening of potential grant requirements. The following areas were considered when developing candidate projects (Grant Focus Areas & Objectives):

- Improve Water Quality
- Improve Surface Water Quality
- Enhance Habitat/Protect and Restore Ecosystems
- Enhance Open Space & Recreation
- Reduce Flood Risk
- Address Climate Change & Develop Reliable Water Supply
- Identify Sustainable and Integrated Financing Opportunities

Lower Los Angeles River, RMC Prop 1 Grant Summary:

The allocation is for projects to protect and enhance urban creeks and their tributaries (Prop. 1 Section 79735(a)). Projects identified within the Lower Los Angeles River Revitalization Plan and along the Lower Los Angeles River corridor are eligible.

Open Call for Projects Started September 16, 2018, and funding will be awarded quarterly starting in January 2019 until funding is expended. Available grant funding is \$41.4 million. For consideration at the January 2019 RMC Board Meeting, applications were to be submitted by October 31, 2018. For consideration at the March 2019 RMC Board Meeting, applications are to be submitted by December 31, 2018.

As authorized by the board at the October GWMA Board Meeting, staff submitted RMC Proposition 1 Lower Los Angeles River Grant Applications on October 31st for the three following regional projects: John Anson Ford Park; LADWP Transmission Easement; and, LB-MUST Expansion.

RMC Territory, RMC Prop 1, Round 2, Grant Summary:

On October 16th, RMC issued Proposition 1, Round 2, Grant Program Guidelines for projects within the RMC Territory. Funding available through this grant program is \$10.8 million. The deadline to apply for the grant is December 16, 2018. Successful applicants are anticipated to be notified by March 31, 2019.

The Grant Program Guidelines are available at:

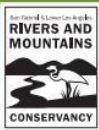
http://www.rmc.ca.gov/Prop1/FINAL_RMCPop1GrantGuidelines_October2018.pdf

The following two page provides an overview of the RMC Grant Funds.

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San Gabriel & Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy



The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 ("Proposition 1") was approved by voters in November 2014 codified as Division 26.7 of the Water Code which authorized \$7.545 billion dollars in general obligation bonds for State water projects, including surface and groundwater storage, ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration, and drinking water protection.

Purposes of Proposition 1 include implementing the three objectives of the California Water Action Plan which are: 1) more reliable water supplies, 2) the restoration of important species and habitat, and 3) a more resilient and sustainably managed water infrastructure.

Prop 1 throughout RMC territory

- Round 2 Call-for-Projects: October 16 - December 16, 2018
- Award Funding: March - May 2019
- Available Funding: \$10.8 million

Prop 1 for Lower L.A. River Corridor

- Open Call for projects: Started September 16, 2018
- Award Funding: Quarterly until funding is expended (starting January 2019)
- Available Funding: \$41.4 million (see funding categories)

- **Competitive Grant Applications:** 1.) Multi-benefit projects (e.g. preservation of natural resources, trails access improvements, educational, natural based play infrastructure, interpretive programming), 2.) Shovel ready projects (advanced in permitting and environmental process), 3.) Projects with matching funds, 4.) Projects serving disadvantaged communities.
- Up to 10% of the funds available may be allocated to support **planning-related** applications.
- **Eligible Applicants:** Public Agencies, Cities, Counties, JPAs, Nonprofit Organization (501c3), and Tribes.



California Drought, Water, Parks, Climate, Coastal Protection, and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018 (Proposition 68) was approved by the voters on June 5, 2018 which authorizes \$4 billion in general obligation bonds to finance a water, parks, climate, coastal protection, and outdoor access for all program.

Purposes of Proposition 68 include: 1) developing urban recreation projects and habitat protection or restoration projects, 2) provide workforce education and training, contractor, and job opportunities for disadvantaged communities, 3) result in public benefit, 4) create new partnerships to expand access to diverse populations.

Prop 68 throughout RMC territory

- Funding Allocation: \$30 million

Prop 68 for Lower L.A. River Corridor

- Funding Allocation: \$37.5 million

- **Draft Grant Guidelines Released:** Posted October 12, 2018 (rmc.ca.gov)
- **30-day Comment Period:** October 20 - November 20, 2018
- **Grant Workshops:** November 13-20, 2018 (TBD)
- **Anticipated Call-for-Projects:** February 1, 2019
- **Award Funding:** Starting May 2019
- At least 20% of the funds available shall be allocated for **projects serving severely disadvantaged communities**.
- Up to 10% of the funds available may be allocated for **technical assistance** to disadvantaged communities.
- Up to 5% of the funds available pursuant to each chapter of this division shall be allocated for **community access projects**, including for: transportation, physical activity programming, resource interpretation, multilingual translation, natural science, workforce development and career pathways, education, parks, climate, etc.
- Up to 10% of the funds available may be allocated to support **planning-related** applications.

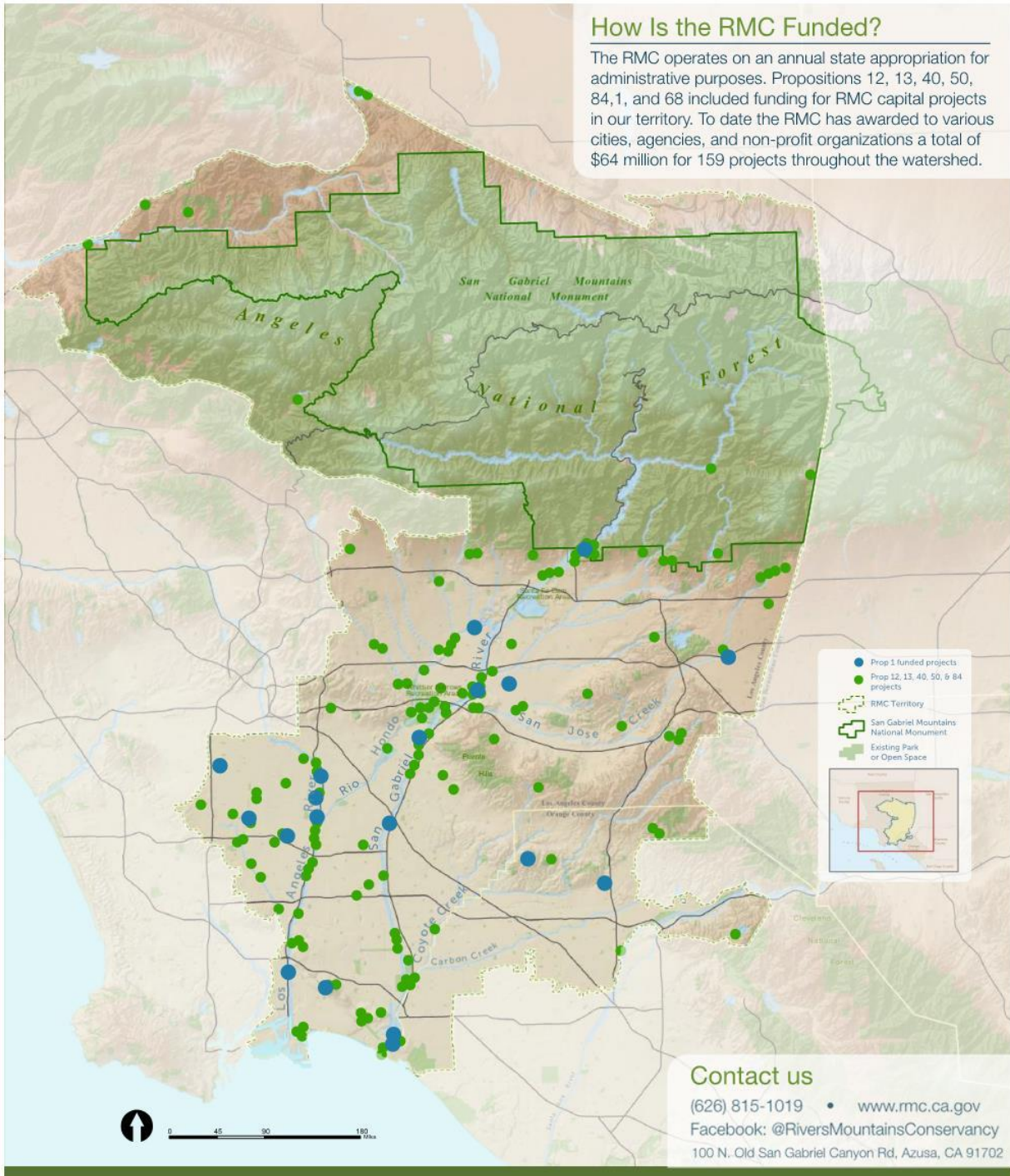
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The RMC operates on an annual state appropriation for administrative purposes. Propositions 12, 13, 40, 50, 84, 1, and 68 included funding for RMC capital projects in our territory. To date the RMC has awarded to various cities, agencies, and non-profit organizations a total of \$64 million for 159 projects throughout the watershed.



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FISCAL IMPACT:

As the information continues to be more defined over the next months, we will be seeking direction from the GWMA Board on potential projects and if GWMA will fund the cost of grant applications. Likely GWMA, on behalf of watershed groups or other regional project group(s), could be applying for several grants over the 2019 fiscal year.

RECOMMENDATION:

- a. Authorize staff to prepare and provide letters of support, if requested, to cities and agencies within the Gateway region of Southeastern Los Angeles County who will be applying for the grant applications for Round 2, Proposition 1 RMC Grant Program.
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