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Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority

#### **AGENDA**

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Thursday, February 14, 2019 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. Consent Calendar: (Acted as one item unless withdrawn by request)
  - a. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of January 10, 2019 (Enclosure)
  - b. Minutes of the Board Meeting of January 10, 2019 (Enclosure)
  - c. Approve the Warrant Register for February 2019 (Enclosure)
  - d. Receive and File the Updated Expenditures for Legal Counsel Services (Enclosure)
- 6. Consideration to Accept the Port of Long Beach as a GWMA JPA Member (Enclosure)
  - a. Approve the Port of Long Beach Membership to the GWMA
  - b. Approve membership dues of \$7,500 for FY 2018/19
- 7. Discussion/Action Regarding the Greater Los Angeles County Region Integrated Regional Water Management Disadvantaged Community Committee Chair and Ventura/Upper Santa Clara/Greater Los Angeles County IRWM Disadvantaged Community Involvement Program Co-Chair (Enclosure)
  - a. Identify a GWMA Board Member or Board Alternate to fulfill the position as Chair of GLAC DAC Committee and the co-Chair of the DACIP Task Force
- 8. Oral Status Report Update on GWMA Funding Strategy & Grants Program



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#### 9. 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
- 10. Executive Officer's Oral Report
- 11. Directors' Oral Comments/Reports
- 12. CLOSED SESSION
  - a. Public Employee Performance Evaluation Government Code Section 54957 Title: Executive Officer
  - b. Public Employee Appointment/Employment Government Code Section 54957
     Title: Executive Officer
- 13. Resume to Regular Meeting and Provide Closed Session Report
- 14. Adjournment to Regular Board Meeting on March 14, 2019

#### AGENDA ITEM: 5a

# MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA.

Chair Lisa Rapp called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Roll was called by Ms. Grace Kast.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Okina Dor Artesia
Jordan Monroe Avalon
Chau Vu Bell Gardens
Bernardo Iniguez (alternate) Bellflower
Mike O'Grady (alternate) Cerritos
Gina Nila Commerce
Christina Dixon (alternate) Huntington Park

Dan Mueller Downey Marlin Munoz La Mirada Lakewood Lisa Rapp Melissa You Long Beach Lorry Hempe Lynwood Julian Lee (alternate) Norwalk Adriana Figueroa Paramount Kenner Guerrero Pico Rivera Sarina Morales-Choate Santa Fe Springs South Gate Gladis Deras

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#### STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast Executive Officer

Traci Gleason Program Administrative Manager

James VernonPort of Long BeachDerwin DyCity of LakewoodCharlie HoneycuttCity of Signal Hill

Raffaty Woodridge City of La Habra Heights
Fabian Aoun City of Diamond Bar
Natalie Rivera City of Bellflower
Kevin Wattier Central Basin MWD

Richard Watson & Associates
Michelle Staffield John L Hunter and Associates

Desi Alvarez MCM Management

Gerry Green CWE

#### **ITEM 3- ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None.

#### ITEM 4 - ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

## ITEM 5 – MEASURE W - GATEWAY WATERSHED AREA STEERING COMMITTEES (LOWER LOS ANGELES AND LOWER SAN GABRIEL)

In November of 2018, LA County voters voted in favor of Measure W, the Safe Clean Water Program, which is a parcel tax that would increase Los Angeles County's local water supply, improve water quality, and invest in making communities greener and more livable.

Mr. Matthew Frary from Los Angeles County Flood Control District provided a presentation regarding Measure W's Implementation Schedule. There are three programs, totaling in the amount of approximately \$300M annually, to be implemented: Regional, Municipal, and Flood Control District. Mr. Frary reviewed the anticipated timeline for implementation of the three programs.

Mr. Richard Watson, of Richard Watson & Associates, provided a presentation of the Gateway Region Watershed Area Steering Committee Membership and Role. Mr. Watson reviewed the steering committee structure in relation to WMP/EWMP Participation. The Committee will have 17 members, with each member having one equally weighted vote. There will be: seven seats designated for municipalities located within the watershed area, five seats for agency stakeholder representatives, and five seats for community stakeholders. Each member

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can assign an alternate. Mr. Watson provarea steering committees.	vided an overview of the responsibilities of the watershed	
C	January 17, 2019, at the City of Lakewood to self-select ver San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Watershed Area	
The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m on January 10, 2019.	, to the regular board meeting scheduled at 12:00 p.m.,	
Lisa Ann Rapp, Board Chair	 Date	

#### AGENDA ITEM: 5b

## MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD

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Chair Lisa Rapp called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. Roll was called by Ms. Grace Kast and a quorum of the Board was declared.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Okina Dor Artesia
Jordan Monroe Avalon
Chau Vu Bell Gardens
Bernardo Iniguez (alternate) Bellflower

Tammy Hierlihy Central Basin MWD

Mike O'Grady (alternate)

Aaron Hernandez-Torres

Gina Nila

Commerce

Christina Dixon (alternate)

Huntington Park

Dan Mueller Downey Marlin Munoz La Mirada Lisa Rapp Lakewood Melissa You Long Beach Lorry Hempe Lynwood Cecilia Amaya Montebello Julian Lee (alternate) Norwalk Adriana Figueroa Paramount Kenner Guerrero Pico Rivera Sarina Morales-Choate Santa Fe Springs Hannah Shin-Heydorn Signal Hill South Gate Gladis Deras Claudia Arellano (alternate) Vernon

Phuong Nguyen (alternate)

Esther Rojas Water Replenishment District

Whittier

#### STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast Executive Officer

Traci Gleason Program Administrative Manager

Virginia Fowler
Jacqui Koontz
Downey Resident
Central Basin MWD
Jason Wen
City of Lakewood
Port of Long Beach
Bill Minasian
Paramount Resident

#### ITEM 3- ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

#### ITEM 4 - ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

#### <u>ITEM 5 - CONSENT CALENDAR</u>

Director Mueller entered at 12:15 p.m.

Director Mueller requested a correction in the board members present list which needs to show Director Dixon from Huntington Park and Director Mueller from Downey.

Director Chau Vu motioned to approve the consent calendar with that correction. The motion was seconded by Director Gina Nila and was approved by the following voice vote:

AYES: Dor, Monroe, Vu, Iniguez, Hierlihy, O'Grady, Nila, Mueller, Dixon,

Munoz, Rapp, You, Hempe, Lee, Figueroa, Guerrero, Morales-

Choate, Shin-Heydorn, Arellano, Nguyen, Rojas.

NOES: None.

**ABSTAIN:** Minutes Only – Amaya, Deras.

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

Director Hernandez-Torres entered at 12:27 p.m.

Executive Officer Kast provided a brief summary of the Proposition 1 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Grant Program. Approximately \$34.3 million will be made available for the first round of funding for the Ventura/Upper Santa Clara and Great LA Regions, with an additional \$3.4 million designated for projects benefitting disadvantaged

communities. The Draft Proposal Solicitation Package was issued in October 2018. The final Proposal Solicitation Package has not been released.

A call for projects to GWMA members was sent out via email on December 12, 2018. The solicitation was a call to nominate projects for the IRWM program under the Greater LA IRWM process. The first step for project selection is to nominate projects to the Lower San Gabriel/Lower Los Angeles IRWM steering committee. Ms. Kast reminded the board that they had previously voted to approve up to five projects which could be considered for submission and for payment of application costs by GWMA.

GWMA Staff received eight projects for nomination. She noted that all projects are Disadvantaged Community Projects.

Project Title	Implementing Agency		
Central Basin Customer Conversions for DAC Communities	Central Basin Water District		
Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment	City of Long Beach		
Lynwood City Park	City of Lynwood		
Yvonne Burke-John D. Ham Park	City of Lynwood		
State Street Corridor	City of Lynwood		
Catalina (Avalon) Desalination Plant 2	City of Avalon/SCE		
Catalina (Avalon) Desalination Storage & Distribution	City of Avalon/SCE		
Enhancements			
Catalina (Avalon) Salt Water Well Enhancements	City of Avalon/SCE		

Following questions and answers about the projects, Director Gina Nila motioned to nominate the following projects to be brought forward to the IRWM steering committee for the 2018 Proposition 1 IRWM Grant Program, Round 1:

Project Title	Implementing Agency
Central Basin Customer Conversions for DAC Communities	Central Basin Water District
Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment	City of Long Beach
State Street Corridor	City of Lynwood
Catalina (Avalon) Desalination Storage & Distribution	City of Avalon/SCE
Enhancements	

Director Lorry Hempe seconded the motion.

AYES: Dor, Monroe, Vu, Iniguez, Hierlihy, O'Grady, Nila, Hernandez-

Torres, Mueller, Dixon, Munoz, Rapp, You, Hempe, Amaya, Lee, Figueroa, Guerrero, Morales-Choate, Shin-Heydorn, Deras, Arellano,

Nguyen.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: Rojas.

ITEM 7 - DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING ADMINISTRATION AND COST SHARING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COORDINATED COMPLIANCE, MONITORING AND REPORTING PLAN FOR THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL AND LOS ANGELES AND LONG BEACH HARBORS WATER TOXIC POLLUTANTS TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS

Ms. Kast reported that in April of 2014, GWMA entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Cities of Bellflower, Lakewood, Long Beach, Paramount, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Signal Hill and Los Angeles, acting by and through its board of harbor commissioners, the County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County Flood Control District and the Port of Long Beach. She noted that the MOU is set to expire in April 2019 and that the new draft MOU is materially similar to the current MOU. Mr. Nicholas Ghirelli, GWMA's general counsel, indicated that the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board is currently in the process of developing a new MS4 Permit for Los Angeles County and possibly reopening the TMDL. He reported that the new draft MOU includes language that would authorize the GWMA and the permittees to reconsider the cost-share obligations of each permittee if the MS4 Permit and/or TMDL are amended during the MOU's term. He concluded by stating that the existing agreements with Individual Permittees to cost share and participate in the coordinated compliance, monitoring and reporting plan is also set to expire in April 2019.

Director Adriana Figueroa motioned to approve for execution by the Chair, the MOU for administration and cost sharing for implementation of the coordinated compliance, monitoring and reporting plan for the Dominguez Channel and Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors Waters Toxic Pollutants Total Maximum Daily Loads, contingent upon non-material changes approved by legal counsel; and approve the agreement template between GWMA and Individual or General National Discharge Elimination System Permit Holders, and authorize the Chair to execute agreements, contingent upon non-material changes approved by legal counsel.

Director Bernardo Iniguez seconded the motion.

AYES: Dor, Monroe, Vu, Iniguez, Hierlihy, O'Grady, Nila, Hernandez-

Torres, Mueller, Dixon, Munoz, Rapp, You, Hempe, Amaya, Lee, Figueroa, Guerrero, Morales-Choate, Shin-Heydorn, Deras, Arellano,

Nguyen, Rojas.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

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Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group		
Director Chau Vu reported the City of Bell Gardens awarded a contract for the preparation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) environmental document and design of John Anson Ford Park.		
Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group		
None.		
Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group		
None.		
Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group		
None.		
ITEM 9 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S ORAL REPORT		
None.		
ITEM 10 – DIRECTORS' ORAL COMMENTS/REPORT		
None.		
The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.		

The next Board Meeting of the Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority will be on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey

Date

Avenue, Paramount, CA.

Lisa A. Rapp, Chair



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#### AGENDA ITEM 5c - Approve the Warrant Register for February 2019

#### **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/Accounting Manager of the Gateway Water Management Authority, upon Board Approval.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The Warrant Register for expenditures dated February 2019 in the amount of \$1,062,076.98 is submitted for approval. Invoices and supporting documentation are available for review at the office of the GWMA.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Warrant Registers total \$1,062,076.98. Funds to cover payment are available in the GWMA budget.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the Warrant Register for February 2019.



#### WARRANT REGISTER DISBURSEMENT JOURNAL FEBRUARY 2019

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2/1/2019 City of F 1/10/2019 Civiltec		4020	Office Rent for January 2019	s	351.51
1/10/2019 Civiltec	of Paramount	4034	Office Rent for February 2019	s	351.51
	of Paramount	4042	Meeting Expense Reimbursement (Meeting Date: 1/10/19)	\$	47.23
2/1/2019 Clifton I	tec		Advanced Water Meter Replacement (Services through 12/31/18)	s	1,005.00
	on Larson Allen	2008591	Financial Services Performed from 1/1/19 - 1/31/19	s	1,500.00
12/23/2018 Fedak 8	ak & Brown	12-23-18	FY 2017/2018 Audit Services Performed in December 2018	s	1,350.00
1/28/2019 Fedak 8	ak & Brown	01-28-19	FY 2017/2018 Audit Services Performed in January 2019	s	1,110.00
1/30/2019 Gatewa	way Cities Council of Governments	01-30-19	Office supplies	s	100.00
1/17/2019 Joe A. 0	A. Gonsalves & Son	157131	Legislative Advocacy (Services through 2/1/19-2/28/19)	s	2,083.00
1/9/2019 John L.	L. Hunter and Associates	GANPSG1218	LSGR WMP Implementation (Services from 11/1/18 - 12/31/18)	s	101,810.15
1/3/2019 John L.	L. Hunter and Associates	BGFPP1118	Ford Park Project (Services from 11/1/18-11/30/18)	\$	632.50
2/4/2019 Koa Coi	Consulting	K114-01-10	COG Water-Related Coordination Activities and Executive Officer Services	s	31,673,36
1/17/2019 Richard	ards Watson Gershon	220221	General Legal Services through December 31, 2018	s	112.50
1/17/2019 Richard	ards Watson Gershon	220222	Harbor Toxic Pollutants TMDL MOU (Downstream) Legal Services through December 31, 2018	s	1,800.00
1/15/2019 Richard	ard Watson & Associates		Development and Implementation of WMP & Implementation of CIMP for Los Cerritos Channel (Services for December 2018)	s	56,055.10
1/7/2019 Rodger	ger's Catering	2025200	Catering for Board Meeting (Meeting Date: 1/10/19)	s	394.20

Reviewed and Approved by:

Kelli Tunnicliff, GWMA Secretary and Treasurer

(email)

Total \$ 1,062,076.98

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### AGENDA ITEM 5d - 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
\$ 11,077.02	Expenditures for Legal Counsel services through December 2018
\$ 48,922.98	Remaining budget amount available through June 30, 2019

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The total expenditures for Legal Counsel services for FY 2018/2019 through December 2018 total \$11,077.02. 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 6 - Consideration to Accept the Port of Long Beach as a GWMA Joint Powers Authority Member

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Port of Long Beach has expressed its desire to join GWMA by passing a resolution and approving the JPA agreement on February 11, 2019.

For full membership acceptance, GWMA requires a super-majority vote of the Board. If approved, the Port of Long Beach's membership will be effective upon approval of the GWMA Board.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Port of Long Beach will participate as a full-paying, voting member, which will result in additional appropriations paid to GWMA annually. For FY 2018/19, they have requested consideration to pay the reduced amount of \$7,500.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- a. Approve the Port of Long Beach membership to the GWMA.
- b. Approve membership dues of \$7,500 for FY 2018/19.



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AGENDA ITEM 7 - Greater Los Angeles County (GLAC) Region Integrated
Regional Water Management (IRWM) Disadvantaged
Community (DAC) Committee Chair and Ventura/Upper Santa
Clara/GLAC IRWM Disadvantaged Community Involvement
Program (DACIP) Co-Chair

#### **SUMMARY:**

In 2016/17, the LA County/Ventura/Upper Santa Clara Funding Area (3 regions) applied for a grant from the Dept. of Water Resources in the amount of \$9.8M for an area-wide Disadvantaged Community Involvement Program ("DACIP"). The funding area was awarded the grant in 2018. Ms. Grace J. Kast served as the Chair of the GLAC DAC Committee and the co-Chair of the DACIP Task Force during the grant application and award process through June 30, 2018. Due to the expiration of the contract between GWMA and GK Consulting for this specific scope, Ms. Grace Kast resigned from both groups.

Since that time, the GLAC DAC Committee, the DACIP Task Force and the LA County Flood Control District have requested that GWMA continue to provide the services of a committee chair and program co-chair until the \$9.8M grant implementation is complete in 2021.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

At its July 27, 2016 meeting, the Greater LA IRWM Leadership Committee voted to appoint two representatives (DAC Committee Chair and LACFCD) to the newly formed Disadvantaged Community Involvement Program (DACIP) Committee made up of two representatives from each of the three regions in the funding area. The GLAC IRWM DAC Committee is responsible for overseeing the disbursement of these funds.

The members of the GLAC IRWM DAC Committee, LA/Ventura DAC Involvement Program Task Force, the County of LA Flood Control District, and the GLAC IRWM Leadership Committee and members of the GWMA Board have voiced their support for a GWMA representative to step back into the role as Chair of GLAC DAC Committee and the co-Chair of the DACIP Task Force. This will help to ensure strong representation and equitable distribution of funds and resources for the Gateway Region as well as the Greater LA Region's DAC Communities.

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#### **Key Program Elements**

- 1. DACIP was approved by voters as part of Proposition 1 in 2014. DACIP is under the State's Integrated Regional Water Management "IRWM" Program administered by the Dept. of Water Resources "DWR" and provides \$9.8M towards program implementation over three years.
- 2. Disadvantaged Communities "DACs" include economically distressed, underrepresented communities and/or populations with less than 80% of the State median household income.
- 3. Key DACIP objectives are:
  - a. "Work collaboratively to involve DACs, community-based organizations, and stakeholders in IRWM planning efforts to ensure balanced access and opportunity for participation in the IRWM planning process."
  - b. "Increase the understanding, and where necessary, identify the water management needs of DACs on a Funding Area basis."
  - c. "Develop strategies and long-term solutions that appropriately address the identified DAC water management needs."

#### 4. Key DACIP Goals:

- a. Strengthen relationships and engagement with DACs and develop long-term working relationships.
- d. Identify new DACs and engage them in relationships and opportunities.
- e. Support and engage DACs in watershed planning, identify water-related needs, and ultimately work together to assist them in developing needed project plans.
- f. Assist/Support DACs in securing potential State and/or local funding, if and when available.
- 5. DACIP jurisdiction includes three IRWM Regions: Greater LA County, Upper Santa Clara, and Ventura County.
- 6. Greater LA County "GLAC" is the largest IRWM region with 87 cities, "GLAC" includes 9.8M residents of which 42% fall into the DAC category.
- 7. Because the GLAC IRWM region is so large, it is divided into 5 sub-regions: 1) South Bay; 2) Upper Los Angeles River; 3) Lower San Gabriel-Lower Los Angeles River; 4) Upper San Gabriel/Rio Hondo; and 5) North Santa Monica Bay. All have DACs except for North Santa Monica Bay.
- 8. Underrepresented communities that are not captured by census include Native American tribal members, homeless people and migrant and resident farmworkers. This program will attempt to identify and involve them in this program in addition to the previously identified DACs.

- 9. Funds from the \$9.8M grant can be spent on:
  - a. Needs Assessment (State requirement)
  - b. Community Outreach
  - c. Education
  - d. Facilitation
  - e. Technical Assistance
  - f. Project Development
  - g. Site Assessment
  - h. Engagement in IRWM Efforts
  - i. Enhancement of DAC aspects in IRWM Plans
  - i. Governance Structure

#### Program Structure and Representation

- 10. In 2016, the GLAC IRWM Leadership created the GLAC DAC Committee to represent all five sub-regions. The GLAC DAC Chair's role was to offer leadership and organize the group, request full participation and representation from each sub-region and include NGOs on the committee.
- 11.DWR required that all three regions work together under one grant agreement to implement the DACIP program.
- 12.LA County was asked to administer the DACIP grant on behalf of all three regions;
- 13. In 2016, the DACIP Task Force was also formed in response to the 3-region DACIP program.
- 14. DACIP Task Force includes two representatives from each region to collaborate, identify DAC needs, equitably distribute funds in response to regional needs.
- 15. The GLAC DAC Chair is one of two representatives from the GLAC region. The other representative is from the LA County Flood Control District.
- 16. GLAC DAC Committee roles: 1) Oversee, participate and provide guidance to GLAC DACIP Task Force Representatives (GLAC DAC Chair and County Rep) in relation to sub-regional needs (i.e., help identify DACs and NGOs, advice for outreach, oversight on allocation of funds and expenditures, as needed, etc); and 2) Provide information to the GLAC IRWM Leadership Committee; 3) Give presentations, if requested.
- 17.DACIP Task Force roles: 1) Oversee RFP process and recommend selections; 2) Oversee work of the regional project managers and consultants; 3) coordinate funding allocations between regions based upon identified needs as the program rolls out over 3 years; and 4) Oversee the entire program and report to DWR as needed; 5) give presentations as needed.

#### **DACIP Schedule**

- 18. DACIP is a 3-year grant which officially started Q2 2018.
- 19. DACIP started with development of digital and print engagement/involvement materials with translation (Cal State University is the consultant for this task).
- 20. DACIP will process setting up workshops, door-to-door meet and greets, social media, presentations at local community meetings.

#### **Gateway Region**

- 21. Gateway Region is identified as the Lower San Gabriel-Lower Los Angeles Rivers Region per the IRWM guidelines.
- 22. Gateway Region includes 27 cities and unincorporated areas, many of which have a small or large DAC community population.

As the GLAC DAC Chair and the co-Chair of the DACIP Committee, it is anticipated that a maximum of 15 hours per month will be needed to fulfill the responsibilities of this scope of work. Additionally, meetings may be held throughout the Greater LA, Ventura and/or Santa Clarita areas.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

No fiscal impact if a GWMA Board Member or Board Alternate volunteers to serve as the GLAC DAC Chair and the Ventura/Upper Santa Clara/Greater LA DACIP Co-Chair.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

a. Identify a GWMA Board Member or Board Alternate to fulfill the position as Chair of GLAC DAC Committee and the co-Chair of the DACIP Task Force.

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