# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**JUNE 30, 2014** 

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional
Water Management Joint Powers Authority
Signal Hill, California

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority (the Authority) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Authority as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the basic financial statements, effective July 1, 2013, the Authority adopted the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Matters

Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on page 18 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated October 22, 2015, on our consideration of the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Authority's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Moss, Levy & Hartzheim LLP Culver City, California October 22, 2015

# STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2014

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS:	
Cash and investments	\$ 476,205
Accounts receivable	14,803
Prepaid expenses	7,662
Total assets	498,670
LIABILITIES:	91,023
Accounts payable	91,023
Total liabilities	91,023
NET POSITION:	
Unrestricted	\$ 407,647

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2014

		·	Program Revenue	es	Net (Expense) Revenue and Change in Net Position
		Charges for	Operating Grants and	Capital Grants and	Governmental
	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities
Governmental activities: Regional water management	\$ 447,726	\$ 329,649	\$ 153,146	\$ -	\$ 35,069
	General revenues: Investment inco	me			6,764
Total general revenue			6,764		
Change in net position			41,833		
Net position at beginning of fiscal year			365,814		
	Net position at end	l of fiscal year			\$ 407,647

# BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUND

ASSETS:	General Fund	
Cash and investments Accounts receivable Prepaid expenses	\$	476,205 14,803 7,662
Total assets	\$	498,670
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE:		
Liabilities Accounts payable	\$	91,023
Total liabilities		91,023
Fund balance Unassigned	***************************************	407,647
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	498,670

# RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

Fund balance for the governmental fund	\$ 407,647
Net position of governmental activities	\$ 407,647

# STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUND

		General Fund
Revenues:	_	
General membership fees	\$	329,649
Intergovernmental revenues		153,146
Investment income	<del>,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,</del>	6,764
Total revenues		489,559
Expenditures:		
Professional fees		212,094
Administrative		33,906
Contract services		201,726
Total expenditures	***************************************	447,726
Net Change in Fund Balance		41,833
Fund balance at beginning of fiscal year		365,814
Fund balance at end of fiscal year	\$	407,647

# RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUND TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Net change in fund balance - governmental fund		41,833
Change in net position of governmental activities	_\$	41,833

# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS

	Private Purpose Trust Funds	
Assets:  Cash and investments Accounts receivable Grant receivable	\$	2,337,450 120,323 61,354
Total assets	***************************************	2,519,127
Liabilities: Accounts payable	***************************************	1,130,462
Total liabilities		1,130,462
Deferred Inflows of Resources Deferred revenue	***************************************	71,584
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u></u>	71,584
Net Position: Unassigned		1,317,081

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUND

	Private Purpose  Trust Funds
Additions:  Los Angeles River Upper Reach	\$ 597,850
Los Cerritos Channel	728,053
Lower Los Angeles River	663,579
Coyote Creek (LSGR)	831,014
Total additions	2,820,496
Deductions:	
Los Angeles River Upper Reach	650,269
Los Cerritos Channel	568,289
Lower Los Angeles River	455,705
Coyote Creek (LSGR)	545,358
Harbor Toxic	24,441
Total deductions	2,244,062
Change in net position	576,434
Net Position at beginning of fiscal year	740,647
Net Position at end of fiscal year	\$ 1,317,081

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2014

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

## a. The Organization:

In July 2007, the Southeast Water Coalition and the Cities of Cerritos, Downey, Lakewood, Long Beach, Norwalk, Paramount, Pico River, Santa Fe Springs, Signal Hill, South Gate, et al. entered into a joint powers agreement creating the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority (the Authority). The purpose of the agreement is to create a regional water management group, as defined in and authorized by the IRWMPA, in order to create a regional water resources management plan that will protect and enhance regional water supplies, and to otherwise further the purposes of the Integrated Regional Water Management Powers Authority (IRWMPA), with respect to the Members' jurisdictional areas. The Authority can also perform other regional responsibilities for water development and management.

The Authority will prepare and/or adopt a regional plan for the management of water resources, and for the implementation and operation of qualified projects or programs, and/or the preparation of qualified reports and studies, as those quoted terms are defined in the IRWMPA. The regional water resources management plan may more specifically address any of the matters set forth in California Water Code Section 10540(c) including, but not limited to, the following: ground water management planning; urban water management planning; the preparation of a water supply assessment; the planning, construction or modification of a flood management project, water recycling project, domestic water supply facility to meet safe drinking water standards, or a drainage water management unit; and/or the implementation of a water conservation program. The Authority may also exercise any other statutory authority which may now exist or be subsequently enacted to deal with ground water, storm water, water recharge, water recycling, water supply, water drainage, water conservation or any related urban water management subject within the purview of local or regional water agencies.

The agreement has since been amended to add new members. The Authority's current members are the Central Basin Municipal Water District, Long Beach Water Department and the Cities of Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Cerritos, Commerce, Downey, La Mirada, Lakewood, Long Beach, Lynwood, Norwalk, Paramount, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Signal Hill, South Gate, Vernon and Whittier.

The term of the agreement continues until no less than three members remain, or until terminated by unanimous consent, provided that all liabilities of the Authority have been satisfied and all assets have been distributed. Upon termination of the agreement, the assets shall be distributed in a manner determined by a super-majority vote of the Board of Directors.

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2014

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):

#### b. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting:

The government-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the economic resources measurement focus, all assets and deferred outflows, and liabilities and deferred inflows (whether current or noncurrent) associated with their activity are reported. Operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the current financial resources measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. The reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered to be a measure of "available spendable resources". Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred.

The Authority reports the following major governmental fund:

General Fund- The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Authority. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Additionally, the City reports the following fund type:

<u>Private Purpose Trust Funds</u>- used to account for custodial responsibilities for the watershed projects. Private purpose trust funds are accounted for on an *economic resources* measurement focus and full accrual basis of accounting.

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2014

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):

#### c. Cash and Investments:

The Authority's cash and investments are pooled with the City of Signal Hill's cash and investments. Investments are stated at fair value (quoted market price or the best available estimate thereof). See the City's Annual Financial Report for more information on invested cash.

#### d. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources:

Pursuant to GASB Statement Nos. 63 and 65, the Authority recognizes deferred outflows and inflows of resources. Deferred outflow and inflow of resources are defined as a consumption or resource of net position by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. The deferred inflows include deferred revenues.

### e. Fund Equity:

Fund balance is reported in the fund statements as follows:

<u>Unassigned Fund Balance</u> - This classification includes the remaining spendable amounts which are not restricted, committed, assigned or nonspendable.

It is the Authority's policy that restricted resources will be applied first, followed by (in order of application) committed, assigned and unassigned resources, in the absence of a formal policy adopted by the Board of Directors.

GASB Statement No. 63 requires that the difference between assets added to the deferred outflows of resources and liabilities added to the deferred inflows of resources be reported as net position.

Net Position is divided into three captions under GASB Statement No. 34. These captions apply only to Net Position as determined at the Government-wide and fiduciary fund level, and are described below:

Net investment in capital assets describes the portion of Net Position which is represented by the current net book value of the Authority's capital assets, less the outstanding balance of any debt issued to finance these capital assets.

Restricted describes the portion of Net Position which is restricted as to use by the terms and conditions of agreements with outside parties, governmental regulations, laws, or other restrictions which the Authority cannot unilaterally alter.

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2014

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):

### e. Fund Equity (Continued):

Restricted net position is net position that is subject to constraints either (1) externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulation of other governments or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. There was no net position at June 30, 2014 that was restricted by enabling legislation.

Unrestricted describes the portion of Net Position which is not restricted as to use.

#### f. Estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### g. New Accounting Pronouncements

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 65

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, the District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 65, "Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities." This Statement is effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2012. The objective of this Statement is to establish accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities. Implementation of the GASB Statement No. 65 did have an impact on the District's financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014 (see Note 1d).

## 2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS:

#### Cash and Investments

Cash and investments held at June 30, 2014 consisted of the following:

Government-wide statement of net position:

Equity in City of Signal Hill cash and investment pool \$ 476,205 Fiduciary fund statement of net position:

Equity in City of Signal Hill cash and investment pool 2,337,450

Total \$ 2,813,655

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2014

## 2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED):

### Equity in Cash and Investment Pool of the City of Signal Hill

The Authority does not have a separate bank account; however, the Authority's cash and investments are maintained in an investment pool managed by the City of Signal Hill. The Authority is a voluntary participant in that pool. This pool is governed by, and under the regulatory oversight of, the Investment Policy adopted by the City Council of the City of Signal Hill. The Authority has not adopted an investment policy separate from that of the City of Signal Hill. The fair value of The Authority's investment in this pool is reported in the accompanying financial statements at amounts based upon the Authority's pro-rata share of the fair value calculated by the City for the entire City portfolio. The balance available for withdrawal is based on the accounting records maintained by the City, which are recorded on an original cost basis.

### Disclosures Relating to Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment is, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. One of the ways that the City of Signal Hill manages its exposure to interest rate risk is by purchasing a combination of shorter term and longer term investments and by timing cash flows from maturities so that a portion of the portfolio is maturing or coming close to maturity evenly over time as necessary to provide the cash flow and liquidity needed for operations.

Information about the Authority's exposure to interest rate risk as a result of its equity in the cash and investment pool of the City of Signal Hill is provided by disclosures in the notes to the basic financial statements of the City of Signal Hill that shows the distribution of the City's investments by maturity.

#### Disclosures Relating to Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. Minimum ratings required by (where applicable) the California Government Code and the City of Signal Hill's Investment Policy and the actual ratings as of fiscal year-end for each investment type are provided by disclosures in the notes to the basic financial statements of the City of Signal Hill.

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2014

### 2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED):

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

Investments in any one issuer (other than U.S. Treasury securities, mutual funds and investment pools) that represent 5% or more of total investments for the entire entity (or for each separate major fund or for other governmental funds in the aggregate) are disclosed in the notes to the basic financial statements of the City of Signal Hill.

#### Custodial Credit Risk

The Authority does not have any significant certificates of deposit or demand accounts that are subject to custodial credit risk disclosure (as defined by GASB Statement No. 40). The Authority does not have direct investments in securities subject to custodial credit risk disclosure (as defined by GASB Statement No. 40).

## 3. DEFERRED REVENUE:

At June 30, 2014, components of deferred revenue in the fund financial statements were as follows:

Fiduciary Fund

Member Contribution to Watershed Activity

\$ 71,584

Total \$ 71,584

#### 4. EXCESS EXPENDITURES:

There were no expenditures in excess of appropriations within the general fund for the fiscal year.

#### 5. COMMITMENTS:

In 2014, several Memorandums of Understanding were executed with various watershed groups to provide contractual and fiduciary services. The final IRWM Plan was adopted by GWMA during FY 2012/13, but final expenditures and reimbursements were experienced during FY 2013/14 to support member-adoptions of the Plan and the coordination with the State Department of Water Resources for preparation of upcoming grant cycles.

## NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2014

## 6. GENERAL BUDGET POLICIES:

The Board of Directors adopts an annual budget, which begins on July 1. Annual appropriations are approved by the Board of Directors prior to the beginning of each year or shortly thereafter. All appropriations lapse at year-end. The Board of Directors has the legal authority to amend the budget at any time during the fiscal year.

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# **BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE**

# GENERAL FUND

	Budgeted	d Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Revenues:				
General membership fees	\$ 307,000	\$ 307,000	\$ 329,649	\$ 22,649
Intergovernmental revenues	244,721	244,721	153,146	(91,575)
Investment income	551,721	551,721	6,764	(544,957)
Total Revenues	1,103,442	1,103,442	489,559	(613,883)
Expenditures:				
Professional services	264,000	264,000	212,094	51,906
Administrative	107,000	107,000	33,906	73,094
Contract services	242,000	242,000	201,726	40,274
Total Expenditures	613,000	613,000	447,726	165,274
Net Change in Fund Balance	490,442	490,442	41,833	(448,609)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Fiscal Year	365,814	365,814	365,814	
Fund Balance - End of Fiscal Year	\$ 856,256	\$ 856,256	\$ 407,647	\$ (448,609)