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17	Included Actions:	ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN	
18	Los Angeles County Waterworks District	WATER AGENCY'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION IN LIMINE OF ROSAMOND	
19	No. 40 vs. Diamond Farming Company, a corporation, Superior Court of California,	COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT	
20	County of Los Angeles, Case No. BC325201;	Trial Date: May 28, 2013	
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23	County of Kern, Case No. S-1500-CV-254-348;		
24	Wm. Bolthouse Farms, Inc. vs. City of		
25	Lancaster, Diamond Farming Company, a corporation, vs. City of Lancaster, Diamond		
26	Farming Company, a corporation vs.		
27	Palmdale Water District, Superior Court of California, County of Riverside, Case Nos.		
20	RIC 353840, RIC 344436, RIC 344668.		

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Cross-Complainant, the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency (AVEK), submits this Opposition to the motion *in limine* of Rosamond Community Services District (District) for an order: (1) excluding any evidence or argument that the District is not entitled to produce return flows from [AVEK imported water which it purchases], and (2) excluding any evidence or testimony contrary to or inconsistent with the return flow formula adopted by the court in the Phase III trial.

I.

INTRODUCTION

In its motion, the District argues that it is entitled to the return flows which results from the AVEK imported water purchased by the District. For the reasons indicated in Points II and III below, the District is wrong.

The District also argues that, in the Phase III trial, the Court decided the issue as to the percentage of safe yield attributable to imported water, and no further evidence or litigation should be permitted on that issue. For the following reasons and as set forth in Points IV, V, and VI below, AVEK respectfully disagrees:

- The Court's Orders preceding the Phase III trial did not inform the parties that a final determination would be made therein specific to the percentage of safe yield which is attributable to imported water. Accordingly, the parties who did not participate in the Phase III trial and have an interest in litigating that issue, were not provided with adequate notice of the Court's intention prior to commencement of the Phase III trial, if it then had such intention, to make a final determination in the Phase III trial as to the percentage of safe yield which is specifically attributable to return flows attributable to imported water. If not now afforded an opportunity to litigate that issue, the parties who did not participate in the Phase III trial and have an interest in litigating that issue (including AVEK), would be denied procedural due process.
- District No. 40's concurrently filed "Request for Judicial Notice of Trial Testimonies, Exhibits [etc.] in Phase Three Re Return Flows," is a tacit admission that the specific percentage of safe yield attributable to imported water has not yet been finally determined by the Court.

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• The Court's Ruling following the Phase III Trial succinctly notes that the percentages of return flows mentioned therein were "estimates" only.

II.

ROSAMOND MISINTERPRETS CITY OF SAN FERNANDO

The District claims that, under the reasoning in *City of Los Angeles v. City of San Fernando*, the District is entitled to the return flows resulting from AVEK imported water which the District purchases and sells to its customers.

As demonstrated in considerable detail in AVEK's own motion *in limine*, that is clearly **not** true. As shown therein, the relationship between MWD, Glendale and Burbank is markedly different than AVEK's relationship with the Public Water Suppliers in the case at bar; the cities of Burbank, Glendale, San Fernando, and other similarly situated cities, for all practical purposes were the MWD (See AVEK Mot. *In limine*, Point V, 12:1-16:6, incorporated herein by this reference).

The District also overlooks the following salient points:

- In City of San Fernando, MWD was not named as a party, and there is no evidence that MWD ever claimed return flows (undoubtedly because Glendale and Burbank were among MWD's founding "member agencies," with representatives sitting on MWD's Board).
- Analogously, regarding waters released and made available by the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, the Supreme Court in *City of Los Angeles v. City of Glendale* (1943) 23 Cal.2d 68, noted that:

The fact that this water was made available by the Los Angeles Flood Control District does not determine its ownership. **The district makes no claim to the water**.

.. the water abandoned by the district was subject to the [City of Los Angeles' pueblo] right.

(Id., at pp. 73-74; bold print added.)

Therefore, in City of San Fernando, the Metropolitan Water District was not a party to the action and, so far as can be determined, made no claim to return flows; and, in City of

Glendale, the Los Angeles Flood Control District likewise was not a party to the action, and made no claim to the water it released and abandoned.

In the case at bar, however, AVEK is both a party to the action and has consistently asserted its right to the return flows resulting from AVEK imported water. Therefore, in the way the District attempts to apply the *City of San Fernando* decision, it is completely distinguishable from the case at bar.¹

III.

CITY OF SANTA MARIA ALSO IS CLEARLY DISTINGUISHABLE

As noted above, the District also cites the decision in *City of Santa Maria v. Adam* (2012) 211 Cal.App.4th 266 ("*City of Santa Maria*") in support of its claim that the District is entitled to the return flows from AVEK imported water which the District purchases and distributes to its own customers.

The District misinterprets the holding in *City of Santa Maria*; like *City of San Fernando*, the facts in *City of Santa Maria* are clearly distinguishable from the facts involved in the case at bar. As demonstrated below, in *City of Santa Maria*, the SWP contractor (Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District ["the District"]) had years earlier "assigned" to Santa Maria a portion of the District's SWP "entitlement" – thereby converting Santa Maria into a SWP "entitlement" owner. As a SWP "entitlement" owner, Santa Maria was able to effectively direct and order the importation of SWP water and, accordingly, could appropriately be characterized as an "importer" of SWP water – which explains why the trial court's Judgment After Trial and the Court of Appeal's Opinion in *City of Santa Maria* both characterize Santa Maria as an "importer" entitled to the return flows from SWP water it caused to be imported.

¹ Of additional significance, the other two State Water Project Contractors in this action (Palmdale Water District and Littlerock Creek Irrigation District, who are usually aligned with the Public Water Suppliers), have noted in their "Joinder" that they also, "import water pursuant to their own State Water Project Contracts. As such, they are clearly the parties that own the return flows from the water they import." (Palmdale Joinder, 2:1-2.)

A. "WATER SUPPLY RETENTION" AGREEMENT

On or about June 25, 1985, the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (a SWP contractor; hereafter, "the District") entered into a Water Supply Retention Agreement with Santa Maria, giving Santa Maria the right to "retain" a portion of the District's SWP "entitlement." In its Resolution No. 820509 (a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 1 hereto), Santa Maria approved the First Amendment to the Water Retention Agreement which provides:

[Santa Maria] agrees to pay the DISTRICT the amount required to be paid by the DISTRICT under the State Water Contract to retain annual entitlement and capacity right of 11,300 acre feet and all rights associated therewith under the State Water Contract ("Retained Rights")...

B. "SANTA BARBARA WATER PURVEYORS AGENCY"

Santa Maria's Resolution No. 90-31 dated March 20, 1990 (a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 2) provides:

... on June 25, 1985, the City of Santa Maria entered into an agreement with the [District] designated "Water Supply Retention Agreement", Model I, 12/11/84, as amended by First, Second & Third Amendments, ("WSRA") and is, pursuant to the WSRA, one of the "Contractors" to which "Retained Rights" were assigned pursuant to the WSRA; and

... this entity is a member of the Santa Barbara Water Purveyor's Agency ("SBWPA"), a joint powers agency formed on November 16, 1982...

... Article 5(c) of the WSRA provides that the Contractors under the WSRA shall make all decisions relating to the retained rights and shall transmit those decisions to the District, who shall communicate them to the [DWR]...

1. The Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency ["SBWPA"] is hereby acknowledge, ratified, and designated as the entity referred to in Article 5(c) of the WSRA, as the organization through which the making and transmission of all decisions relative to the WSRA shall be made. [Bold print added.]

C. <u>DWR APPROVAL OF THE ASSIGNMENT</u>

Attached as Exhibit 3 hereto, is Santa Maria's January 15, 1991, Resolution No. 91-12, ratifying the SBWPA's Resolution No. 90-10, "regarding the approval by the State Department of Water Resources of the **Assignment of Rights** Embodied in the Water Supply Retention Agreements . . ." The SBWPA Resolution attached thereto notes:

... on July 1, 1989, Model I of the [WSRAs], which had previously been entered into by various members and associate members of the [SBWPA] ("Contractors") and [the

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1	District], became effective assigning the District's rights under the 1963 State Water Contract between the District and [DWR] to the contractors; and		
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3	Article 41 of the Water Supply Contract contemplates formal approval by DWR of the assignment of rights under the contract; and		
4	1. [T]he Contractors since entering into the WSRAs have exercised their rights under the agreements and have contracted with DWR through the District		
5	3. The Contractors hereby agree, pursuant to Article 3 c) of the WSRAs, to reimburse		
6 7	3. The Contractors hereby agree, pursuant to Article 3 c) of the WSRAs, to reimburse the District for all costs and expenses which the District becomes obligated to pay under the Water Supply Contract regarding the Contractors' retained rights [Bold print added.]		
8	DWR subsequently approved the aforesaid assignments. Accordingly, the public water		
9	purveyors, including Santa Maria, became the assignees and owners of specific SWP		
10	"entitlements;" and through the joint powers agency they established [SBWPA], they were able		
11	to direct and order the importation of SWP water.		
12	D. THIRD PARTY BENFICIARY STATUS AND FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITIES		
13	Attached as Exhibit 4 hereto is Santa Maria's September 3, 1991, Resolution No. 91-151,		
14	adopting SBWPA's Resolution #91-14 which notes:		
15 16	in 1983 the District entered into Water Supply Retention Agreements (WSRAs) with certain Water Purveyors (hereinafter the Water Purveyors which executed the WSRA's are referred to as "Contractors") transferring the District's rights under the SWP Contract to the Water Purveyors; and		
17	the status of the Water Purveyors as third party beneficiaries under the SWP		
18 19	Contract, and the role of District as a fiduciary for the Water Purveyors under that contract, was confirmed by the terms of the various WSRAs executed over the years by the District and the Contractors [Bold print added.]		
20	E. <u>WATER MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT</u>		
21	Attached as Exhibit A to Stipulation Exhibit F to the Judgment After Trial in City of		
22	Santa Maria, is a June 15, 2004, Water Management Agreement, which on pages 1 and 2		
23	thereof notes:		
24	E. The City [Santa Maria] and SCWC [Southern California Water Company] also each		
25	hold contracts to receive water from the State Water Project ("SWP Entitlement collectively, and "City SWP Entitlement" or "SCWC SWP Entitlement," individual		
26	Collectively, their contract entitlements total 18,350 acre-feet per year.		
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Therefore, by their stipulation, the stipulating parties in *City of Santa Maria* all agreed that the specified public water purveyors could be characterized as "importers" and receive the benefits of that status.

H. JUDGMENT AFTER TRIAL IN CITY OF SANTA MARIA

Based upon aforesaid assignments of SWP "entitlement" rights and, also, the parties' express Stipulation thereto, it is not surprising that the Court's Judgment After Trial in *City of Santa Maria* makes the following finding:

The City of Santa Maria and Golden State Water Company have a right to use the Basin for temporary storage and subsequent recapture of the Return Flows generated from their importation of State Water Project water. [4:13-15; bold print added.]

I. THE COURT OF APPEAL'S OPINION

Completing the circle and consistent with all of the foregoing, the Court of Appeal's Opinion in *City of Santa Maria* notes and finds:

... Most of the case was resolved by an agreement (Stipulation) among the Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation District (District), local cities and water companies (public water producers), and most of the owners of land overlying the Basin. The Stipulation... allocates the various components of the groundwater (native groundwater, return flows of imported water, and salvaged water) among the stipulating parties.

The trial court approved the Stipulation and made it part of the final judgment. .

[211 Cal.App.4th 266, 276; bold print added.]

For the foregoing reasons, *City of Santa Maria* is readily distinguishable from the case at bar, to wit: AVEK has not assigned or transferred to the Public Water Suppliers any portion of AVEK's SWP "entitlement." Consequently, the Public Water Suppliers do not own, and have not had assigned or transferred to them, any part of AVEK's SWP entitlement; therefore, they clearly are not SWP contractors or "importers" of SWP water.

Nor has AVEK contracted or "stipulated" to grant to the Public Water Suppliers the right to return flows from AVEK imported water.

While City of Santa Maria may provide some comfort to the Public Water Suppliers relating to their prescription claims (which will not be determined in the Phase IV trial), that decision provides them with absolutely no comfort or support relating to their claims to

ownership of return flows from AVEK imported water. To the contrary, *City of Santa Maria* expressly reaffirms the Supreme Court's rulings in *City of San Fernando* and *City of Glendale* that the party which actually "imports" foreign water into a basin is the party entitled to return flows resulting therefrom. In the case at bar, that party is AVEK!

IV.

DUE PROCESS

The Court's relevant Orders preceding the Phase III trial did not indicate that a final determination would be made therein as to the percentage of safe yield specifically attributable to imported water return flows. The Court's orders titled, ORDER AFTER CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE ON MARCH 22, 2010, and ORDER AFTER CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE ON MAY 6, 2010, each state the following:

In this third phase of trial, the Court will hear evidence to determine whether the basin, as previously defined by the Court in trial phases one and two, is in such overdraft and to determine whether there is a basis for the Court to exercise its equitable jurisdiction, including the implementation of a "physical solution," as prayed for by the public water provider parties. The public water providers have the burden of proof.

The Court . . . expects to hear evidence concerning total pumping and total recharge from all sources, with a further breakdown showing the amount of imported water on an annual basis.

(Copies of both Orders are attached as Exhibits 5 and 6 hereto.)

The foregoing demonstrates that the Court intended that the Phase III trial would determine: (1) whether the basin was in overdraft and, if so, the basin's safe yield; and (2) whether the Court should exercise its equitable jurisdiction to implement a physical solution. There was no clear indication that the Court intended to make a final determination in the Phase III trial as to the amount of safe yield which is specifically attributable to imported water return flows. Accordingly, the parties were not given adequate notice that the Court intended to make a final determination in the Phase III trial as to the amount of safe yield specifically attributable to imported water return flows.

An elementary and fundamental requirement of due process in any proceeding that is to be accorded finality is notice appropriate to the nature of the case and reasonably calculated, under all the circumstances, to apprise interested parties of the pendency of a matter to be determined. (*Malek v. Koshad* (2011) 200 Cal.App.4th 1540, 1547.)

Therefore, the parties who did not participate in the Phase III trial and have an interest in litigating that issue were not given adequate notice of the Court's intention, if it then had such intention, to make a final determination in the Phase III trial of the percentage of the safe yield which is specifically attributable to return flows attributable to imported water. If not now afforded an opportunity to litigate that issue, the parties who did not participate in the Phase III trial and have an interest in litigating that issue (including AVEK), would be denied due process.³

V.

REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE

District No. 40's concurrently filed "Request for Judicial Notice of Trial Testimonies, Exhibits [etc.] in Phase Three Re Return Flows," wherein it requests that the Court take judicial notice of numerous exhibits and trial testimony regarding the issue of return flows (Exhibit 7 hereto), is itself a tacit admission that the issue as to what percentage of safe yield is attributable to imported water return flows has not yet been finally determined by the Court.

VI.

THE PHASE III RULING REFERENCED "ESTIMATES" ONLY

The Court's Statement of Decision re Phase III Trial, repeatedly notes that the percentages noted therein as to imported water return flows are imprecise "estimates" only (St. Dec., 6:26-28 ["The Court recognizes the imprecision of the various estimates and the fact that

³ Among other things, AVEK's consultant, Robert Wagner, has opined as to the M&I assumed percentage of 39%, that the 11% component thereof for outdoor irrigation return flow is not supported and is overstated, and the 17% component thereof for septic disposal is also overstated but by a smaller amount. Accordingly, Mr. Wagner's deposition has now be scheduled for purposes of the Phase IV trial.

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an estimate by definition is imprecise"]; 8:4-5 ["the amount of hydro-conductivity between Basin areas was beyond the scope of the Phase III trial"]; and, 8:14-17 ["The Court finds that the supplemental safe yield of the Basin is 28,000 acre feet annually, based on estimated return flow percentages of 28.1% for municipal and industrial use, and 25% for agricultural use."]

Moreover, the data presented to the Court in 2011, may not be accurate with respect to the imported water return flow amounts or percentages during the Phase IV trial (*inter alia*, because the amount of imported water varies from year to year). In this connection, Quartz Hill's motion concedes that, "The return flows from importer water fluctuate every year, based upon the amount of water imported the prior year" (Mot., 5:22-23), and "[T]he amount of imported water will fluctuate annually" (Mot., 6:10).⁴

The Court should rely upon data and analyses which are most current to the date final judgment is entered in this action, or at least as of the conclusion of the Phase IV trial.

VII.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, AVEK respectfully submits that the Court should deny the motion *in limine* of Rosamond Community Services District.

Dated: April 19, 2013

BRUNICK, McELHANEY & KENNEDY

By:____

WILLIAM J. BRUNICK LELAND P. McELHANE

Attorneys for Cross-Complainar

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4 As noted in *City of Santa Maria*, fn. 11, "Any portion of Return Flows that is not used in a given Year shall not be carried over into the following year."

EXHIBIT 1

RESOLUTION NO. 82-509

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA APPROVING THE WATER SUPPLY RETENTION AGREEMENT/MODEL DRAFT II AND FIRST AMENDMENT THERETO AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR EXECUTION BY CERTAIN LOCAL WATER PURVEYORS

WHEREAS, on December 6, 1982 the Board of Directors of the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District approved "Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft II", dated November 16, 1982 with the attached "Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft I", dated November 16, 1982, with the insertion of Election Option Number 6, from Insert A, dated November 29, 1982, and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 1982 the Board of Directors of said District approved the First Amendment of Water Supply Retention Agreements, Model Drafts I and II, dated December 20, 1982, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of said District has, by its aforementioned actions, offered and made available for execution by the City of Santa Maria said "Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft II", with "Model Draft I" attached, each dated November 16, 1982, together with said First Amendment, dated December 20, 1982.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Santa Maria hereby resolves as follows:

- That the execution of said Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft II with Model Draft I attached, and said First Amendment thereto, will not directly or ultimately result in physical change in the environment and is therefore not a "project" under C.E.Q.A.
- 2. This Council approves said Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft II with Model Draft I attached, and the First Amendment thereto, in the form on file with the City Clerk and hereby authorizes the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute said Agreements and Amendment.
- 3. Obligations arising out of the execution of Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft II and the First Amendment thereto shall be funded by the City out of its "Municipal Waterworks Fund" as described at Santa Maria City Code Section 20-28.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Santa Maria held December 21 , 1982.

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ATTEST:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBAPA) ss.
CITY OF SANTA MARIA)

AYES:

Councilmen Jack Adam, Robert R. Cutler, Donald Shaw

and Curtis J. Tunnell.

NOES:

Mayor George S. Hobbs, Jr.

ABSENT:

None.

City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

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FIRST AMENDMENT TO

WATER SUPPLY RETENTION

AGREEMENTS, MODEL DRAFTS I AND II

RECITALS:	
CITY OF SANTA MARIA	("CONTRACTOR")
FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTR	ICT ("DISTRICT") and the
This Agreement is made between the SAI	

- A. On December 6, 1982, the Board of Directors of DISTRICT adopted Resolution No. 1266 approving "Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft II", dated 11/16/82 with the attached "Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft I", dated 11/16/82, with the insertion of election option number 6, from Insert A, dated 11/29/82.
- B. DISTRICT and CONTRACTORS now wish to amend said Model Drafts I and II.
- NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. Article 2(a) of Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model
 Draft I, 11/16/82, is amended to read as follows:
 - (a) The CONTRACTOR agrees to pay the DISTRICT the amount required to be paid by the DISTRICT under the State Water Contract to retain annual entitlement and capacity right of 11,300 acre feet and all rights associated therewith under the State Water Contract ("Retained Rights") commencing with the July 1, 1983 payments. The amount required to be paid by the DISTRICT shall mean the amount that STATE bills the DISTRICT under the State Water Contract after STATE'S deduction of any credits or payments due to DISTRICT or CONTRACTORS' protest of payments, the transfer or termination of DISTRICT'S or CONTRACTOR'S entitlement and/or capacity, or other credits after execution of this Agreement. Conversely any payments or credits by STATE to DISTRICT under the

State Water Contract relating to such claims or transfers made prior to the execution of this Agreement shall not be credited against the amount required to be paid by the DISTRICT and shall not be deducted from CONTRACTOR's obligation.

- 2. Article 5(a)(1) and (2) of Water Supply Retention
 Agreement, Model Draft I, 11/16/82 are amended to read as follows:
 - (1) Any one or more of the PUBLIC CORPORATIONS may at any time give Written Notice ("Notice") to all other CONTRACTORS, the DISTRICT, and the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District ("SLO") of an Intention to Request Construction of Described Project Facilities under the State Water Contract. The described project facilities may involve the construction of the Coastal Aqueduct or the construction of local in-lieu projects, or both. The Notice shall establish a time for determination of participation in and sizing of the particular project described, which time shall not be less than three nor more than five years from the date of the Notice.
 - Prior to the determination date, all CONTRACTORS shall decide whether or not to participate in the described project. If a CONTRACTOR decides to participate, it shall take the necessary action to enable itself to make such a determination on or before the determination date. CONTRACTOR agrees that the submittal of the described project or the financing of the described project to a vote of the people shall not exempt any CONTRACTOR from compliance with CEQA or NEPA to the extent such CONTRACTOR would have been required to comply with CEQA or NEPA in the absence of such vote. Potential participants shall identify themselves within six (6) months of the Notice to allow preparation of data essential to such determination. Potential participants who have identified themselves within the six (6) months, including, the PUBLIC CORPORATION giving the Notice, may unanimously agree to amend the Notice as to the time for determination of participation and sizing without the limitation of from three to five years in Carticle 5(a)(1) To be eligible to participate, a CONTRACTOR must pay its pro rata share of all costs determined to be necessary and jointly beneficial by a majority of the potential participants, including the costs of compliance with CEQA or NEPA, if any, subject to reimbursement by the actual participants. If a CONTRACTOR ultimately elects not to participate ("Non-Participant") and other CONTRACTORS elect to proceed ("Participant"), the Participants shall reimburse the Non-Participants for such joint costs. No reimbursement will be required if no CONTRACTOR decides to proceed.

- 3. Article I of said Water Supply Retention Agreement,
 Model Draft II, is amended by the addition of a new paragraph (d)
 to read as follows:
 - (d) The term "Delta Water Charge," as used in this Agreement shall not include any credits or payments due to DISTRICT, from STATE due to DISTRICT's protest of payments, transfer or termination of DISTRICT's entitlement and/or capacity, or litigation initiated prior to the execution of this Agreement.
- 4. This First Amendment shall not be effective until all the CONTRACTORS, who have executed Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Draft II, before the adoption of DISTRICT's Resolution approving this First Amendment, have executed this First Amendment.
- 5. Except as amended by this First Amendment, all other provisions of Water Supply Retention Agreement, Model Drafts I and II, shall remain in full force and effect.

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EXHIBIT 2

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RESOLUTION NO. 90-31

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA ESTABLISHING THE SANTA BARBARA. WATER PURVEYORS AGENCY AS THE ENTITY THROUGH WHICH DECISIONS ARE TO BE MADE AND TRANSMITTED PURSUANT TO THE WATER SUPPLY RETENTION AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, on June 25, 1985, the City of Santa Maria entered into an agreement with the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District ("District") designated "Water Supply Retention Agreement", Model I, 12/11/84, as amended by First, Second & Third Amendments, ("WSRA") and is, pursuant to the WSRA, one of the "Contractors" to which "Retained Rights" were assigned pursuant to the WSRA; and

WHEREAS, this entity is a member of the Santa Barbara Water Purveyor's Agency ("SBWPA"), a joint powers agency formed on November 16, 1982 to, among other things, develop water and water supplies and to coordinate water planning and operations and relations with other agencies; and

WHEREAS, Article 5(c) of the WSRA provides that the Contractors under the WSRA shall make all decisions relating to the retained rights and shall transmit those decisions to the District, who shall communicate them to the State of California, Department of Water Resources ("DWR") or shall transmit those decisions to a "designated representative of the Contractors" for communication to DWR and "....shall organize themselves to enable the making and transmission of such decisions"; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the joint decision-making contemplated and required by the WSRA, it is the desire and intention of the parties to the WSRA to use the SBWPA as the forum for the making and transmission of such decisions and to designate the Engineer Manager of the SBWPA as their representative to communicate such decisions to either the District or the DWR.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency is hereby acknowledged, ratified, and designated as the entity referred to in Article 5(c) of the WSRA, as the organization through which the making and transmission of all decisions relative to the WSRA shall be made.
- 2. Any decision of the SBWPA relating to the WSRA shall be subject to ratification by contractors holding a majority of the Retained Rights existing at the time of the decision in compliance with the provisions of Article 5(c) of the WSRA.
- 3. Ratification of any decision by this entity shall be in writing, communicated to the Engineer Manager of the SBWPA.
- 4. The Engineer Manager of the SBWPA is hereby designated as this entity screpresentative to transmit and communicate any decisions of the SBWPA ratified by Contractors holding a majority of the Retained Rights under the WSRA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Santa Maria held on the 20th day of March 1990.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY OF SANTA MARIA

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I, JANET KALLAND, City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 90-31 which was duly and regularly introduced and adopted by said City Council at a regular meeting held March 20, 1990 by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers Dan A. Firth, Bob Orach, Curtis J. Tunnell, Thomas B. Urbanske and Mayor George S. Hobbs, Jr.

NOES:

None:

ABSENT:

None.

File: A-292.8

City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

EXHIBIT 3

RESOLUTION NO. 91-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA AUTHORIZING THE RATIFICATION OF SANTA BARBARA WATER PURVEYORS AGENCY (SBWPA) RESOLUTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS EMBODIED IN THE WATER SUPPLY RETENTION AGREEMENTS

The City Council of the City of Santa Maria, California, hereby resolve as follows:

- 1. The SBWPA Resolution No. 90-10 regarding the approval by the State Department of Water Resources of the Assignment of Rights Embodied in the Water Supply Retention Agreements is hereby ratified.
- 2. The Mayor or, in the Mayor's absence, the City Administrator is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Santa Maria held on the 15th day of January 1991.

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DWR WSRA ASSIGNMENT APPROVAL RESOLUTION NO. 90-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA BARBARA WATER PURVEYORS AGENCY REGARDING THE APPROVAL BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES OF THE ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS EMBODIED IN THE WATER SUPPLY RETENTION AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, on July 1, 1989, Model I of the Water Supply Retention Agreements (WSRAs), which had previously been entered into by various members and associate members of the Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency (the Contractors) and the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (the District), became effective assigning the District's rights under the 1963 State Water Contract (the Water Supply Contract) between the District and the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to the Contractors; and

WHEREAS, Article 41 of the Water Supply Contract contemplates formal approval by DWR of assignments of rights under that contract; and

WHEREAS, a search of the District's records indicates that the District has not yet sought and obtained the required approval of DWR of the WSRA assignments; and

WHEREAS, the Contractors have, in good faith reliance on the WSRAs, invested over \$4,881,500 in payments to the District for transmittal to DWR to pay the obligations assigned by the District to the Contractors, and are currently paying in excess of \$2,350,000 per year to maintain those assigned rights; and

WHEREAS, the Contractors since entering into the WSRAs have exercised their rights under the agreements and have contracted with the DWR through the District to have DWR complete preliminary design, feasibility and environmental analysis of two major water projects, and have taken action to import a portion of their Water Supply Contract entitlement water to Santa Barbara County through temporary pipeline facilities as part of ongoing emergency drought measures being implemented and have taken action to extend the time to exercise the option to reacquire relinquished entitlement under the Water Supply Contract and to relocate the Santa Maria terminus of the Coastal Branch Aqueduct Project; and

WHEREAS, the Contractors have made decisions, communicated their decisions to the District and the District has transmitted their decisions to DWR pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of the WSRA, and all parties, the Contractors, the District and DWR have acted since 1989 in compliance with the terms and provisions of the WSRAs; and

SBWPA Resolution
DWR WSRA Assignment Approval

WHEREAS, given the significant investment and future financial obligations, it is the desire of the Contractors to maintain full technical compliance with the terms of the WSRA and the Water Supply Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Contractors hereby direct the Consultant Manager of the SBWPA, James Stubchaer, to submit the WSRAs to the DWR for its formal approval and to coordinate the submittal with the District and its staff.
- 2. The Contractors hereby request the District, pursuant to Article 5 (c) of the WSRAs, in coordination with the Consultant Manager, dated to provide certified copies of (a) District Resolution No. 1266, dated December 6, 1982, and (b) executed copies of Model I of the WSRA, dated 12/11/84 (as amended by the First, Second and Third Amendments) for transmittal to DWR at the earliest possible date and in no event later than January 10, 1991.
- 3. The Contractors hereby agree, pursuant to Article 3 (c) of the WSRAs, to reimburse the District for all costs and expenses which the District becomes obligated to pay under the Water Supply Contract regarding the Contractors' retained rights as a result of any action which District may take pursuant to this request.
- 4. The Secretary of this Agency is hereby directed to submit this Resolution to each contractor holding retained rights for ratification.
- 5. The Consultant Manager is hereby authorized to communicate this action to the District and to DWR as soon as (a) contractors holding a majority of the retained rights under the WSRAs have ratified this Resolution. The Consultant Manager is further authorized to take whatever action is required, in cooperation with the District, on behalf of the Contractors, to carry out the purpose and intent of this resolution.

Adopted this 13th day of December 1990 at a duly noticed meeting of the Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency by the following vote:

AYES, in favor thereof:

Buellton CSD
Carpinteria CWD
Goleta WD
City of Lompoc
Mission Hills CSD

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Montecito WD City of Santa Barbara City of Santa Maria Santa Ynez RWCD Santa Ynez RWCD ID #1 Vandenberg Village CSD

NOS, opposed:

None

ABSENT, and not voting:

Casmalia CSD City of Guadalupe Summerland CWD

ABSTENTIONS:

None

Curtis Tunnell, Chair

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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CITY OF SANTA MARIA)

I, JANET KALLAND, City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 91-12 which was duly and regularly introduced and adopted by said City Council at a regular meeting held January 15, 1991 by the following vote:

AYES:

Councilmembers Dan A. Firth, Bob Orach, Curtis J. Tunnell, Thomas B. Urbanske and Mayor George S. Hobbs, Jr.

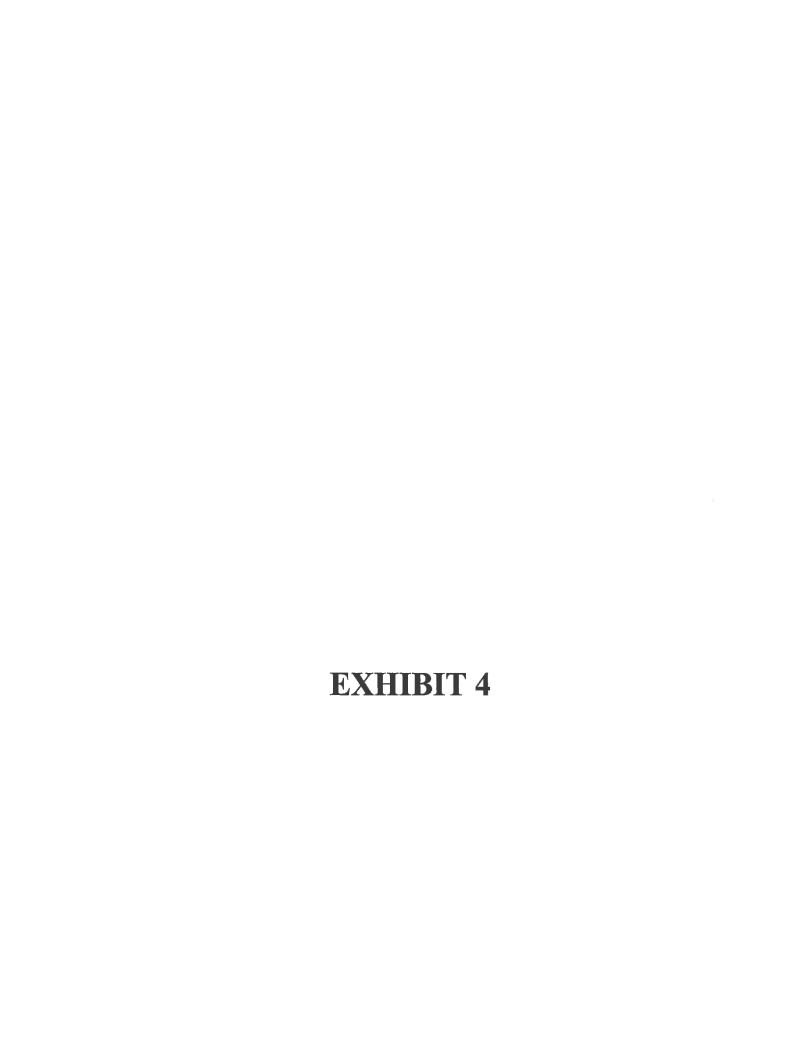
NOES:

None.

ABSENT:

None.

City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council



RESOLUTION NO. 91- 151

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA AUTHORIZING THE RATIFICATION OF SANTA BARBARA WATER PURVEYORS AGENCY (SBWPA) RESOLUTION NO. 91-14 REGARDING REACQUISITION OF ENTITLEMENT IN THE STATE WATER PROJECT (SWP) FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES (DWR)

The City Council of the City of Santa Maria, California, hereby resolve as follows:

- 1. The SBWPA Resolution #91-14 regarding reacquisition of entitlement in the State Water Project is hereby ratified.
- 2. The Mayor or, in the Mayor's absence, the City Administrator is hereby authorized to execute the necessary documents.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Santa Maria on the 3rd day of September 1991.

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RESOLUTION NO. 91–14 OF THE SANTA BARBARA WATER PURVEYORS AGENCY REGARDING REACQUISITION OF ENTITLEMENT IN THE STATE WATER PROJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 1963 State Water Supply Contract (SWP Contract) between the State of California, Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District), the District acquired entitlement to 57,700 acre feet per year (AFY) from the State Water Project (SWP) for the benefit of local water purveyors. In 1981, the District polled public and private water purveyors and other interested parties in Santa Barbara (Water Purveyors) to determine how much, if any, SWP entitlement they wished to reserve. After considering the responses, the District determined that 12,214 AFY was surplus to the needs of the Water Purveyors and requested DWR to reduce the District's entitlement (the 12,214 AFY is hereinafter referred to as the "Relinquished Entitlement"); and

WHEREAS, Amendment #9 to the SWP Contract was signed in September 1981, and reduced the District's entitlement to 45,486 AFY, without the approval of the Water Purveyors; and

WHEREAS, in 1983 the District entered into Water Supply Retention Agreements (WSRAs) with certain Water Purveyors (hereinafter the Water Purveyors which executed the WSRA's are referred to as "Contractors") transferring the District's rights under the SWP Contract to the Water Purveyors; and

WHEREAS, over the past several years, a number of Water Purveyors have indicated that they wish to increase their allocated share of SWP water under the SWP Contract or to acquire SWP rights for the first time; and

WHEREAS, the reacquisition of Relinquished Entitlement is the most expedient, logical and only means of securing additional water supplies and entitlement in the SWP; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of a 1987 settlement of the lawsuit by the San Luis Obispo Flood Control and Water Conservation District against DWR alleging improper administration of the SWP Contract regarding Aqueduct Reach 31A, the District has the right to reacquire part or all of the Relinquished Entitlement; and

WHEREAS, the reacquisition right was originally granted to March 12, 1989, and was extended twice by DWR, at the request and direction of the Contractors through the Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency, first to December 31, 1990, and then to December 31, 1991, in order to permit completion of the environmental impact reports being prepared for the Coastal Aqueduct, the Cachuma Enlargement Project, and related projects, which reports would assist the Contractors in ascertaining their needs to acquire Relinquished Entitlement; and

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WHEREAS, rights to SWP water have great value, inasmuch as SWP facilities were constructed at 1960's prices and most of the bonds were sold to construct those facilities at very low interest rates. Construction of those same facilities today would cost many times as much and the bond rates would be approximately twice as high; and

WHEREAS, as a party to the SWP Contract, the District was acting on behalf of the Contractors, inasmuch as the District does not supply water to consumers but instead has historically acted as a conduit for water policy decisions made by the Water Purveyors; and

WHEREAS, the status of the Water Purveyors as third party beneficiaries under the SWP Contract, and the role of District as a fiduciary for the Water Purveyors under that contract, was confirmed by the terms of the various WSRAs executed over the years by the District and the Contractors; and

WHEREAS, the right to acquire all or part of the Relinquished Entitlement is an integral part of the Retained Rights (as that term is defined in the WSRAs) acquired by the Contractors in the WSRAs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Contractors holding a majority of the Retained Rights under the WSRAs, through the Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency, hereby direct the Board of Directors of the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, pursuant to Article 5(c) of the WSRA, to request the State of California, Department of Water Resources, to amend the SWP Contract so that the District may reacquire, on behalf of and for the benefit of each Water Purveyor submitting a request therefor in the form of the attached Exhibit A, the amount of Relinquished Entitlement that Water Purveyor has requested thereon.
- 2. The Secretary of this Agency is hereby directed to submit this Resolution for ratification to each Contractor. Each Contractor shall be asked to ratify this resolution, whether or not that Contractor intends to submit a Request for Reacquisition of Relinquished Entitlement. The Secretary of this Agency, in consultation with the Consultant-Manager is hereby directed to disseminate this Resolution to such non-Contractor Water Purveyors in Santa Barbara County as may be known to either individual.
- 3: The Consultant-Manager is hereby authorized to communicate this action to the District and to the DWR as soon as Water Purveyors who have expressed an interest in reacquisition of entitlement have been provided an opportunity to consider and act upon this Resolution.
- 4. The Consultant-Manager is further authorized to take whatever action is required, in cooperation with the District, on behalf of the Water Purveyors, to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

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5. The Contractors who request Reacquisition of Relinquished Entitlement will be required to agree, pursuant to Article 3(c) of the WSRA, to reimburse the District for all costs and expenses which the District becomes obligated to pay under the State Water Contract regarding the participant Contractors' Retained Rights as a result of any action which District may take pursuant to this request.

Adopted this 27th day of June, 1991, at a duly noticed meeting of the Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency by the following vote:

AYES, in favor thereof:

Carpinteria CWD

Goleta WD

City of Guadalupe City of Lompoc Montecito WD

City of Santa Barbara City of Santa Maria Santa Ynez RWCD, ID#1

Summerland CWD La Cumbre MWC

Southern Calif. Water Co.

Vandenberg AFB

NOES, opposed:

None

ABSENT, and not voting:

Buellton CSD
Casmalia CSD
Morehart Land Co.

Santa Barbara Research Center

ABSTENTIONS:

Mission Hills CSD

Vandenberg Village CSD

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EXHIBIT A

REQUEST TO REACQUIRE PORTION OF RELINQUISHED ENTITLEMENT

TO:	The Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation Distriction through The Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency	
FROM:	CITY OF SANTA MARIA [Type full name of requesting entity] 110 EAST COOK STREET, SANTA MARIA [Type address and telephone] (805)	A, CA 93454-5190 925-0951
ENTITLEMENT PRESENTLY HELD: 11,300 AFY		11,300 AFY
ADDITION	VAL ENTITLEMENT REQUESTED:	4,900 AFY

The above entity requests the additional entitlement specified herein subject to the following conditions:

In consideration for the Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency (SBWPA) submitting this request to the Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) pursuant to SBWPA Resolution 91-14 adopted June 27, 1991, it is agreed as follows:

- 1. If the entity submitting this form has already executed a Water Supply Retention Agreement (WSRA) with the District, it shall be referred to herein as a Contractor and agrees to:
- (a) Amend its WSRA to reflect the total amount of SWP entitlement the Contractor will hold after the District has acquired, on behalf of that Contractor, that amount of Relinquished Entitlement requested herein.
- (b) Reimburse the District for all costs and expenses regarding the Contractor's Retained Rights (as defined in the WSRA), including the additional entitlement requested herein, which the District becomes obligated to pay under the State Water Contract as a result of any action which District may take pursuant to this request.
- (c) Take action, if required, to become a Late Participant by filing a Late Request and agree to pay its pro rata share of all costs previously incurred by the original participants and all amounts required to be paid under the 1986 Contract for Preliminary Studies of Financial Feasibility, Preliminary Design and Environmental Review Under State Water Supply Contract and all amounts paid by or through the Santa Barbara Water Purveyors Agency.

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- (d) The Contractor executing this request agrees that, in the event that the aggregate of the requests for reacquisition of Relinquished Entitlement exceeds 12,214 AFY, then each requesting Contractor shall be entitled to receive a pro rata share equal to the fraction produced by dividing that Contractor's request by the total of the requests by all Contractors.
- 2. If the entity submitting this request is not a Contractor, it shall be referred to herein as a non-Contractor Water Purveyor and agrees as follows:
- (a) The requests of Contractors for Relinquished Entitlement shall be satisfied before any portion of the Relinquished Entitlement is made available to non-Contractor Water Purveyors.
- (b) In the event the aggregate of the requests for reacquisition of Relinquished Entitlement exceeds the amount available after satisfying the requests of the Contractors, then each requesting non-Contractor Water Purveyor shall be entitled to receive a pro rata share of the excess amount equal to the fraction produced by dividing that entity's request by the total of the requests by all such non-Contractor Water Purveyors.
- (c) In the event a non-Contractor Water Purveyor is allowed to acquire Relinquished Entitlement pursuant to this request, that entity agrees to execute a WSRA in substantially the same form as the existing WSRA's (Model I, dated 12/11/84, as amended by First, Second & Third Amendments) and to file a Late Request and make payments as provided for in paragraphs 1(b) and 1(c) above.

SO AGREED.

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AYES: Councilmembers Dan A. Firth, Curtis J.

Tunnell and Thomas B. Urbanske.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Councilmember Bob Orach.

ABSTAINED: Mayor George S. Hobbs, Jr.

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Hearing Date(s): March 22, 2010 Time: 9:00 a.m.

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Department 1, LASC

Judge: Honorable Jack Komar

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Antelope Valley Groundwater Litigation (Consolidated Cases) Los Angeles County Superior Court, Lead Case No. BC 325 201 Order After Case Management Conference on March 22, 2010

The matter came on as a regularly scheduled telephonic Case Management Conference on March 22, 2010 in Department One in the above entitled Court. All parties appeared by telephone. Those parties appearing are listed in the minutes of the Court prepared by the Clerk of Court.

The parties having briefed and argued the issues, good cause appearing, the Court makes the following Case Management order:

The Third Phase of Trial is scheduled for September 27, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in Department One of this Court. The time of trial is estimated at 10 court days. The Court will be in session for trial Monday through Thursday of each week. If additional days of trial are required, the Court will schedule such after conferring with the parties.

The parties shall comply with the provisions of Code of Civil Procedure Section 2034.210 and engage in a simultaneous disclosure and exchange of expert information, including any reports prepared by such experts, on July 1, 2010. Any supplemental disclosures and exchange of information shall occur on July 15, 2010. Expert depositions shall be taken between July 15 and August 30, 2010.

On July 1, 2010, any party who intends to call non-expert witnesses to provide percipient testimony shall file a statement listing such witness, the subject matter of their testimony, and an estimate of the amount of time required for their testimony on direct.

All discovery shall be completed in compliance with the Code of Civil Procedure 30 days before trial and all motions shall be heard no later than 15 days before trial.

Trial briefs and motions in limine shall be filed no later than September 15, 2010 and any responses or opposition shall be filed no later than September 24, 2010.

The public water provider parties have essentially alleged that the basin is in overdraft, that extraction of water on an annual basis exceeds recharge, and that the basin will suffer serious degradation and damage unless the Court exercises its equitable jurisdiction. In this third phase of trial, the Court will hear evidence to determine whether the basin, as previously

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defined by the Court in trial phases one and two, is in such overdraft and to determine whether there is a basis for the Court to exercise its equitable jurisdiction, including the implementation of a "physical solution," as prayed for by the public water provider parties. The public water providers have the burden of proof.

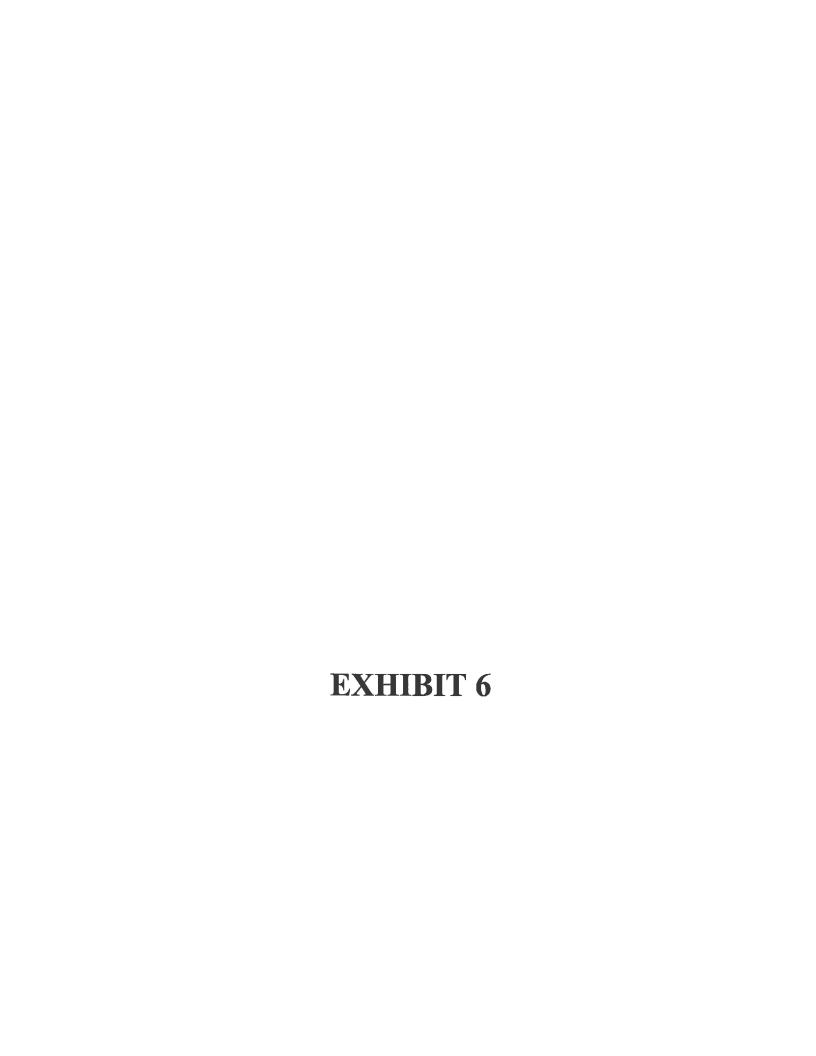
The Court will not hear any evidence concerning prescription claims nor does it expect to hear evidence of individual pumping of water by any party within the basin; rather, it expects to hear evidence concerning total pumping and total recharge from all sources, with a further breakdown showing the amount of imported water on an annual basis.

Any party requiring further clarification of the issues in this third phase of trial is invited to request such clarification and the Court will consider a further case management conference to provide such clarification unless it is a simple matter permitting the Court to issue a clarifying order.

Dated: March 22, 2010

/s/ Jack Komar

Honorable Jack Komar Judge of the Superior Court



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ORDER AFTER CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE ON MAY 6, 2010

Hearing Date(s): May 6, 2010 Time:

9:00 a.m.

Location:

Department 1, LASC

Judge: Honorable Jack Komar

Antelope Valley Groundwater Litigation (Consolidated Cases) Los Angeles County Superior Court, Lead Case No. BC 325 201 Order After Case Management Conference on May 6, 2010

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Hearing Date(s): May 6, 2010 Time:

9:00 a.m.

Location:

Department 1, LASC

Judge: Honorable Jack Komar

Antelope Valley Groundwater Litigation (Consolidated Cases) Los Angeles County Superior Court, Lead Case No. BC 325 201 Order After Case Management Conference on May 6, 2010

 The matter came on as a regularly scheduled telephonic Case Management Conference on May 6, 2010 in Department One in the above entitled Court. All parties appeared by telephone. Those parties appearing are listed in the minutes of the Court prepared by the Clerk of Court.

The parties having briefed and argued the issues, good cause appearing, the Court makes the following Case Management order:

ORDERS AMENDING THE MARCH 22, 2010 ORDER AFTER CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

The Third Phase of Trial remains scheduled for September 27, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in Department One of this Court. The time of trial remains estimated at 10 court days. The Court will be in session for trial Monday through Thursday of each week. If additional days of trial are required, the Court will schedule such after conferring with the parties.

The Request of Grimmway Enterprises, Inc., Lapis Land Company, LLC, Crystal Organics, LLC and Diamond Farming Company to Modify the March 22, 2010 Case Management Order, posted on April 30, 2010, is granted as follows: the time for parties to comply with the provisions of Code of Civil Procedure Section 2034.210 and engage in a simultaneous disclosure and exchange of expert information, including any reports prepared by such experts, is extended from July 1, 2010 to <u>July 15, 2010</u>. The time for any supplemental disclosures and exchange of information is extended from July 15, 2010 to <u>July 29, 2010</u>. The time for expert depositions to be conducted is amended to <u>between July 29, 2010 and September 13, 2010</u>.

On July 15, 2010, any party who intends to call non-expert witnesses to provide percipient testimony shall file a statement listing such witness, the subject matter of their testimony, and an estimate of the amount of time required for their testimony on direct.

All discovery shall be completed in compliance with the Code of Civil Procedure 30 days before trial and all motions shall be heard no later than 15 days before trial.

Trial briefs and motions in limine shall be filed no later than September 15, 2010 and any responses or opposition shall be filed no later than September 24, 2010.

The public water provider parties have essentially alleged that the basin is in overdraft, that extraction of water on an annual basis exceeds recharge, and that the basin will suffer serious degradation and damage unless the Court exercises its equitable jurisdiction. In this third phase of trial, the Court will hear evidence to determine whether the basin, as previously defined by the Court in trial phases one and two, is in such overdraft and to determine whether there is a basis for the Court to exercise its equitable jurisdiction, including the implementation of a "physical solution," as prayed for by the public water provider parties. The public water providers have the burden of proof.

The Court will not hear any evidence concerning prescription claims nor does it expect to hear evidence of individual pumping of water by any party within the basin; rather, it expects to hear evidence concerning total pumping and total recharge from all sources, with a further breakdown showing the amount of imported water on an annual basis.

WOOD PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO DISQUALIFY

The Motion by the Wood Plaintiffs to Disqualify the Law Firm of Lemieux & O'Neill is denied based upon the information provided to the Court.

WOOD PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR ALLOCATION OF EXPERT WITNESS FEES

On March 25, 2010, the Wood Plaintiffs submitted a Proposed Order re Motion for Allocation of Expert Witness Fees, providing that the twelve named "Public Water Suppliers" equally share the costs of Entrix in the amount of \$4,784.68. Objections thereto were filed by the Cities of Lancaster and Palmdale. After considering the pleadings filed by all parties, the Court finds the fees incurred to date by Entrix, in the amount of \$4,784.68 are reasonable, but modifies the order to exclude the Cities of Lancaster and Palmdale from obligation as neither of those parties are making claims against the these landowners.

The Court hereby orders the following public water suppliers to pay this bill directly to Entrix within fourteen days (14) of this order. The following ten public water suppliers are

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ordered to pay this bill, in equal shares: Rosamond Community Services District, Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Littlerock Creek Irrigation District, Palm Ranch Irrigation Hills Community Services District. papers, is denied without prejudice based on the decision that no evidence of individual

District, North Edwards Water District, Desert Lake Community Services District, California Water Service Company, Quartz Hill Water District, Palmdale Water District and Phelan Pinon Further, the request of Richard Wood to authorize the court-appointed expert to commence the work outlined in the proposal from Entrix, which was attached to the moving

pumping will be heard at the Phase III trial, as set forth in the Court's March 22, 2010 Order.

TRANSFEREE/TRANSFEROR OBLIGATION

Regarding the Proposed Order submitted by Tejon Ranchcorp on January 4, 2008 re Jurisdiction over Transferees of Property, previously granted by the Court in open hearings, the Court hereby confirms that it will defer signing said Order until further briefing and hearing of the issues by the parties. The Court requests that the proponent of this transfer document file by May 24, 2010, a formal motion to modify it and apply it appropriately; briefing deadlines shall be per Code of Civil Procedure; the hearing date is set for June 14, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in Department 1, Los Angeles County Superior Court.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 25, 2010

Honorable Jack Komar Judge of the Superior Court



REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE OF TRIAL TESTIMONIES, EXHIBITS, AND DECISION IN PHASE THREE RE RETURN FLOWS

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REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

Pursuant to Evidence Code Sections 452 and 453, Los Angeles County Waterworks

District No. 40 ("District No. 40") requests that the Court take judicial notice of the following

documents for use during Phase Four of the trial:

Transcripts of Joseph Scalmanini's Trial Testimony and Related Exhibits

- 1. Pages 283-284 and 320-398 of the transcript of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
- 2. Exhibit 62 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled "Historical M&I Water Requirements Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".
- 3. Exhibit 63 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled "Tabulated Historical M&I Water Requirements Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".
- 4. Exhibit 65 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled "Historical Total Water Requirements Antelope Valley of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "D".
- 5. Exhibit 66 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled "Tabulated Historical Total Water Requirements Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "E".
- 6. Exhibit 67 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled "Historical Groundwater Pumping Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "F".
- 7. Exhibit 68 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled "Calculation of Agricultural Groundwater Pumpage Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "G".
 - 8. Exhibit 70 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled

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"Boundaries of SWP Contractors with Table A Amounts Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "H".

- Exhibit 71 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled 9. "Historical Supplemental (SWP) Water Use Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "I".
- Exhibit 72 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled 10. "Historical Local and Supplemental (SWP) Water Use Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "J".
- Exhibit 73 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled 11. "Tabulated Historical Local & Supplemental (SWP) Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "K".
- 12. Exhibit 75 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled "Tabulation of Historical Recycled Water Disposition Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "L".
- Exhibit 76 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled 13. "Historical Total Water Use Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "M".
- Exhibit 77 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled 14. "Tabulation of Historical Total Water Use Antelope Valley Area of Adjudication," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "N".
- Exhibit 78 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled 15. "Native Sustainable Yield," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "O".
- Exhibit 79 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 12, 2011, titled 16. "Native and Supplemental Sustainable Yield," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "P".
- 17. Pages 418-419 and 500-514 of the transcript of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 13, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "O".

18	Exhibit 93 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 13, 2011, titled
"Native Safe Yield," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "R".	
19	Exhibit 95 of Joseph Scalmanini's trial testimony on January 13, 2011, titled
"Supplementa	al Safe Yield," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "S".
Trans	cripts of Mark J. Wildermuth's Trial Testimony

- 20. Pages 79-85 and 154-156 of the transcript of Mark J. Wildermuth's trial testimony on January 4, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "T".
- 21. Pages 24-46 and 116-119 of the transcript of Mark J. Wildermuth's trial testimony on January 5, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "U".
- 22. Pages 39-42 and 64-67 of the transcript of Mark J. Wildermuth's trial testimony on January 31, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "V".
- 23. Pages 16-18, 25-27, 56-69, 125-129 and 166-169 of the transcript of Mark J. Wildermuth's trial testimony on February 1, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "W".
- 24. Pages 90-94 of the transcript of Mark J. Wildermuth's trial testimony on March 25, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "X".

Transcript of Joel E. Kimmelshue's Trial Testimony and Related Exhibits

- 25. Pages 121-168 of the transcript of Joel E. Kimmelshue's trial testimony on March 15, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "Y".
- 26. Exhibit A-94 of Joel E. Kimmelshue's trial testimony on March 15, 2011, titled "Annual Return Flow," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "Z".
- 27. Exhibit A-95 of Joel E. Kimmelshue's trial testimony on March 15, 2011, titled "Annual Urban Applied Water and Return Flow," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "AA".

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Transcript of Steven Bachman's Trial Testimony and Related Exhibit

- Pages 132-140 and 149-153, 162-165, 177-179 and 194-195 of the transcript of 28. Steven Bachman's trial testimony on March 16, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "BB".
- 29. Exhibit B-73 of Steven Bachman's trial testimony on March 16, 2011, titled "Lag Time for Return Flows," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "CC".

Transcripts of N. Thomas Sheahan's Trial Testimony

- 30. Pages 26-28, 95-97, 140-146, 165-168, 187-189 and 195-196 of the transcript of N. Thomas Sheahan's trial testimony on March 22, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "DD".
- Pages 2-9, 138-148 and 156-160 of the transcript of N. Thomas Sheahan's trial testimony on March 23, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "EE".

Transcripts of Ericson John List's Trial Testimony

- Pages 193-199, 215-219 of the transcript of Ericson John List's trial testimony 32. on March 23, 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "FF".
- Pages 1-9 of the transcript of Ericson John List's trial testimony on March 24, 33. 2011, true and correct copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit "GG".

Statement of Decision

Phase Three Statement of Decision, dated July 13, 2011, a true and correct 34. copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "HH".

Exhibits "A" through "HH" relate to return flows in the Antelope Valley Water Basin. Exhibits "A" through "GG" are either trial testimonies excerpts or exhibits presented during Phase Three. Exhibit "HH" is this Court's Phase Three Statement of Decision, which contains return flows findings. The items contained in this Request are part of the Court's records.

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II. THE COURT SHOULD TAKE JUDICIAL NOTICE OF RECORDS OF THIS ACTION

Courts may take judicial notice of "[r]ecords of [] any court of this state." (Evid. Code §452, subd. (d); see, *People v. Buckley* (1986) 185 Cal. App. 3d 512, 525 [judicial notice taken of preliminary hearing transcript]; *Knoff v. San Francisco* (1969) 1 Cal. App. 3d 184, 200 [grand jury testimony transcripts "were subjects of which the trial court could properly take judicial notice."].) Moreover, California courts have long established that "[a] court may judicially notice its own records and proceedings in the same case." (*San Francisco v. Carraro* (1963) 220 Cal. App. 2d 509, 527; see also, Nulaid Farmers Assn. v. La Torre (1967) 252 Cal. App. 2d 788, 791 ["It is settled that a court may take judicial notice of its own records "].)

The exhibits attached hereto include: (1) Phase Three trial testimony; (2) Phase Three trial exhibits; and (3) the Phase Three Statement of Decision. These documents are court records, for which judicial notice may be taken. (Evid. Code §452, subd. (d).)

Under Section 453 of the Evidence Code, this request for judicial notice is conditionally mandatory and must be granted if sufficient notice is given to the adverse party and if the court is furnished with sufficient information to enable it to take notice of the matter. (*People v. Maxwell* (1978) 78 Cal. App. 3d 124, 130-31.) By this request, District No. 40 gives the Court and adverse parties sufficient notice and information to enable it to take judicial notice of those records attached hereto as Exhibits "A" through "HH."

Dated: March 29, 2013

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1 PROOF OF SERVICE 2 I, Kerry V. Keefe, declare: I am a resident of the State of California and over the age of eighteen years, and 3 not a party to the within action; my business address is Best Best & Krieger LLP, 5 Park Plaza, Suite 1500, Irvine, California, 92614. On March 29, 2013, I served the within document(s): 4 REQUEST FOR JUDICIAL NOTICE OF TRIAL TESTIMONIES, EXHIBITS, AND 5 DECISION IN PHASE THREE RE RETURN FLOWS 6 7 by posting the document(s) listed above to the Santa Clara County Superior Court X 8 website in regard to the Antelope Valley Groundwater matter. 9 by placing the document(s) listed above in a sealed envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid, in the United States mail at Irvine, California addressed as set forth 10 LAW OFFICES OF BEST BEST & KRIEGER ILP VON KARMAN AVENUE, SUITE 1000 IRVINE, CALIFORNIA 92612 below. 11 by causing personal delivery by ASAP Corporate Services of the document(s) listed above to the person(s) at the address(es) set forth below. 12 13 by personally delivering the document(s) listed above to the person(s) at the address(es) set forth below. 14 I caused such envelope to be delivered via overnight delivery addressed as 15 indicated on the attached service list. Such envelope was deposited for delivery by Federal Express following the firm's ordinary business practices. 16 17 I am readily familiar with the firm's practice of collection and processing 18 correspondence for mailing. Under that practice it would be deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day with postage thereon fully prepaid in the ordinary course of business. I 19 am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing in affidavit. 20 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the 21 above is true and correct. 22 Executed on March 29, 2013, at Irvine, California. 23 Kerry V. Keefe 24 25 26 27 28 26345.00000\6052781.1 - 1 -

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO}

I am employed in the County of the San Bernardino, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is 1839 Commercenter West, San Bernardino, California 92408-3303.

On April 19, 2013, I served the foregoing document(s) described as: ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION IN LIMINE OF ROSAMOND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT on the interested parties in this action served in the following manner:

BY ELECTRONIC SERVICE AS FOLLOWS by posting the document(s) listed above to the Santa Clara website in the action of the *Antelope Valley Groundwater Litigation*, Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding No. 4408, Santa Clara Case No. 1-05-CV-049053.

X (STATE) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

Executed on April 19, 2013, at San Bernardino, California.

P. Jo Affine Quihuis