



Long Beach Water Department

The Standard in Water Conservation & Environmental Stewardship

Board of Water Commissioners
June 2, 2011 Board Meeting

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Subject:

Adoption of the Long Beach Water Department 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP).

Executive Summary:

The State of California requires the Board of Water Commissioners (Commission) to adopt an Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) once every five years. The Commission adopted UWMPs in 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, and 2005. By adopting the UWMP the Long Beach Water Department (LBWD) qualifies to apply for certain funding as the funds become available. The UWMP makes 25-year water supply and demand projections and describes the LBWD's efforts to promote the efficient use and management of its water resources in normal and dry years.

The LBWD provided copies of the draft UWMP to the City's elected officials as well as the City Manager, City Advanced Planner, City Librarian, and City Clerk, and solicited their input. The LBWD developed the UWMP in concert with other water agencies including the largest urban water agency in the United States, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, from whom the LBWD purchases approximately forty percent of its water wholesale. Eight cities in the greater Long Beach area, as well as the county of Los Angeles, were invited to participate in the development of the Plan and provided draft copies of the plan for their review and comments. Finally, several community organizations were also provided copies of the draft and invited to submit comments.

Board Options/Fiscal Impacts

Option #1: Adopt the Long Beach Water Department 2010 UWMP.

Fiscal Impact: LBWD will not qualify to apply for certain funds from the State of California unless the Commission adopts the 2010 UWMP.

Option #2: Postpone adoption of the UWMP.

Fiscal Impact: If not adopted by June 30, 2011, LBWD would be disqualified to apply for certain funding from the State of California.

Staff Recommendation

Option #1.

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