

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: BRUCE BUEL
DATE: APRIL 3, 2009

AGENDA ITEM
D-6
APRIL 8, 2009

MISSION STATEMENT AND VISION STATEMENT

ITEM

Edit District Mission Statement and Vision Statement [ADOPT RECOMMENDATION]

BACKGROUND

Attached is the proposed Mission Statement and Vision Statement as revised to reflect the edits ordered by the Board at the Board's March 25, 2009 Meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT - NONE

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board adopt the statements as attached.

ATTACHMENTS

- Proposed Mission Statement
- Proposed Vision Statement

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Mission Statement - The District Mission Statement??

*The Nipomo Community Services District's mission is to
provide its customers with reliable, quality,
and cost-effective services now and in the future.*



VISION STATEMENT

The District:

- has sufficient water supplies to meet current needs and is actively planning for and funding future needs,
- has investments in our infrastructure to maintain reliable and efficient services,
- is practicing environmental stewardship to protect resources,
- has substantially upgraded and continues to upgrade water and wastewater systems to accommodate new water supplies and meet growth and regulatory requirements,
- is sustaining a qualified, long term and productive workforce to assure an effective organization,
- continues conservative, well managed finances reaching incremental targeted reserve goals,
- customer service, public outreach and information methods have resulted in a high level of public support,
- is utilizing proven and cost-effective technologies to enhance the performance of our mission,
- has improved relationships with local agencies, regulators and providers, and
- has constructed and is operating a least one neighborhood park.

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EXECUTE GRANT FUNDING MOU WITH SLO COUNTY

ITEM

Authorize execution of MOU with SLO County re Grand Funding [RECOMMEND APPROVAL]

BACKGROUND

Attached is the draft MOU between NCSD and SLO County that allows for the County to apply for regional grant funding on behalf of NCSD. Such a formal understanding is required by the State in regards to competing for Proposition 84/1A Bond Funding.

FISCAL IMPACT

Processing the MOU will involve previously budgeted staff time, however, adoption of the MOU could result in future grant funding for NCSD's Infrastructure Projects.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board authorize the General Manager to execute the MOU on behalf of NCSD and to coordinate with the County regarding competing for state grant funding.

ATTACHMENTS

- Draft MOU

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San Luis Obispo County
Integrated Regional Water Management Plan
Memorandum of Mutual Understandings

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) is to establish the mutual understandings between San Luis Obispo County Region partners with respect to their joint efforts towards developing an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) for the San Luis Obispo County Region that will establish a unified vision of the relationships between individual goals of water quality improvement, ecosystem preservation, water supply protection, ground water management, and flood management.

2. DEFINITIONS

2.1 Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP). A comprehensive plan for a defined geographic area, in this case the San Luis Obispo County Region, the specific development, content, and adoption of which shall satisfy requirements of California's IRWM Program and relevant codes. At a minimum, an IRWMP describes the major water-related objectives and conflicts within a region, considers a broad variety of water management strategies, identifies the appropriate mix of water demand and supply management alternatives, water quality protections, and environmental stewardship actions to provide long-term, reliable, and high-quality water supply and protect the environment, and identifies disadvantaged communities in the region and takes the water-related needs of those communities into consideration.

2.2 San Luis Obispo County Region (Region). The geographic area, which is coterminous with the San Luis Obispo County and the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District boundary, covered by the IRWMP.

2.3 Local Agency. Any city, county, city and county, special district, joint powers authority, or other political subdivision of the state, a public utility as defined in Section 216 of the Public Utilities Code, or a mutual water company as defined in Section 2725 of the Public Utilities Code.

2.4 Regional Water Management Group (RWMG). A group in which three or more local agencies, at least two of which have statutory authority over water supply or water management, as well as those other persons who may be necessary for the development and implementation of an IRWMP, participate by means of a joint powers agreement, memorandum of understanding, or other written agreement, as appropriate, that is approved by the governing bodies of those local agencies. The Region's RWMG Members are signatories to this MOU and may designate a representative to participate in RWMG activities.

2.5 Regional Projects or Programs. Projects or programs to be implemented by signatories of this MOU identified in an IRWMP that accomplish any of the following:

- (a) Reduce water demand through agricultural and urban water use efficiency.
- (b) Increase water supplies for any beneficial use through the use of any of the following, or other, means:
 - (1) Groundwater storage and conjunctive water management.
 - (2) Desalination.
 - (3) Precipitation enhancement.
 - (4) Water recycling.
 - (5) Regional and local surface storage.
 - (6) Water-use efficiency.
 - (7) Stormwater management.
- (c) Improve operational efficiency and water supply reliability, including conveyance facilities, system reoperation, and water transfers.
- (d) Improve water quality, including drinking water treatment and distribution, groundwater and aquifer remediation, matching water quality to water use, wastewater treatment, water pollution prevention, and management of urban and agricultural runoff.
- (e) Improve resource stewardship, including agricultural lands stewardship, ecosystem restoration, flood plain management, recharge area protection, urban land use management, groundwater management, water-dependent recreation, fishery restoration, including fish passage improvement, and watershed management.
- (f) Improve flood management through structural and nonstructural means, or by any other means.

2.6 Regional Reports or Studies. Reports or studies relating to any of the matters described in 3.5 (a) to (f), that are identified in the IRWMP.

2.7 Service Function. A water-related individual service function provided by an agency, i.e. water supply, water quality, wastewater, recycled water, water conservation, stormwater/flood control, watershed planning, and aquatic habitat protection and restoration.

2.8 Integration. Assembling into one document the water-related management strategies, projects and plans in the Region. The first phase would be to identify water management strategies for the region and the priority projects that demonstrate how these strategies work together to provide reliable water supply, protect or improve water quality, provide watershed protection and planning, and provide environmental restoration protection. Projects and plans would be categorized and opportunities to identify regional benefits of linkages between multiple water management strategies among projects and plans of separate service functions and to see where projects and plans of separate service functions may further interrelate, e.g. wastewater treatment and water recycling or habitat restoration.

2.9 Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC). This is the committee comprised of water purveyor, resource conservation district,

environmental and agricultural representatives that was originally established in the 1940's to advise the Board of Supervisors for the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) on water resource issues. The WRAC meets monthly, with the exception of July and August, and is subject to the Brown Act. The members of the WRAC with the authority to enter into an MOU are the same agencies that would comprise a RWMG to support the region's IRWM planning efforts. Therefore, RWMG Members and other regional stakeholder groups participate in the IRWMP development process by way of presentations to the Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC).

2.10 Local Projects or Programs. Cooperative agreements between specific RWMG members for implementation of specific projects or programs that are approved by the RWMG are included in the definition of Regional Projects or Programs.

3. GOALS OF THE IRWMP

The goals of the IRWMP are to without unfairly burdening communities, neighborhoods, or individuals:

3.1 Protect and improve water quality for beneficial uses consistent with regional interests and the Basin Plan in cooperation with local and state agencies and regional stakeholders.

3.2 Improve regional water supply reliability and security, reduce dependence on imported water, reduce water rights disputes and protect watershed communities from drought with a focus on interagency conjunctive use of regional water resources.

3.3 Protect, enhance and restore the region's natural resources including open spaces; fish, wildlife and migratory bird habitat; special status and native plants; wetlands; estuarine, marine, and coastal ecosystems; streams, lakes, and reservoirs; forests; and agricultural lands.

3.4 Monitor, protect, and improve the regions groundwater through a collaborative approach designed to reduce conflicts.

3.5 Develop, fund, and implement an integrated, watershed approach to flood management through a collaborative and community supported process.

4. IRWMP PROJECT PARTICIPANTS

Development and implementation of the Region's IRWMP is a collaborative effort undertaken by the RWMG. The RWMG is being led by the District, in partnership with other signatories to this MOU. The IRWMP will be developed in coordination with the WRAC. However, only regional projects and programs to be implemented by signatories to this MOU will be eligible for grant applications. The signatories entering into this MOU are specifying their shared intent to coordinate and collaborate on water management issues as expressed in Section 3. Goals of the IRWMP and in accordance with Section 5. Mutual Understandings. The

signatories anticipate the potential need for future agreements on specific projects or programs that may be considered for grant applications.

5. MUTUAL UNDERSTANDINGS

5.1 Need for the Region's IRWMP

5.1.1 To improve communication and cooperation between public and private agencies and minimize conflict-generated solutions.

5.1.2 To enhance our existing water management efforts by increasing stakeholder awareness of important issues, providing more opportunities for collaborative efforts and improving efficiencies in government and water management.

5.1.3 To qualify for state grants and other funding opportunities only available to those regions which have developed an IRWMP.

5.2 Subject matter scope of the IRWMP. The IRWMP focuses on water supply, water quality protection and improvement, ecosystem preservation and restoration, groundwater monitoring and management, and flood management as these are the most prevalent water resource issues facing the Region.

5.3 Geographical scope of the IRWMP. The Region for this memorandum is coterminous with the boundary of San Luis Obispo County. This is an appropriate geographic region for integrated regional water management planning because it encompasses all aspects of water management generally within the same physical, political, environmental, social, and economic boundaries.

The Salinas Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan region borders the Region to the north and the Santa Barbara County IRWMP region border the Region on the South. Coordination with agencies in Kern County developing an IRWMP region at the time of initial execution of this MOU will be important for identifying any water resources issues overlapping with the Region in the future.

Water resources issues that overlap with neighboring regional boundaries are either covered by existing cooperative water management plans (i.e. Nacitone Watershed Management Plan), adjudication (i.e. Santa Maria Groundwater Basin), and operational agreements (i.e. Nacimiento and Salinas Reservoirs), or there is no defining water resource management issue at this time (i.e. Kern County region boundary). All of these items are to be included in the Region's IRWM Plan consistent with the IRWMPs of neighboring regions. The RWMG will continue to coordinate with neighboring regions to address additional water resources issues in our respective IRWMPs.

5.4 Approach to developing and implementing the IRWMP

5.4.1 Signatories. Signatories to this MOU, including the District, that make up the RWMG are responsible for the development of the IRWMP.

5.4.2 Lead Agency. The District will act as the lead agency, ultimately responsible for the final production of the Region's IRWMP, presentations to stakeholders, submittal of IRWM grant applications,

execution of grant agreements with the State, and execution of agreements with RWMG members responsible for the implementation of projects that are awarded grants.

5.4.3 RWMG Member Responsibilities. All members, in a timely fashion, will provide information sufficient to meet State guidelines for their regional projects and programs to be included in the IRWMP and participate in the review of the IRWMP. All Members will participate in the process to select IRWMP regional projects and programs for grant applications. Members responsible for the implementation of regional projects and programs awarded grant funding will be responsible, through contract with the District, for complying with the provisions of the District's grant agreement with the State. Members will provide the District with their designated representative's contact information. Members will adopt the IRWMP in accordance with 5.5 and 5.6 below.

5.4.4 Stakeholder Participation. RWMG Members and other regional stakeholder groups participate in the IRWMP development process by way of presentations to the Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC). Stakeholders that are not WRAC members will be notified of when an IRWMP item will be reviewed by the WRAC. Sub-regional meetings may be required to ensure all stakeholders, including disadvantaged communities, who may not necessarily be able to attend WRAC meetings, can participate in IRWMP development.

5.4.5 IRWMP Development and Implementation. The Region's IRWMP that was adopted by the District, developed in coordination with and approved by stakeholders in 2005, and updated in 2007, will be the basis for the next and subsequent adopted IRWMPs for the Region. The RWMG will propose changes to the previous versions of the IRWMP to comply with new State guidelines and incorporate new information and projects, for review and approval in accordance with 5.5 and 5.6 below. Since a key element of the IRWM Program is integration, the RWMG will work with other WRAC Members to identify water management strategies for the region and the priority projects that demonstrate how these strategies work together to protect and improve water quality; improve regional water supply reliability and security; protect, enhance and restore the region's natural resources; monitor, protect, and improve the region's groundwater; and develop, fund, and implement an integrated, watershed approach to flood management. Regional projects and programs would be categorized and opportunities to identify regional benefits of linkages between multiple water management strategies among projects and programs of separate service functions and to see where projects and programs of separate service functions may further interrelate, e.g. wastewater treatment and water recycling or habitat restoration.

5.5 Decision-making. The WRAC will serve as the main advisor to the RWMG on decisions to be made on the IRWMP. Written consensus will be sought between the representatives of RWMG members in the event the need for a decision arises that cannot be brought forth to the WRAC before a decision needs to be made.

5.6 Adoption of the IRWMP. IRWMP approval and adoption will occur by the governing bodies of RWMG Members. IRWMP updates to meet new State guidelines, add new RWMG Members, add or remove regional projects and programs, or other updates to information do not require IRWMP re-adoption. Significant changes to the IRWMP, including revised goals and objectives, revised regional boundaries, or other changes deemed significant by the RWMG, will require re-adoption of the IRWMP.

5.7 Non-binding nature. This document and participation in this IRWMP effort are nonbinding, and in no way suggest that a RWMG Member may not continue its own planning and undertake efforts to secure project funding from any source. An agency may withdraw from participation at any time.

5.8 Personnel and financial resources. It is expected that RWMG members will contribute the resources necessary to fulfill the responsibilities in 5.4.3 above.

5.9 Other on-going regional efforts. Development of the IRWMP is separate from efforts of other organizations to develop water-related plans on a regional basis. As the IRWMP is developed, work products can be shared with these separate efforts to provide them with current information. Cooperative agreements between specific RWMG members for implementation of specific projects or programs are included as attachments to this MOU.

5.10 Reports and communications. The WRAC, an IRWM contact list and the District's website will serve as the forum for updates and correspondence relating to the development of the IRWMP.

5.11 Termination. Because the IRWMP will require periodic review and updating for use into the future, it is envisioned that the joint efforts of those involved will be ongoing in maintaining a living document. Thus this MOU will remain as a reflection of the understandings of the RWMG Members. As indicated, individual signatories of this MOU may terminate their involvement at any time.

6. SIGNATORIES TO THE MEMORANDUM OF MUTUAL UNDERSTANDINGS

We, the undersigned representatives of our respective agencies, acknowledge the above as our understanding of how the San Luis Integrated Regional Water Management Plan will be developed.

_____ signature
_____ printed name
_____ agency
_____ date

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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AUTHORIZE THE OPENING OF A CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT REGISTRY SERVICE (CDARS) ACCOUNT AT MISSION COMMUNITY BANK [RECOMMEND APPROVAL]

ITEM

Authorize the opening of a Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS) account at Mission Community Bank [recommend approval]

BACKGROUND

On March 18, 2009, the Board of Directors authorized the opening of a CDARS account at Mission Community Bank and directed Staff to deposit the balance of the Certificate of Deposit at Rabobank into this account.

Mission Community Bank requires the following information in order to open the account:

- Board meeting Minutes authorizing the CDARS
- Corporate Resolution showing authorized signers
- Copies of Drivers License of signers

Once these documents are completed, Staff will proceed with opening the CDARS account.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt attached resolution

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

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**NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 2009-mission bank**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
NIPOMO COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING THE OPENING OF A CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT REGISTRY
SERVICE (CDARS) ACCOUNT AT MISSION COMMUNITY BANK**

WHEREAS, the Nipomo Community Services District (herein "District") Board of Directors (herein "Board") is a local governmental agency formed and authorized to provide services within its jurisdiction, pursuant to Section 61000 et seq. of the California Government Code; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2009, the Board of Directors approved the opening a Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS) account at Mission Community Bank with the funds previously held in a Certificate of Deposit at Rabobank; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED by the Board of Directors of the Nipomo Community Services District, as follows:

1. The Nipomo Community Services District Board of Directors authorizes the following:
 - a) Creation of a Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS) account at Mission Community Bank;
 - b) The transfer of funds from the Certificate of Deposit at Rabobank into the CDARS account; and
 - c) The General Manager is authorized to execute the CDARS Deposit Placement Agreement.
2. The following persons and their successors are authorized signators on the account:

James Harrison, President	Lawrence Vierheilig, Vice President
Michael Winn, Director	Clifford Trotter, Director
Ed Eby, Director	Donna Johnson, Board Secretary
Bruce Buel, General Manager	Lisa Bognuda, Finance Director

Upon motion by Director ____, seconded by Director ____, on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:

the foregoing resolution is hereby passed and adopted this 8^h day of April, 2009.

JAMES HARRISON
President of the Board

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

DONNA K. JOHNSON
Secretary to the Board

JON S. SEITZ
District Legal Counsel

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