

Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy
Board Packet Information
Last Update: May 14, 2009

Agenda Item: Consider approval of Resolution 1829 for the Bureau of Reclamation Challenge Grant Program: Recovery Act of 2009, Water Marketing and Efficiency Grants Application

Background: The Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation is seeking proposals for cooperative projects that create water banks and markets. The objective is to help communities address the twenty-first century water challenges and ensure adequate water supplies now and into the future. Funding would be available through the Challenge Grant Program: Recovery Act of 2009, Water Marketing and Efficiency Grants. These grants provide cost shared funding for construction projects that make more efficient use of existing water supplies. The District's Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project meets the grants objectives very well.

Some of the grants requirements are as follows:

- The District must be willing to cost share 50 percent of the total project cost. The minimum funding being \$1,000,000 and the maximum \$5,000,000.
- Proposed projects must be completed by September 30, 2011.
- Water Marketing and Efficiency Grant applications proposing water banking and marketing elements will be given priority in the selection process.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the board approve Resolution 1829 for the Bureau of Reclamation Challenge Grant Program: Recovery Act of 2009, Water Marketing and Efficiency Grants Application.

METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SALT LAKE & SANDY

RESOLUTION NO. 1829

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, under its Challenge Grant Program: Recovery Act of 2009, Water Marketing and Efficient Grants, will make funding available to qualifying applicants on a matching fund for certain qualifying water banks and water markets projects; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy has identified a Project that exemplifies the objectives of the Challenge Grant Program: Recovery Act of 2009, Water Marketing and Efficiency Grants in its Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project ("Project").

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby **RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy as follows:

The Board of Trustees of this District has reviewed the proposal for the Project and supports the Project.

This District is capable of providing the amount of funding and/or in kind contributions specified in the funding plan.

If selected for a Challenge Grant Program: Recovery Act of 2009, Water Marketing and Efficient Grants, this District will negotiate and execute a Cooperative Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation for this District to provide the amount of funding and/or in kind contributions specified in the funding plan, and will work with the Bureau of Reclamation to enter into such Cooperative Agreement within established deadlines.

ADOPTED this 18th day of May, 2009 by the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy upon roll call as follows:

Leland J. Myers, Trustee
Tom Godfrey, Trustee
Lee Kapaloski, Trustee
John S. Kirkham, Trustee
Kathy W. Loveless, Trustee
Donald Y. Milne, Trustee
David L. Buhler, Trustee