

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Water Agency

Department No.: 054

For Agenda Of: February 15, 2022

Placement: Set hearing
Estimated Tme: 45 minutes

45 minutes on March 8, 2022

Continued Item:

No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Directors, Water Agency

FROM: Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, (805) 568-3010

Director(s)

Contact Info: Walter Rubalcava, Interim Deputy Public Works Director, (805) 568-3436

SUBJECT: Santa Barbara County Water Resources Update, All Supervisorial Districts

<u>County Counsel Concurrence</u> <u>Auditor-Controller Concurrence</u>

As to form: Yes As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Directors:

Set a hearing on the departmental agenda on March 8, 2022 (ESTIMATED TIME: 45 MINUTES) to:

- a) Receive and file an update on water resources throughout the County of Santa Barbara; and
- b) Determine that this action is not subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b) (5), as it is an administrative action that will not result in direct or indirect changes to the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to receive and file a presentation on water resources in Santa Barbara County. Staff will update your Board on the status of water resources in the County, and provide an overview of projects and programs intended to ensure water supply reliability.

Background:

On July 8, 2021, the Governor of California added Santa Barbara County to the list of counties experiencing a drought and subject to his emergency declaration. The Governor's initial drought emergency declaration was on April 10, 2021. On August 31, 2021, your Board issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency regarding the Drought Conditions within the County of Santa Barbara, and most recently re-ratified it on February 8, 2022.

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Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Staff time for this work is included in the annual budget for the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to email a minute order of these actions to Christina Lopez at clopez@countyofsb.org

Attachments:

N/A

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