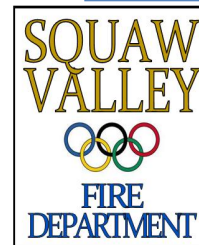




SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT



MANAGEMENT REPORT

DATE: March 26, 2019

TO: District Board Members

FROM: Mike Geary, General Manager

SUBJECT: Management Report – Information Only

BACKGROUND: The discussion section below provides information from the District's management on current projects and activities that are not the subject of a separate report. This report is prepared to provide new information and recent progress only.

DISCUSSION: The General Manager participated in the following meetings in the last month:

- Direct Reports – weekly with Fire Chief, Finance & Administration Manager, District Engineer, Operations Superintendent, Board Secretary
- Two Parks and Recreation Committee / OMP Community meetings
- Finance Committee
- Olympic Meadow Property – Squaw Creek Restoration Projects – David Shaw, Balance Hydrologics
- Olympic Meadow Property – nine meetings with staff, directors, TDLT, consultants, stakeholders, realtor and regional leaders
- Director of the Board Appointment – six meetings to establish candidate selection process and provide information to the public regarding filling the vacancy
- 1810 SV Road Lease – review terms with staff.
- Olympic Meadow Property – presentation to First Tuesday Breakfast Club
- TTSA Manager's Meeting
- Olympic Meadow Property – presentation to Coldwell Banker Realtor's Group
- Monthly Planning – staff
- Pre-Appointment Orientations for Director of the Board – five applicants.
- Personnel Policies & Procedures Manual Update – staff
- Fire Department Budget – staff
- Annual Budget – staff
- SWRCB Citation of Violation for Coliform – two meetings with staff and

- State regulator
- Squaw Valley Business Association
 - Special Board Meeting
 - 1810 SV Road Roofs Replacement Project – District Engineer

Comment Letter Re: Support for Senate Bill 669 – Safe Drinking Water Fund

Mike Geary signed a letter of support, drafted by Sean Barclay, General Manager of Tahoe City Public Utility District (PUD), regarding Senate Bill 669 (Caballero), which would create a Safe Drinking Water Trust (Trust) at the state Treasury. The purpose of the Trust would be to provide a durable funding source to help community water systems in disadvantaged communities provide their customers with access to safe drinking water. The Trust is thought to be a better approach than a statewide water tax. The letter was also signed by North Tahoe PUD, Tahoe City PUD, South Tahoe PUD, Truckee Donner PUD and Alpine Springs County Water District.

ATTACHMENTS: Letter supporting Senate Bill 669 – Safe Drinking Water Fund.

DATE PREPARED: March 18, 2019



February 28, 2019

The Honorable Benjamin Allen (Chair)
Senate Environmental Quality Committee
State Capitol 4076
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 669 (Caballero): Safe Drinking Water Trust - SUPPORT

Dear Senator Allen,

Our coalition of regional Lake Tahoe water agencies supports SB 669 (Caballero), which would create the Safe Drinking Water Trust (Trust) at the state Treasury. The purpose of the Trust would be to provide a durable funding source to help community water systems in disadvantaged communities provide their customers with access to safe drinking water. The Trust is a better approach than a statewide water tax.

There currently exists a funding gap for operation and maintenance (O&M) costs for the treatment of drinking water by community water systems in disadvantaged communities. O&M costs generally cannot be financed with existing federal and state safe drinking water funding sources that are available for capital costs. In some situations, the consolidation of a failing community water system with one or more systems may be the most effective solution. The Safe Drinking Water Trust proposed in SB 669 would provide a durable funding source to provide financial assistance for replacement water as a short-term solution, consolidation and ongoing O&M costs.

The Trust would be funded with an infusion of General Fund dollars during a budget surplus year. With the record budget surplus for the 2019-20 Fiscal Year, this is the perfect year to create and fund the Trust. The state would invest the Trust's principal, and the net income from the Trust would be transferred on an ongoing basis to a Safe Drinking Water Fund that would be administered by the State Water Resources Control Board.

The Trust is a better approach than a statewide water tax because it is not sound policy to tax a resource that is essential to life. Unlike a regressive water tax and the associated implementation costs at about

3,000 local water systems, the Trust would not drive up water costs and work against the state's Human Right to Water policy of affordable water.

For the above reasons, we respectfully asks you to vote "Aye" for SB 669.



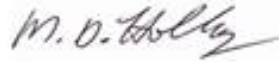
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cc. Senator Anna Cabellero