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SUPPLEMENT TO 06/18/07 MPWMD BOARD PACKET

Attached are copies of letters received between May 9, 2007 and June 7, 2007. These letters are also listed in the June 18, 2007 Board packet under item 26, Letters Received.

Author	Addressee	Date	Topic
David Dilworth	MPWMD Board	5/30/07	EIR for MPWMD 8,400 AFY Sand City Desalination Project
Greg Pickens	Thomas Woodruff	6/5/07	Surplus School Land for Sale and Other Existing MPUSD Properties Potential for Possible MPWMD Aquifer Storage & Recovery (ASR) Locations

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Board of Directors
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Wednesday, May 30, 2007

Please Include District's Sand City Desal EIR in Budget

Dear Directors,

In view of the current water crisis, HOPE respectfully urges the Board of Directors for the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District to include funding for completing the Environmental Impact Report on the proposed Sand City desalination project.

The Sand City project was developed by the prior Board and shelved after the 2003 elections when some of the current Board members who assumed office opposed continued pursuit of that project.

The Sand City desalination plant is a **right-sized project to legalize our water supply as quickly as possible**, when combined with reclaimed water and ASR.

In sharp contrast, the regional plants proposed in the Moss Landing area will cost Monterey Peninsula taxpayers more to build and maintain, and are years away in construction. According to Cal-Am as of yesterday, Tuesday May 29, the soonest they could start construction is 2012. A smaller plant in Sand City stands a much greater chance of obtaining the necessary permits and can be constructed much sooner than a larger, regional plant, which will face many challenges by environmental, citizen and taxpayer groups.

At the very least, this Board should spend the money to finally determine the viability of the Sand City project. Even if the Board does not currently support pursuing the project, the work that has been completed to-date should not go to waste. Complete the EIR to allow the Board to keep it as a viable option.

This Board needs to be actively pursuing all options to resolve our water crisis.

With all due respect,

David Dilworth,
Executive Director for the Board of Trustees

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June 5, 2007

Mr. Thomas Woodruff
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Subject: Surplus School Land for Sale and Other Existing MPUSD Properties Potential for Possible MPWMD Aquifer Storage & Recovery (ASR) Locations.

Dear Mr. Woodruff:

In a recent conversation with Rob Corley, he suggested that I should submit the following for your consideration.

Regarding APN 259-091-011-00 (approximately 50 acres near Monterra Ranch) and APN 416-193-012-000 (approximately 10 acres near Boots Road);

It is my understanding that MPUSD would like to sell the properties for potential development. In order to insure maximum return I would like to encourage MPUSD (or the selling agent) to pursue direct discussion with MPWMD personnel regarding developing an ASR at these locations. Specifically, I would like to suggest a lake/park setting with a small number of 1 acre parcels for single home development while maximizing affordable housing.

I understand that traditional ASR technology may not be appropriate for the locations due to existing geology constraints. Additionally, I understand some of the building constraints for the locations. Regardless, I would like to encourage discussions regarding options for potable/irrigation below ground water storage & retrieval that may benefit both parties.

My second suggestion is somewhat more complex.

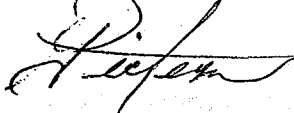
I believe that MPUSD could recognize additional revenue, savings and become a community leader by developing potable/irrigation storage/retrieval and/or drain/storm water basin systems on existing properties. I would encourage direct conversations with the City of Monterey and other Monterey Peninsula cities regarding the ASBS project and related drain/storm water storage and water recycling projects.

I believe that many of the MPUSD properties are located in geographic locations that could strategically benefit various water projects that are under review. My observation

is that the city departments and/or various water related agencies are not communicating with each other and a high level of redundancy is present. Specifically, I would encourage MPUSD to propose to MPWMD that a joint task team be created (possibly as part of TAC) that would explore the expanded use of MPUSD properties for potable, irrigation and drain/storm water use. The open areas of MPUSD could offer the various water departments a viable below ground storage option that has not been seriously considered. Of course, MPUSD should receive compensation if any of the properties are used.

In conclusion, I believe that MPUSD can maximize its return selling surplus properties when a viable water project is included in the potential project development. Additionally, I believe that MPUSD can generate incremental revenue by expanding the use of existing properties to include various water related projects.

Best Regards,



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cc: Mr. David Berger - MPWMD