

XIII. SUMMARY OF COSTS FOR MITIGATION PROGRAM, JULY 2005 THROUGH JUNE 2006

Table XIII-1 summarizes the costs for hydrologic monitoring, biological mitigations (fish, riparian and lagoon), water supply augmentation, and integrated regional water management activities for the fiscal year July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. The table also includes general administrative costs (e.g., rent, utilities, services and supplies) and capital asset expenditures incurred by the District and allocated to the Mitigation Program according to its proportional share of staff effort on mitigation activities.

Total expenditures for the 12-month period were \$3,167,281 including direct personnel expenses of \$1,494,448, operating costs totaling \$1,332,839, project expenses in the amount of \$335,435 and \$4,559 in capital equipment and fixed asset purchases.

Revenues for the Mitigation Program are derived from a user fee on the water bills of California American Water (CAW) and Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) customers. This fee originated in May 1991 when the Board established a user fee of 2.99 percent. The fee was increased to 4.765 percent effective October 1, 1991. Beginning in July 1993, activities of the Carmel River Management Program were included in the Mitigation Program and the separate user fees were combined for a total of 6.015 percent of the water bill. The fee was increased to 7.215 percent for only the customers of CAW in October 2005, to provide funds to expand the District's Phase 1 Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Project. The rate remained at 6.015 percent for SMWS customers. During the past fiscal year revenues totaled \$2,743,989, including user fee revenues of \$1,858,280. Other revenue sources for the Mitigation Program included \$821,700 in tax revenues, earnings of \$62,008 on the Mitigation Program Fund Balance, \$1,987 in grant revenues and \$14 in reimbursements. The Mitigation Program Fund Balance as of June 30, 2006 was \$1,182,559.

The annual amount spent on mitigation efforts varies from year-to-year because several mitigation measures are highly dependent on weather. Expenditures in fiscal year 2005-06 were approximately \$976,000 more than the prior fiscal year due to increased spending in all categories, as well as a new expenditure of over \$120,000 to develop an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) that will be reimbursed from grant funds to be received from the State of California.

Table XIII-1

Mitigation Program Cost Breakdown for the Period July 2005 through June 2006

<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>Data</u>				<u>Water</u>			
	<u>Collection</u>	<u>Riparian</u>	<u>Fish</u>	<u>Lagoon</u>	<u>Supply</u>	<u>IRGWMP</u>	<u>Admin</u>	<u>Total</u>
Personnel Costs	\$162,316	\$317,769	\$320,214	\$101,766	\$114,137	\$40,905	\$437,342	\$1,494,448
Operating Expenses	135,429	265,133	267,173	84,909	95,231	34,129	450,835	1,332,839
Project Expenses	33,791	16,432	57,736	0	171,256	48,294	7,927	335,435
Fixed Asset Acquisitions							4,559	4,559
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$331,535	\$599,334	\$645,123	\$186,675	\$380,623	\$123,328	\$900,663	\$3,167,281
<u>REVENUES</u>								
User Fees								\$1,858,280
Reimbursements								14
Tax Revenues								821,700
Grant Receipts								1,987
Interest Revenues								62,008
TOTAL REVENUE								\$2,743,989
REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES								(\$423,292)

This Report does not include the Rebate Program, salaries for the Conservation Office Staff or the project expenditures for "Ordinance Enforcement" even though they were booked as part of the Mitigation Program.