Ord Community Ad Hoc Committee (OCAC)

Objective: The goal of the OCAC is to make a recommendation(s) to the District Board of Directors regarding annexation of the Ord Community to the District's service area.

Committee Members

Ila Mettee-McCutchon – Monterey County (Chair)
Ralph Rubio – FORA – (Vice Chair)
John McCutchon – CSUMB
Robert Guidi – US Army
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REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ORD COMMUNITY AD HOC COMMITTEE TO THE MCWD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Ord Community Ad Hoc Committee (OCAC), appointed by the Marina Coast Water District's Board of Directors to advise the Board on MCWD's proposed annexation of lands on the former Fort Ord, has duly met and deliberated and submits this Report and Recommendations.

<u>COMMITTEE CHARGE</u>: The OCAC is charged with reviewing and making recommendations on proposals for the annexation by MCWD of lands on the former Fort Ord (Ord lands). This charge has been interpreted as including review of different organizational, service and governance alternatives and recommendations for an organizational, governance and service structure to provide water and wastewater service on the former Fort Ord to replace the arrangement existing under MCWD's current contracts with the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) and the U.S. Army.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. ANNEXATION.

- 1.1 The OCAC recommends that MCWD not annex all the Ord lands.
- 1.2 The OCAC recommends that MCWD annex the Ord lands within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Marina.
- 1.3 The OCAC recommends that Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) annex the Ord lands within the cities of Seaside, Del Rey Oaks and Monterey.

- 1.4 The OCAC recommends that Seaside County Sanitation District (SCSD) annex the Ord lands within the cities of Seaside and Monterey.
- 1.5 The OCAC recommends that unincorporated Ord lands not be annexed to either the MCWD or the SMWS and the SCSD.
- 1.6 The OCAC recommends that MCWD, SCSD and SMWS be co-applicants to LAFCO for annexation of the Ord lands to be annexed.
- 2. <u>ORGANIZATION</u>. The OCAC recommends that, upon the dissolution of FORA, a joint powers agency (JPA) be organized for all Ord lands, to perform the following functions:
- 2.1 Assume the current FORA responsibility for any unallocated or new water supplies and wastewater treatment capacity to the land use jurisdictions on the Ord lands and for administering the allocations.
- 2.2 Review rates, fees and charges proposed for the Ord lands, to promote equity between different service providers.

3. GOVERNANCE.

- 3.1 The OCAC recommends no changes in governance structure for MCWD, SMWS or SCSD as a result of annexations of Ord lands. Members of the governing bodies of MCWD, SMWS and SCSD will continue to be selected as they are currently selected, taking into account the annexed lands.
- 3.2 The OCAC recommends that representatives to the governing body of the JPA be appointed by the Cities of Seaside, Marina, Del Rey Oaks and Monterey, Monterey County, UC Santa Cruz, CSUMB and the U.S. Army.

4. SERVICE.

- 4.1 The OCAC recommends that lands within the City of Marina be served by MCWD.
- 4.2 The OCAC recommends that lands within the Cities of Seaside, Del Rey Oaks and Monterey be served by SMWS and SCSD.
- 4.3 The OCAC recommends that unincorporated Ord lands be served by contract with the service provider (MCWD or SMWS and SCSD) chosen for lands within their respective control by UCMBEST, CSUMB, and the U.S. Army, and by Monterey County for other unincorporated lands. Contracts will be subject to LAFCO approval.
- 4.4 The OCAC recommends that MCWD, SMWS and SCSD coordinate service and facilities administration by contracts and mutual aid agreements.

4.5 The OCAC recommends that wholesale water be provided by MCWD to SMWS through master meter(s) and that portions of the SCSD annexation area north of Eucalyptus be served by a master meter into the MCWD system.

5. FACILITIES.

- 5.1 The OCAC recommends that facilities owned by MCWD within the Cities of Seaside, Monterey, and Del Rey Oaks may be transferred, leased or sold to SMWS and SCSD, and that joint use agreements be negotiated for jointly used facilities.
- 5.2 The OCAC recommends that water and wastewater capacity necessary to serve the Ord lands within the Cities of Seaside, Del Rey Oaks and Monterey be transferred, leased or sold from MCWD to the respective agencies.