

Marina Coast Water District
Agenda Transmittal

Agenda Item: 5-D

Meeting Date: February 22, 2010

Submitted By: Carl Niizawa
Reviewed By: Jim Heitzman

Presented By: Carl Niizawa

Agenda Title: Direct Staff to Respond to the City of Marina Regarding the Coastal Development Permit for the Regional Desalination Project

Detailed Description: At its February 15th meeting, the Marina City Council reviewed a request, by the RMC acting on behalf of the Regional Desalination Project group, for consolidation of the Coastal Development Permit process by having the California Coastal Commission act as the lead agency for the permit issuance. Council discussion of the item included questions raised by letters received in opposition to the proposed action, the location of the Coastal Commission, and if the consolidation request had been approved by the District Board. The Council decided to continue the item and requested that the Marina Coast Water District respond to the letters, that it endorse the proposed action, and that it request the Coastal Commission to have its permit hearing in Monterey County.

The permitting efforts by RMC on behalf of the Regional Desalination Project was approved as by the Board both as component in the Water Purchase Agreement and the work scope contained in the professional services agreement with RMC. As such, the request for consolidation of the Coastal Development permit on behalf of the Regional Desalination Project was previously approved by the District Board.

To provide a timely response to the Marina City Council request, staff recommends that the Board direct staff to prepare a two letters. The first, to the City confirming that permit activity by RMC on behalf of the Regional Desalination Project has been approved by the Board and requesting the City concur with the consolidated approach to the Coastal Development Permit; and the second to the California Coastal Commission requesting that the Permit hearing be located in Monterey County.

Environmental Review Compliance: None required.

Prior Committee or Board Action: None

Board Goals/Objectives: *Strategic Plan, Mission Statement – Providing high quality water, wastewater and recycled water services to the District's expanding communities through management, conservation and development of future resources at reasonable costs.*

Financial Impact: _____ Yes X No

Funding Source Recap: N/A

Material Included for Information/Consideration: None

Staff Recommendation: The Board of Directors direct staff to respond to the City of Marina request regarding the Coastal Development Permit for the Regional Desalination Project.

Action Requested: _____ Resolution Motion _____ Review _____

Board Action

_____ Resolution No. _____ Motion By _____ Seconded By _____

Ayes: _____ Abstained: _____

Noes: _____ Absent: _____

Reagendized: _____ Date: _____ No Action Taken: _____