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TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Richard Thomasser - District Manager, Napa County Flood Control District

REPORT BY: Christopher Silke - Water Resources Engineering Manager

SUBJECT: Water Supply Update

RECOMMENDATION

- District Manager requests staff provide a presentation on the annual water supply outlook for Napa County and its communities.
- 2. District Manager requests authorization for Chair of the Board to sign Dry Year Water Transfer Agreements upon approval by District Counsel.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

District staff will provide an update to the Board on the status of seasonal precipitation including an update on the State Water Project.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed: Click or tap here to enter text.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The State of California is in the midst of consecutive dry years similar to those experienced in 2014-2015. The so-called "Miracle March" with copious amounts of rainfall did not pan out this water year. Department of Water Resources and Water Boards are signaling severe drought type regulatory actions are necessary to preserve reservoir storage levels and maintain compliance with environmental permits into the fall months. Staff will brief the Board on latest climate, hydrology, storage levels, State Water Project allocations and what the implications are for Napa County in terms of water supply for the

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remainder of this year. Participation in the State Water Project (SWP) Dry Year Transfer Program is necessary to offset a recently announced 5 percent Table A Allocation to Water Contractors by Department of Water Resources. Agreements will be ready for signatures in May to ensure SWP water deliveries over the summer months. Staff is requesting Board approval for the Chair to sign these agreements when they have been approved by District Counsel. The cost for water under these agreements will be reimbursed by the benefiting city through the SWP Agreement between the cities and the District.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

PDF - 2021 Water Supply Outlook Presentation

District Manager Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: