

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board Members

FROM: Deena Reppen, Deputy Executive Director, Regulatory & Public Affairs

DATE: November 13, 2009

SUBJECT: Authorize entering into an Alternative Water Supply agreement with City of Boca Raton in an amount not to exceed \$386,050

Background: The 2005 Florida Legislature authorized annually-recurring funding for alternative water supply development through the Water Protection and Sustainability Program (program). Procedural requirements for this program state that districts must encumber these funds within 19 months of approval. Unspent, encumbered, and unused funds must be certified forward or reallocated to allow the district to retain these funds.

To meet the South Florida Water Management District's match requirements of the Program, reallocation of unallocated and unspent Fiscal Year 2009 budgeted funds totaling \$386,050 is necessary. The recommended project to receive this funding is located in the City of Boca Raton (Exhibit A). Exhibit B reflects one project that was under budget and a re-budgeted amount that resulted in unused funds or encumbered and unspent funds totaling \$95,250 at the end of Fiscal Year 2009. Exhibit C reflects two projects that were under budget and a re-budgeted amount which resulted in unused funds or encumbered and unspent funds totaling \$290,050 at the end of Fiscal Year 2009. The total of funds available for this project is \$386,050.

How this helps meet the District's 10-Year Strategic Plan: The recommended action supports the Water Supply Program strategy to provide financial incentives for water suppliers and users to develop alternative water sources.

Funding Source: The source is previously budgeted and available state and matching District ad valorem funds.

This Board item impacts what areas of the District, both resource areas and geography: The Water Supply Management Department is overseeing this process in cooperation with the Procurement Department, Finance and Administration Department, Office of Counsel, and Regional Service Centers.

What concerns could this Board item raise? If this item is not approved the unused State funds will revert to the Water Protection and Sustainability Program Trust Fund.

Why should the Governing Board approve this item? The funding will further the use of alternative water supplies that support ocean outfall legislation, as mandated by the Florida Legislature and the District's strategic plan.

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Attachment – Resolution, Exhibit A, Exhibit B, & Exhibit C