



# Metropolitan Water Planning

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Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: CITY-COUNTY OFFICE OF METROPOLITAN WATER PLANNING -  
APPROVAL OF THE FY 2001-2002 BUDGET**

**LOCATION AND COUNCIL DISTRICT:** City/County

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the attached resolution, which adopts the FY 2001-2002 budget for the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning (CCOMWP).

**CONTACT PERSON:** Susan Davidson, Senior Administrative Officer, 264-1997

**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:** June 5, 2001

**SUMMARY:**

The CCOMWP total proposed operating budget for FY 2001-2002 is \$1,316,256. The total budget covers FY 2001-2002 expenditures for two elements of the Water Forum Agreement, the first being the Water Forum Successor Effort (WFSE) while the second is the Habitat Management Element (HME). The WFSE portion (\$916,851) of the CCOMWP budget is funded by a number of water purveyors signatory to the Water Forum Agreement. The HME budget (\$399,405) is currently funded by the City, County, and other diverters of non-Central Valley Project (CVP) water from the American River. These two budgets result in a total proposed budget for FY 2001-2002 of \$1,316,256 for the CCOMWP.

**COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:**

A WFSE Coordinating Committee was formed to develop recommendations for the WFSE and to provide guidance to staff related to the WFSE Work Plan, priorities, and budget. This Committee is made up of all cost-sharing partners of the WFSE (Sacramento County Water Agency, cities of Sacramento, Roseville, and Folsom, Placer County Water Agency, San Juan Water District, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, and El Dorado County Water Agency) as well as representatives of the Business, Environmental, and Public Interests of the Water Forum Stakeholder organizations.

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The Committee met on March 21, 2001 to review and approve the CCOMWP Budget and Work Plan for FY 2001-2002. Subsequently, the Budget and Work Plan were presented to and adopted by the WFSE representatives of all 40 Water Forum Stakeholder organizations at their full plenary meeting on May 3, 2001.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

- In the fall of 1991, the City Council and Board of Supervisors authorized the establishment of an independent City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning and approved the Interagency Agreement among the City, County, and County Water Agency for the new CCOMWP. The Second Interagency Agreement was approved by all three agencies on January 9, 2001.
- The CCOMWP is responsible for staffing, administering, and coordinating the Water Forum. Until January 1, 1998, the CCOMWP was financially supported by a 50/50 split by the City's Water Fund and the County's Water Agency (Zone 13).
- On January 1, 1998, the Water Forum entered a transition period during which a number of local government entities (including the City of Sacramento) agreed to cost-share the tasks that needed to be completed prior to implementation of the Water Forum Agreement.
- The Water Forum Agreement, signed in late 1999 through early 2000, included a mechanism for a Water Forum Successor Effort (WFSE) to ensure actual implementation of the Agreement over the next three decades. The WFSE is being administered under the auspices of the CCOMWP. The WFSE will continue the interest-based collaborative process successfully used to develop the Water Forum Agreement.

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

##### Water Forum Successor Effort

Funding continues to be cost-shared by the signatory water purveyors and is based on the number of water connections served by each entity. Exceptions to this arrangement are the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) and the El Dorado County Water Agency (EDCWA) which make negotiated annual contributions:

Cost-sharing partners for the proposed \$850,551 FY 2001-2002 baseline budget include: the County of Sacramento (encompassing the pro rata share of all the water districts in the unincorporated area and the cities of Citrus Heights and Elk Grove) – (\$436,713); the cities of Folsom - (\$30,665), Roseville - (\$61,887) and Sacramento – (\$267,021); the Placer County Water Agency - (\$22,337); the San Juan Water District, in Placer County – (\$12,184); SMUD - (\$11,238); and EDCWA – (\$8,506).

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In addition, the EDCWA on behalf of the El Dorado Irrigation District and the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District again has agreed to reimburse the WFSE for expenses (\$66,300) relating to outreach efforts to assist with future conversion of their procedural agreements into Purveyor Specific Agreements. As soon as these purveyors have completed their outreach efforts and negotiated their Purveyor Specific Agreements with the WFSE, they will contribute to the WSFE budget on the same basis as the current cost-sharing partners.

The cost-share portion of the WFSE budget (\$850,551) plus the additional funding from EDCWA (\$66,300) results in a total operating budget of \$916,851 for the WFSE.

The City of Sacramento's cost-share amount (\$267,021) for the WFSE budget is included in the Department of Utilities proposed FY 2001-2002 budget and is supported by the Water Fund. The other cost-sharing partners have agreed to their funding proration and will execute reimbursement agreements prior to the end of the 2001-2002 FY.

Major expenditures projected for the FY2001-2002 WFSE budget are:

- \$35,000 for development and distribution of publications such as Water Forum's first Annual Report and the State of the River Report;
- \$116,480 for technical consultant services;
- \$214,399 for other services and supplies including office rent and indirect costs paid to the City;
- \$232,085 for other professional services including mediation/facilitation and public outreach; and
- \$318,887 for staff salaries and benefits.

#### Habitat Management Element (HME) of the Water Forum Agreement

One of the obligations in the Water Forum Agreement is the funding of a portion of the HME project and studies. When signing the Water Forum Agreement, the City of Sacramento and the Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA) each committed to fund the HME annually. For FY 2001-2002, the City's portion (\$132,375) is included in the Department of Utilities operating budget and is supported by the Water Fund. The County's portion (\$264,750) is included as a part of the SCWA's Zone 13 budget.

In addition, this will be the first year that other purveyors signatory to the Water Forum Agreement that divert non-Central Valley Project (CVP) water from the American River will pay into the HME Fund. In the calendar year 2000, the San Juan Water District in Placer County diverted 717 acre feet of non-CVP water from the American River over its 1995 baseline amount. In accordance with the Water Forum Agreement, the fee for increased diversions of non-CVP water over the 1995 baseline amounts is \$3.00 per acre foot plus an annual adjustment for inflation. Therefore, the San Juan Water District's portion is based upon 717 acre feet multiplied by \$3.18 per acre foot, which equals \$2,280. In the future, other purveyors (cities of Folsom and Roseville and Placer County Water Agency) will contribute to the HME Fund as their diversions of non-CVP water over their 1995 baseline amounts from

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the American River increase. Although the total funding of \$399,405 is reflected in the proposed FY 2001-2002 CCOMWP budget, it will be expended on behalf of the City, SCWA, and San Juan WD for HME efforts and will not be apportioned to any other cost-sharing partners.

The HME funds are being used in conjunction with a coordinated Multi-Agency Habitat Management Program under the umbrella of the Lower American River (LAR) Task Force. The implementation of the actions necessary to fully preserve the LAR ecosystem is being spearheaded by the Fisheries and In-Stream Habitat Working Group (FISH WG). Their development of a fisheries and aquatic habitat management and restoration plan for the LAR (FISH Plan) will serve at least two purposes — it will serve to implement the HME of the Water Forum Agreement and it is one of the three elements of the River Corridor Management Plan (RCMP) that the LAR Task Force is developing. As a component of the RCMP it helps to create a planning framework and consensus building process for pursuing the Water Forum's and SAFCA's vision and objectives for ecosystem restoration along the LAR.

The major expenditures projected for the FY 2001-2002 include:

- \$37,065 for HME recreation contribution to update the American River Parkway Plan;
- \$67,280 for the production of reports on the baseline health of the LAR, Initial Fisheries and Aquatic Habitat Management and Restoration Plan, River Corridor Management Plan, and State of the River Report; and
- \$295,060 for professional services and supplies including technical fisheries consulting and mediation/facilitation.

#### In-kind Services to WFSE

Although not covered by either the WFSE or HME portions of the CCOMWP budget, several projects are being pursued on behalf of the Water Forum by a number of Water Forum Stakeholders and other agencies. The projects that will continue to be funded during FY 2001-2002 include:

- The services of an attorney are being provided by the City of Folsom, Northridge Water District, and San Juan Water District. The attorney will develop and mediate Upstream Diversion Agreements with the United States Bureau of Reclamation, as well as identify and secure funding opportunities for improvements to Folsom Reservoir recreation facilities, which is one of the mitigations identified in the Water Forum Environmental Impact Report.
- Technical consulting services to help with the development of a recommendation for an updated minimum flow regime to be submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board for establishment as an updated LAR flow standard are being paid for by the City of Sacramento.

- The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the City of Sacramento (on behalf of the CCOMWP) recently entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to work cooperatively to negotiate a groundwater management arrangement for the south area within Sacramento County, provide assistance for an educational phase, and explore the potential for conjunctive use management of the groundwater and surface water resources. During the first phase of the development of a South Area Groundwater Management Program, DWR has agreed to fund the costs of a mediator/facilitator (\$72,000) as well as the costs of groundwater modeling and other consultant services (\$55,000).

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Not applicable.

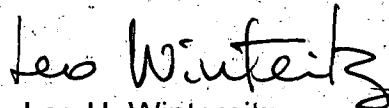
**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

The CCOMWP's FY 2001-2002 proposed budget complies with policy direction provided by the City Council and the Board of Supervisors in forming the CCOMWP, approving the Work Plan, and supporting the efforts of the Water Forum.

**E/SBD CONSIDERATIONS:**

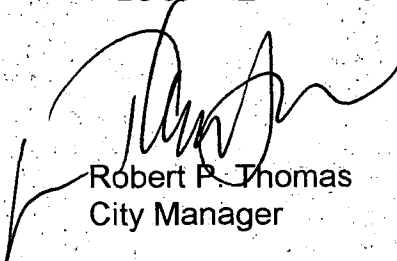
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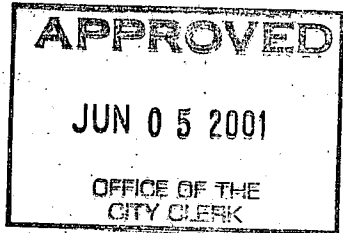


Leo H. Winternitz  
Executive Director

**RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:**



Robert P. Thomas  
City Manager



**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-346**

ADOPTED BY THE SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

ON DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION APPROVING ADOPTION OF THE  
FY 2001-2002 OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE  
CITY-COUNTY OFFICE OF METROPOLITAN WATER PLANNING**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO THAT:**

1. The May 14, 2001 staff report identifying the FY 2001-2002 budget for the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning is hereby approved.
2. In order to establish a FY 2001-2002 budget for the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning Fund (513) for the Water Forum Successor Effort (WFSE), the following budgets are established as shown:
  - a. The FY 2001-2002 Revenue Budget for the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning Fund for the WFSE is hereby established as follows:

513-880-8810-3717	\$267,021
513-880-8810-3598	\$511,519
513-880-8810-3599	<u>\$138,311</u>
	\$916,851

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b. The FY 2001-2002 Expenditure Budget for the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning for the WFSE is hereby established as follows (513-880-8810-\_\_\_\_):

OBJECT CODE	AMOUNT
4101	\$318,137
4190	750
4201	11,000
4202	5,000
4206	720
4209	5,000
4211	1,200
4213	35,000
4231	49,852
4233	4,362
4241	1,000
4251	34,000
4252	116,480
4254	38,000
4258	232,085
4261	1,500
4262	12,500
4263	1,500
4264	500
4270	1,000
4271	400
4272	1,265
4276	5,400
4288	2,000
4411	6,000
4435	1,000
4453	200
4462	3,000
4520	25,000
4630	<u>3,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 916,851

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3. In order to establish a FY 2001-2002 budget for the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning Fund (514) for the Habitat Management Element (HME), the following budgets are established as shown:

a. The FY 2001-2002 Revenue Budget for the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning Fund for the HME is hereby established as follows:

OBJECT CODE	AMOUNT
514-880-8810-3717	\$ 132,375
514-880-8810-3598	264,750
514-880-8810-3599	<u>2,280</u>
TOTAL	\$ 399,405

b. The FY 2001-2002 Expenditure Budget for the City-County Office of Metropolitan Water Planning Fund for the HME is hereby established as follows (514-880-8810-\_\_\_\_\_):

OBJECT CODE	AMOUNT
4201	\$ 300
4213	67,280
4258	330,065
4261	100
4262	660
4411	<u>1,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 399,405

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