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Metropolitan Water District Board Room, Los Angeles

Talking Points for public comment period

- Thank you Chair Gordon and committee members for discussing this very important topic. I am Cathy Green, Board President for the Orange County Water District. We are responsible for managing the groundwater basin that underlies north and central Orange County serving 2.4 million residents.
- One notable example of our efforts to develop local sustainable water supplies is OCWD's partnership with the Orange County Sanitation District to develop the Groundwater Replenishment System, which is the world's largest advanced water purification system for potable reuse.
- The GWRS takes treated wastewater that otherwise would be sent to the Pacific Ocean and purifies it using a three-step advanced process. This year, production of the GWRS increased by 30 million gallons to a total of 100 million gallons per day or enough drinking water for 850,000 people.
- To further develop local sustainable water supplies, the District has approved a Water Purchase Agreement Term Sheet with Poseidon Water to purchase up to 56,000 acre feet per year of desalinated seawater or enough water for more than 400,000 people from the proposed Huntington Beach Desalination Project as a way to increase our local water supplies.
- The District's Long-Term Facilities Plan identifies the Huntington Beach Desalination Project as a "priority" water supply project, and the plant's 56,000 acre feet per year capacity is the single largest source of new, local drinking water supply available to the County.
- The proposed project would be built and operated by Poseidon Water in the City of Huntington Beach.
- OCWD makes decisions that are intended to ensure the availability and security of water supply for the next 40-75 years.

- We look forward to working with you and your legislative colleagues to increase our sustainable water supplies in Orange County and the rest of the California.

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