



Finance and Asset Management Committee

Authorize waiver of late fee incurred by U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

Item 7-8

May 14, 2024

Introduction

Subject

Authorize the waiver of a \$1,052.52 late fee incurred by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation regarding its payments to Metropolitan for exchanging water under the Agreement Relating to Supplemental Water Among the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the San Luis Rey Settlement Parties, and the United States

Introduction

Purpose

Waive \$1,052.52 late fee incurred by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation

Recommendation and Fiscal Impact

Waive and forego \$1,052.52 late fee

Budgeted Not applicable

Presentation Length 5 minutes

Background

- U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) agreed as part of San Luis Rey Indian water rights settlement to exchange deliveries of water with Metropolitan on behalf of the Settlement Parties
- Agreement incorporates Metropolitan Administrative Code Sections 4507 and 4508 regarding payment for the cost of water deliveries
- Section 4508 requires a two percent late fee that may only be waived by the Board

Request to waive late fee

- USBR January 2024 payment was 12 days late due to mistake
- Late fee of \$1,052.52 was assessed
- USBR requested waiver of late fee
- Staff recommends waiver because late payment was inadvertent, unprecedented, and immediately corrected

Board Options

- Option #1

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- Option #2

Do not authorize the waiver of a \$1,052.52 late fee incurred by Reclamation

Staff Recommendation

- Option #1

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