

August 15, 2021

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City of Del Mar
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Padre Dam
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Marine Corps Base
Rainbow
Municipal Water District
Ramona
Municipal Water District
Rincon del Diablo
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Municipal Water District

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REPRESENTATIVE**

County of San Diego

Chair Gray and
Members of the Board of Directors
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
P.O. Box 54153
Los Angeles, CA 90054-0153

RE: Board Memo 7-1: Adopt resolution establishing the tax rate for fiscal year 2021/22

Dear Chair Gray and Board Members:

As you know, we have objected to the imposition of property tax as a result of MWD's suspension of the tax rate limitations contained in Section 124.5 of the MWD Act, for reasons that have been stated in detail in prior letters.¹ Last year, we voted in favor of suspending the tax limitation due to exigent circumstances which are ongoing, including the devastating financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on Southern California water ratepayers.

We look forward to this issue being addressed as part of or as a follow on to our September board retreat.

Sincerely,



Jerry Butkiewicz
Director



S. Gail Goldberg
Director



Michael T. Hogan
Director



Tim Smith
Director

cc: San Diego County Water Authority Board Members and Member Agencies
Adel Hagekhalil, MWD General Manager

¹ See letters dated August 15, 2020, April 9, 2020, August 17, 2019, August 19, 2018, August 14, 2017, August 15, 2016, August 15, 2015, and August 16, 2013, all of which are in the possession of MWD.