

Update on water conservation campaign, including a request for proposal (RFP) for a three-year contract for media buying services not to exceed \$10.5 million Communication and Legislation Committee Item #9-3 October 11, 2021

45,000 visitors to bewaterwise.com and 7 million impressions on social media to date

Our messages will become more actionoriented and specify required reductions or other requirements



CARVE this drought!

When in drought, conserve water.

It's time to reduce use 20%.

For water-saving tips and rebates

New targeted and inlanguage outreach in communities

Placements in 50 locations, primarily in underserved areas in Los Angeles, Inland Empire, Orange County, San Diego counties



- La Opinion Heritage Month
- Co-branding with cities, agencies
- KFI AM 640 'Home with Dean Sharp'





You know the score, Pomona.

Southern Californians know what to do in a drought.

We're counting on you to save and you can count on us to put plans in place for dry years ahead.

Water saved today is water we can keep in reserves for tomorrow.



Coordinated video releases in October, timed for seasonal theme and tied to water-saving tips

Advertising on YouTube with a target of 250k views



Waterwise Tip

Take a five-minute shower and save up to eight gallons.

Conservation Advertising Budget

FY 2020/21-2021/22 Board-approved conservation budget
Currently investing \$1 million for fall/winter campaign

Proposed three-year campaign – not to exceed \$10.5 million
Up to additional \$3.5 million in spring/summer 2022 (from current board-approved conservation budget)

Proposed \$7 million in FY 2022/23 and FY 2023/24 Continuance of contract in second and third years is dependent upon Board approval of funding in biennial budget

Benefits of Using Media Buying Firm

Negotiate to Increase Buying Power

Expanded Multi-media Opportunities

Verify and Track Advertising Placements Added Value, Make-Goods on Media Buys



Next Steps

Review and Score Proposals

Staff to interview top firms for experience, value (December 2021-January 2022)

Award Contract

Return to Board in early 2022 with recommendation to award contract for media placement service

Input from Board

C&L Committee Presentation and incorporate board feedback in (early October)

Issue Request for Proposals

Work with Business Outreach to Ensure Broad Distribution of RFP (late October)

You know the score, SoCal.

> Southern Californians **know what to do** in a drought.

For water-saving tips and robates

C&L Committee

