

#### Helendale Community Services District

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING February 1, 2018 at 6:30 PM 26540 Vista Road, Suite C, Helendale, CA 92342

#### Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

- 1. Approval of Agenda
- 2. Public Participation Anyone wishing to address any matter pertaining to District business listed on the agenda or not, may do so at this time. However, the Board of Directors may not take action on items that are not on the agenda. The public comment period may be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Any member may speak on any agenda item at the time the agenda item is discussed by the Board of Directors.
- 3. Consent Items
  - a. Approval of Minutes: January 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting
  - b. Bills Paid and Presented for Approval

#### 4. Reports

- a. Directors' Reports
- b. General Manager's Report

#### **Public Hearing Items**

- Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Adoption of Ordinance 2018-01: An Ordinance
  of the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District Establishing a Park
  Development Impact Fee Applicable to New Development.
- Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Adoption of Ordinance 2018-02: An Ordinance
  of the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District Establishing
  Regulations for Enforcement of Exclusive Franchise for Solid Waste Handling and
  Recycling Services

#### **Discussion Items**

- Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Adoption of Resolution 2018-03: A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District Establishing Amount of Park Development Impact Fee Applicable to New Development
- Discussion and Possibility Action Regarding Adoption of Resolution 2018-04: A Resolution of the Board of Directors Recertifying the 2010 Sanitary Sewer Management Plan (SSMP)
   As Required By The State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2006-0003 –
   Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) For Sanitary Sewer Systems
- 9. Discussion Only Regarding Wastewater Plan Tertiary Upgrade Report

#### **Other Business**

10. Requested items for next or future agendas (Directors and Staff only)

#### 11. Adjournment

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a), any request for a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary eids or services, that is sought in order to participate in the above agendized public meeting should be directed to the District's General Manager's office at (760) 951-0006 at least 24 hours prior to said meeting. The regular session of the Board meeting will be recorded. Recordings of the Board meetings are kept for the Clerk of the Board's convenience. These recordings are not the official minutes of the Board meetings.

#### **Providing:**

- Water
- Wastewater
- Park & Recreation
- Solid Waste Management
- Street lighting
- Graffiti Abatement for the Helendale Community

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Friday 8:00 – 5:30 p.m.

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#### Minutes of the Helendale Community Services District Board of Directors Meeting for January 18, 2018 at 6:30 PM 26540 Vista Road, Suite C, Helendale, CA 92342

#### **Board Members Present:**

President Ron Clark; Vice President Tim Smith; Secretary Sandy Haas; Director Craig Schneider; Director Henry Spiller

Staff:

General Manager Kimberly Cox Program Coordinator Cheryl Vermette Water Operations Manager Craig Carlson Consultants

Legal Counsel Steve Kennedy

#### Audience:

There were two (2) members of the public present.

**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance –** The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm by President Clark after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### 1. Approval of Agenda

**Action:** Director Schneider made the motion to approve the Agenda as amended. Director Haas seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried. 5 Yes; 0 No

#### 2. Public Participation

Resident Valeria Brown asked if the CSD would be able to post information about the food bank distribution on the District's electronic sign.

#### 3. Consent Items

a. Approval of Minutes: January 18, 2018 Regular Board Meeting

b. Bills Paid and Presented for Approval

**Action:** Vice President Smith made the motion to approve the Consent Items as presented. Director Spiller seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried. 5 Yes: 0 No.

#### 4. Reports

a. Directors' Reports

Director Smith reported that the Veterans Memorial Tree project is moving along and they
are looking at places to plant in Helendale. There was a suggestion to plant trees in the
parking lot at the CSD and dedicate them to Veterans.

b. General Manager's Report

- The District received payment from SDRMA for \$15,913.07 (less \$500 deductible) for the theft of lights and damage to poles at the park.
- County is spraying pre-emergent in flood control areas
- New full-time park employee started on 1/31/18
- New Thrift Store supervisor has been hired and will begin on 1/22
- Alana's last day is 1/31/18

Staff met with County Public Works Manager about road paving project in regards to manhole covers and valves. County staff will be here next week to begin exposing valve lids. County staff will begin on the manholes in April.

New paving project for the south side of Silver Lakes will begin this spring, County will stockpile gravel and stage equipment at the park. We will have left over gravel

for parking area.

The public safety meeting was held on January 8th with over 70 people in attendance.

Program Coordinator Vermette reported on upcoming activities

 Received a call from County HHW that they are not available on our scheduled Clean Up Day, April 14th. Options were given for alternative dates and April 28th was selected.

Coffee with a Cop will be held on January 24th at 9:30 am.

- Air Quality Meeting will be held on January 24th at 5 pm.
- Blood Drive will be held on January 27th from 11 am 4 pm.

Doctor Talk will be held on January 29th at 10 am.

Volunteer Day for baseball fields will be held on February 24th.

Update on baseball fields. Rainbird and Site One are both donating product. Site One will send two of their staff to help with the installation. We will also have volunteers from Boy Scouts and Little League. A calendar of the timeline for the project was presented.

Program Coordinator gave the solid waste report including number of Bulky Item Pick

Ups and customers with extra recycling barrels.

 Graphs were presented for green waste, residential refuse, residential recycling, metal recycling, and television and computer recycling.

General Manager Cox gave the Administrative Update

- Account Activity 48 account transfers for December.
- A chart showing account transfers by type was presented.
- A chart showing account transfers by month was presented.

A map showing account activity by area was shown.

A chart showing percentage of accounts paid on time was presented - 77% of customers paid on-time in December.

A chart showing how customers make their payments was presented – the majority

(33%) of customers make their payments in person.

- A chart showing water consumption was presented. The average consumption for residential service was 9.79 HCF.
- A chart showing the average monthly bill was presented. The average monthly bill in December was \$100.89.

A chart showing UIA payments by month was presented.

• A graph showing credit check results was presented. Four credit checks have been performed, 3 were approved and 1 was denied.

#### **Discussion Items**

5. Discussion Only Regarding First Reading of Ordinance 2018-01: An Ordinance of the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District Establishing a Park Development Impact Fee Applicable to New Development.

Action: President Clark made the motion to waive the reading of the Ordinance. Director Schneider

seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried. 5 Yes; 0 No; 0 absent

6. Discussion Only Regarding First Reading of Ordinance 2018-02: An Ordinance of the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District Establishing Regulations for Enforcement of Exclusive Franchise for Solid Waste Handling and Recycling Services.

**Action:** Vice-President Smith made the motion to waive the reading of the Ordinance. Director Haas seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion carried. 5 Yes; 0 No; 0 absent

7. Discussion Only regarding Mid-Year Budget Review for FY 2017-18

**Action:** None

8. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Adoption of Resolution 2018-01: A Resolution of the District Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District Transferring an Asset and Associated Liability from the Parks Department to Wastewater and Establishing a Pay-Back Agreement.

**Discussion:** The Board would like Staff to talk to an appraiser and get an idea of the value of the land and bring back to the Board for adoption before the next budget is adopted.

Action: None

#### **Other Business**

- 9. Requested items for next or future agendas (Directors and Staff only)
  - Sign Policy
  - Memorial Tree Veterans Project
  - Look at re-fencing the Dog Park
- 8. Adjournment President Clark adjourned the meeting at 7:56 pm

Submitted by:	Attest:
Pon Clark President	Sandy Haas, Secretary

The Board actions represent decisions of the Helendale Community Services District Board of Directors. A digital voice recording and copy of the PowerPoint presentation are available upon request at the Helendale CSD office.



#### Helendale Community Services District

Date:

February 1, 2018

TO:

**Board of Directors** 

FROM:

Kimberly Cox, General Manager

BY:

Sharon Kreinop, Senior Account Specialist

SUBJECT:

Agenda item # 3 b.

Consent Item: Bills Paid and Presented for Approval

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Report Only. Receive and File

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

Staff issued 52 checks for the period of January 12, 2018 through January 29, 2018 totaling \$242,638.64.

Total cash available:

1/29/18

1/11/18

Cash

\$ 4,672,921.25

4,647,913.89

Checks Issued

\$ 242,638.64

\$ 115,303.71

#### **Investment Report**

The Investment Report shows the status of invested District funds. The current interest rate is 1.35% for CalTRUST Short-Term and 1.62% for Medium-Term Investments, 1.239% for LAIF, and 0.25% for the CBB Sweep Account for December 2017. Interest earned in December 2017 on the CalTRUST investments and the CBB Sweep Account is \$3,941.64.



#### Helendale CSD

#### **Bills Paid and Presented for Approval**

**Transaction Detail** 

Issued Date Range: 01/12/2018 - 01/29/2018

Cleared Date Range:

issued					
Date	Number	Description	Amount	Type	Module
Bank Account: 2	251229590 - CBB	Checking			
01/12/2018	20160	Bank of America	-5,372.78	Check	Accounts Payable
01/12/2018	20161	UIA Ultimate Internet Access, Inc	-690.05	Check	Accounts Payable
01/16/2018	20162	KEVIN MURTHA	-203.40	Check	Utility Billing
01/16/2018	20163	WILLIAM RADER	-159.37	Check	Utility Billing
01/16/2018	20164	MATTHEW COLE	-277.00	Check	Utility Billing
01/16/2018	<u>20165</u>	CIANNA LARA-BROWN	-37.11	Check	Utility Billing
01/16/2018	<u>20166</u>	KYUNG T. BAI	-110.88	Check	Utility Billing
01/16/2018	20167	SERVICE LINK NLS LLC	-145.59	Check	Utility Billing
01/16/2018	<u>20168</u>	REGINA BALLARD	-102.50	Check	Utility Billing
01/18/2018	20169	Rogers, Anderson, Malody & Scott	-1,421.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20170	Beck Oil	-1,855.69	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20171	Brunick, McElhaney & Kennedy	-4,412.50	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20172</u>	Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc.	-47,563.01	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20173</u>	Choice Builder	-809.97	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20174</u>	County of San Bernardino	-57.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20175	Daily Press	-725.10	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20176	David Chavez	-343.79	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20177	Forshock	-563.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20178</u>	Infosend	-1,816.98	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20179</u>	Inland Water Works Supply Co.	-385.42	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20180	Lowe's	-76.05	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20181</u>	Michelle Martinez	-70.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20182	Miguel Lamas	-450.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20183</u>	Patton's Sales Corp	-34.23	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20184	RC Jewett Ent	-1,786.44	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20185	Sierra Analytical	-1,370.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20186	Silver Lakes Comunity Service Foundation	-300.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20187	Southern California Edison	-381.22	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20188	Southern California Edison	-1,361.25	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20189	Southern California Edison	-10,086.37	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20190</u>	Southern California Edison	-1,525.15	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20191</u>	Southern California Edison	-646.96	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20192</u>	Southern California Edison	-241.69	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20193</u>	Southern California Edison	-225.61	Check	Accounts Payable Accounts Payable
01/18/2018 01/18/2018	20194 20195	Stotz Equipment SWRCB, DWOCP	-451.59 -90.00	Check	Accounts Payable  Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20195	Tyler Technologies, Inc.	-1,515.60	Check Check	Accounts Payable  Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20197	United Site Services	-1,313.00	Check	Accounts Payable  Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	<u>20197</u> 20198	WaterMaster	-1,481.61	Check	Accounts Payable
01/18/2018	20199	Home Depot Credit Services	-42.11	Check	Accounts Payable
01/13/2018	20200	Betty Parrish	-340.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20201	Citizens Buisness Bank	-149,447.45	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20202	County of San Bernardino, Solid Waste Mgmt. Div.	-693.62	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20203	Extreme Sports Imaging	-400.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20204	Frontier Communications	-112.73	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20205	Geo-Monitor, Inc.	-481.50	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20206	Jonathan A. Escobar	-200.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20207	Official Payments Corp	-59.40	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20208	Shred-it USA LLC	-60.29	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20209	Special District Risk Management Authority	-473.81	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20210	Tyler Technologies, Inc.	-137.00	Check	Accounts Payable
01/24/2018	20211	Verizon Wireless	-728.44	Check	Accounts Payable

**Bank Transaction Report** 

Issued Date Range: -

Bank Account 251229590 Total: (52)

-242,638.64

Report Total: (52)

-242,638.64

#### **Bank Transaction Report**

Bank Account 251229590 CBB Checking			Count 52	Amount -242,638.64
		Report Total:	52	-242,638.64
Cash Account			Count	Amount
99 99-111000 Cash in CBB - Checking			52	-242,638.64
Report Total:			52	-242,638.64
Transaction Type			Count	Amount
	Check		52	-242,638.64
		Report Total:	52	-242,638.64

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#### Helendale Community Services District

Date:

February 1, 2018

TO:

**Board of Directors** 

FROM:

Kimberly Cox, General Manager

SUBJECT:

Agenda item #5

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Adoption of Ordinance 2018-01: An Ordinance of the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District Establishing a Park Development Impact Fee Applicable to New Development

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff seeks input from the Board regarding this matter.

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

This is a public hearing item. The purpose of the public hearing is to provide an opportunity for members of the public or other interested parties to provide input on the proposed development impact fee. In addition, Staff seeks input from the Board regarding the matter. The public meeting regarding this item occurred on January 18. That meeting as well as the public hearing have both been noticed in the newspaper for full disclosure and public information. To date, the District has received no inquiries or objections to the propose development impact fee for new construction.

This item was originally discussed as early at 2008 when the Board first contemplated the purchase of the park property. There was awareness that funding would be needed to help construct the park facilities and support existed from the numerous housing developments under discussion at the time. However, the economy took a turn for the worse, the development projects were put on hold with minimal construction occurring today. Over this protracted time period, Staff discussed a Park Development Impact Fee with the development community who were supportive of the proposal and expressed the need to provide their residents with recreational amenities.

Attachments for the Board's review include a memo drafted by District Legal Counsel dated May 6, 2015, the Park Development Impact Fee Study and Ordinance 2018-01.

Staff retained the services of Stan Hoffman Associates to evaluate the options available to the District and provide a report for the recommended fee. Meetings occurred with County Land Use and County Special Districts staff to ensure concurrence and receive input regarding the proposed fee and process.

The fee contemplated for park development is \$1,720 per single family unit and \$1,274 per multifamily unit. The method of collection of the fee will be at the time other District fees are paid including water and wastewater connection fees. Table 4 on page 13 of the document outlines the anticipated facilities to be funded at the park. Based upon the projected growth, new construction will cover less than 1/3 of the cost of park construction (Section 6) estimated to be over \$6.3 million (Table 4). The total estimated amount of DIF fees based upon 2040 forecasted development is \$1.8 million (Table 9).

FISCAL IMPACT: Estimated \$1.8 million by 2040 based upon projected development.



#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2018-01**

#### AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HELENDALE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT ESTABLISHING A PARK DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE APPLICABLE TO NEW DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the Helendale Community Services District ("District") is a Community Services District located within the County of San Bernardino and is organized and operates pursuant to California Government Code Section 61000 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2951 of the Local Agency Formation Commission of the County of San Bernardino ("LAFCO") adopted on December 4, 2006, the District is the successor agency to San Bernardino County Service Area 70, Improvement Zones B and C; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Condition No. 8 of LAFCO Resolution No. 2951 and Section 61100(e) of the California Government Code, the District is authorized to acquire, construct, improve, maintain, and operate recreation facilities, including but not limited to parks and open space, in the same manner as a recreation and park district formed pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 5780 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Condition No. 8 of LAFCO Resolution No. 2951 and Section 61100(a) of the California Government Code, the District is authorized to supply water for any beneficial uses in the same manner as a municipal water district formed pursuant to California Water Code Section 71000 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, under California Water Code Sections 71613-71617, a municipal water district is authorized to fix rates and charges for the water it delivers; and

WHEREAS, under California Water Code Section 61115(a), the District is authorized to establish rates or other charges for services and facilities that the District supplies and to provide for the collection and enforcement of those rates or other charges; and

WHEREAS, under California Government Code Section 66000 et seq. ("the Mitigation Fee Act"), the District is deemed a local agency that is authorized to establish development impact fees on residential, commercial, and industrial development project to fund the public improvements made necessary by such development projects; and

WHEREAS, as a condition to exacting such development impact fees, the District must establish the nexus and make certain statutory findings regarding the relationships between the types and amounts of the development impact fees, the types of development projects, and the need for public facilities and infrastructure improvements pursuant to the Mitigation Fee Act in order to ensure that the development impact fees paid by developers are proportional to the impacts caused by their development; and

WHEREAS, the District retained an experienced and reputable expert consultant, Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc. ("Hoffman"), to prepare a nexus study to analyze the impacts of development and calculate the appropriate level of development impact fees; and

WHEREAS, Hoffman's report, the "Helendale CSD Park Development Impact Fee (DIF) Study" dated April 4, 2017 ("DIF Study"), establishes the required nexus and relationships for imposing development impact fees on development projects of various types, and documents the need for facilities created by new development and the estimated cost of the new park and recreation facilities which will be required; and

WHEREAS, the DIF Study concludes that development impact fees for public park and recreation facilities are necessary to offset the impact of new development on the District's services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed development impact fees are described in detail in the DIF Study and are subject to approval by the District's Board of Directors ("Board") after a public hearing in accordance with the Mitigation Fee Act; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Ordinance is to establish the development impact fee described in the DIF Study, while the actual amount of the development impact fee will be set and adjusted from time to time by separate Resolution in accordance with the procedures contained in the Mitigation Fee Act; and

WHEREAS, the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, and approval of rates and fees is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act as provided by California Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8); and

WHEREAS, the amount of the fees and charges hereby adopted do not exceed the reasonable anticipated costs for the corresponding services provided by the District, and therefore the fees imposed hereby to not qualify as "special taxes" under Government Code Section 50076, and the actions taken herein are exempt from the additional notice and public meeting requirements of the Brown Act pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.6(a)(1)(A) and (B); and

WHEREAS, the fees and charges set forth herein are not levied upon any person as an incident of property ownership, and thus are not subject to the substantive and procedural prerequisites of Article XIIID of the California Constitution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District, after conducting a public hearing duly noticed pursuant to the Mitigation Fee Act, as follows:

SECTION 1. <u>RECITALS INCORPORATED</u>. The foregoing Recitals are incorporated herein by this reference as if set forth in full.

SECTION 2. <u>DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES</u>. The public interest and necessity as described in the oral and written testimony and evidence presented during the public hearing on this matter, all of which are incorporated herein by this reference, requires the Board to establish the District's Development Impact Fee as follows:

#### a. Purpose and Intent.

- 1. It is the purpose and intent of this Ordinance to establish a Development Impact Fee to fund the acquisition, design, and construction of certain public park and recreation facilities necessary to serve new development within the District. The public park and recreation facilities to be funded by the Development Impact Fee are described in detail in the DIF Study approved by the Board and incorporated herein by this reference.
- 2. The Development Impact Fee established under this Ordinance are in addition to any other rates, fees, charges, or assessments imposed as a condition of water service from the District, or under the provisions of any state or federal law, or other provisions of the District's ordinances, resolution, policies, or procedures.

#### b. Imposition and Accounting.

- 1. No developer, property owner, or other person or entity shall be eligible to receive water service for any development project unless the provisions of this Ordinance have first been complied with for that project. The requirements herein after hereby imposed as a condition of approval for each development project in addition to being a requirement of this Ordinance.
- 2. The Development Impact Fee amount shall be established and adjusted by separate Resolution of the Board adopted from time to time in accordance with the procedures set forth in state law.
- 3. Development Impact Fees paid pursuant to this Ordinance shall be segregated and deposited into a separate fund and used only for the purpose of acquiring, designing, constructing, and improving public park and recreation facilities to the extent permitted by law.
- 4. The District may impose such additional conditions of approval for water service to the development project as are necessary and appropriate to implement the purposes of this Ordinance.

- c. <u>Credit and Reimbursement</u>. For qualifying public park facilities constructed as part of a development project, the Board may establish policies and procedures for granting credit against the Development Impact Fee or providing for reimbursement from a Development Impact Fee paid by other developers. Such policies and procedures shall be established by separate Resolution.
- SECTION 3. <u>APPLICATION</u>. This Ordinance shall apply to all development projects for which Development Impact Fees have not been paid as of the date specified in the Resolution establishing the amount of said Development Impact Fee, excepting only those development projects that are subject to an existing development agreement where such agreement expressly provides for the amount and timing of development impact fees.
- SECTION 4. <u>ENFORCEMENT OFFICER</u>. The District's General Manager is hereby declared and appointed as the enforcement officer of this Ordinance, and shall be empowered to take such other actions as authorized herein, or as may otherwise be authorized by the Board or be reasonably necessary, for enforcement of the Ordinance.
- SECTION 5. <u>RESERVATION OF RIGHTS</u>. All remedies set forth in this Ordinance are herein declared to be cumulative and non-exclusive, and shall not preclude the District from enforcing any other rights or remedies available under the law or any other rules and regulations of the District.
- SECTION 6. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
- SECTION 7. <u>PUBLICATION AND POSTING</u>. The District's General Manager is hereby directed to cause a summary of this Ordinance to be published at least five (5) days prior to the date of adoption hereof in a newspaper of general circulation within the District boundaries and a copy of the full text of this Ordinance must be posted at the District office at least five (5) days prior to the meeting. Within fifteen (15) days after adoption, the District's General Manager is hereby directed to cause said summary of this Ordinance to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the District boundaries and a copy of the full text of this Ordinance must be posted at the District office.

SECTION 8. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>. This Ordinance shall become effective sixty (60) days after adoption.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 1st day of February, 2018.

Ron Clark, President, Board of Directors

STATE OF CALIFO	RNIA	)		
COUNTY OF SAN E	BERNARDINO	)		
Ordinance No.	, Secretary of Solutions District, do hereby, was duly adopte said Board held on wing roll call vote:	d by the Boar	d of Directors	of said District at a
AYES:				
NOES:				
ABSTAIN:				
ABSENT:				
ATTEST:				
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#### Helendale Community Services District

Date:

February 1, 2018

TO:

**Board of Directors** 

FROM:

Kimberly Cox, General Manager

SUBJECT:

Agenda item #6

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Adoption of Ordinance 2018-02: An Ordinance of the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District Establishing Regulations for Enforcement of Exclusive Franchise for Solid Waste

**Handling and Recycling Services** 

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff seeks input from the Board regarding this matter.

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

The is a public hearing. The purpose of the public hearing is to provide an opportunity for members of the public or other interested parties to provide input on the proposed ordinance. In addition, Staff seeks input from the Board regarding the matter. The public meeting regarding this item occurred on January 18. That meeting as well as the public hearing have both been noticed in the newspaper for full disclosure and public information. To date, the District has received no inquiries or objections to the proposed regulations for enforcement of the exclusive franchise agreement with Burrtec Waste Industries.

In December, the Board of Directors approved a new exclusive franchise agreement with Burrtec Waste Industries for solid waste handling and recycling services. Article 3 of the contract discusses the exclusive franchise to Burrtec for the outlined services. This presented ordinance provides the franchisee with assurance from the District that no other haulers will be allowed to provide service within the District's boundaries except as otherwise outlined in the contract. Further, the proposed ordinance contemplates the ability of the District to issue citations for violations that are enforceable within the District lawful authority (Section 6).

The proposed draft ordinance provides certain assurances to the existing franchise waste hauler that the District will support the exclusive franchise agreement within the terms of the contract and its power to do so through exacting fines and citations from those operating in conflict with the contract.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Unknown



#### ORDINANCE NO. 2018-02

## ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HELENDALE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR ENFORCEMENT OF EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR SOLID WASTE HANDLING AND RECYCLING SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Helendale Community Services District ("District") is a Community Services District located within the County of San Bernardino ("County") and is organized and operates pursuant to the California Government Code Section 61000 et seq.

WHEREAS, on or about June 21, 2006, the Local Agency Formation Commission of the County of San Bernardino ("LAFCO") adopted Resolution No. 2927 which made determinations on, and approved the incorporation of, the District, which was subsequently approved by the electorate pursuant to an election held on November 7, 2006, and thereafter confirmed by LAFCO pursuant to its adoption of Resolution No. 2951 on December 4, 2006, all of which operated to authorize the formation of the District as the successor agency for the performance of water, sewer, streetlighting, refuse collection, parks and recreation, and graffiti abatement functions and services within the prior County Service Area 70, Improvement Zones B and C (the "District Boundaries").

WHEREAS, LAFCO Resolution Nos. 2927 and 2951 authorize the District to collect, transfer, and dispose of solid waste and to provide solid waste handling services, including but not limited to source reduction, recycling, and composting activities, pursuant to Division 30 (commencing with Section 40000), and consistent with Section 41821.2 of the Public Resources Code ("Solid Waste Services"), within the District Boundaries.

WHEREAS, on or about July 21, 2010, LAFCO adopted Resolution No. 3099 affirming the District's authorization to collect, transfer, and dispose of solid waste and provide Solid Waste Services within the District Boundaries pursuant to LAFCO Resolution Nos. 2927 and 2951.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of California, by enactment of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (California Public Resources Code Section 40000 et seq.), has declared that it is in the public interest to authorize and require local agencies to make adequate provisions for Solid Waste Services within their jurisdictions to meet the goals and requirements of Assembly Bill 939.

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 40059(a)(2), the District has determined that the public health, safety, and well-being require that an exclusive franchise be awarded to a qualified company for the collection, transportation, recycling, processing, and disposal of solid waste and other services to meet the goals and requirements of Assembly Bill 939.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority expressly set forth in LAFCO Resolution No. 2951, the District entered into an Exclusive Franchise Agreement with Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc. ("Burrtec"), effective \_\_\_\_\_\_, 201\_ (the "Franchise Agreement"), which granted to Burrtec the exclusive right, privilege, and franchise to provide certain Solid Waste Services (as described in the Franchise Agreement) within the District Boundaries, subject to the terms and conditions of said Franchise Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District as follows:

#### SECTION 1. PURPOSE, INTENT, AND FINDINGS.

#### 1.1 The purposes of this Ordinance are as follows:

- a. To allow for the establishment of solid waste handling franchises within the District Boundaries, pursuant to the authorities cited above and as set forth in Government Code Section 25827, in Public Resources Code Sections 40057-40059 or 49200-49205, in California Code of Regulations Sections 17332 and 17333, and any other applicable State or local law;
- b. To assist the District in meeting its obligation to provide Solid Waste Services within the District Boundaries as required in Public Resources Code Section 40057, and in satisfying its obligations under Assembly Bill 939, as amended, by providing its residents with source reduction, recycling, and composing programs and opportunities, by implementation of franchises through entering into franchise agreements with grantees;
- c. To help ensure that residents of the District receive the similar quality of waste collection and recycling services as do those residents in the incorporated cities and towns, and unincorporated areas, of the County;
- d. To ensure that programs and service levels for Solid Waste Services within the District Boundaries will replicate to the extent possible, programs and service levels of adjacent cities and towns and unincorporated areas of the County;
- e. To minimize, to the extent possible, disruption of programs and services to the District's residents; and
- f. To help quantify the waste stream from the District in order to comply with diversion requirements of Assembly Bill 939, as amended.

1.2 Based on the foregoing, the District's Board of Directors ("the Board") has determined that there is no possibility that the Ordinance have any potential to cause significant effects on the environment, and that, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.) ("CEQA"), the Ordinance does not constitute a "project" under Sections 15061 and 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines, and is therefore exempt from environmental review.

#### SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.

- 2.1 "General Manager" shall mean that person appointed by the Board pursuant to California Government Code Sections 61050-61051 to manage the activities of the District or his or her designee.
  - 2.2 "May" shall mean an action which is discretionary.
  - 2.3 "Shall" or "Must" shall mean an action which is mandatory.

#### SECTION 3. REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION.

- 3.1 Except as otherwise provided in Section 3.2 of this Ordinance, no person shall engage in, solicit, contract for, or provide, in the District Boundaries, Solid Waste Services without such person having and maintaining a franchise agreement with the District authorizing the person to provide the specified Solid Waste Services being provided.
- 3.2 Notwithstanding Section 3.1 above, any person may engage in or provide, in the District Boundaries, those Solid Waste Services which are related solely to one of the types of solid waste set forth below, without such person being required to have or maintain a franchise agreement with the District:
  - a. Abandoned vehicles and parts thereof;
  - b. Ashes;
  - c. Dewater, treated, or chemically fixed sewage sludge;
  - d. Self-generated waste or waste generated and hauled by the property owner;
- e. Greenwaste or yard trimmings generated as an incidental part of providing gardening, landscaping, or landscape maintenance as a professional gardener or landscaper;
- f. Inert materials or demolition of waste from remodeling jobs which are generated as an incidental part of providing such remodeling services, provided that the construction contractor is not a hauling service or solid waste enterprise, does not separately or

additionally charge for the incidental service of removing, transporting, or disposing (except for the tipping fee), and transportation is accomplished using the contractor's own equipment; and

- g. Recyclable materials that are sold or donated by the generator of such materials to a party or other than the grantee of a franchise. A mere discount or reduction in price of the hauler's chargers for the handling of such materials is not a sale or donation within the meaning of this Ordinance.
- SECTION 4. ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. The General Manager is hereby declared and appointed as the enforcement officer of this Ordinance, and shall be empowered to take such other actions as authorized herein, or as may otherwise be authorized by the Board or be reasonably necessary, for enforcement of the Ordinance.
- SECTION 5. LIABILITY FOR VIOLATION. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance, or permitting or maintaining any property in violation of any of this Ordinance, shall be liable to the District for any expense, loss or damage, occasioned by the District by reason of such violation. Such liability shall be in addition to any other civil or criminal penalties imposed under this Ordinance or under any other provision of law.

#### SECTION 6. PENALTIES AND FINES.

- 6.1 Pursuant to Government Code Section 61064(c), the General Manager is hereby authorized to issue citations for violations of this Ordinance. Any person violating any provision of this Ordinance, as determined by the Board, may be prosecuted, by the applicable law enforcement agency or the General Manager in the name of the people of the State of California, as committing either a misdemeanor or an infraction, or may be the subject of redress by civil action.
- 6.2 Pursuant to Government Code Section 61064(a), a person violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punishable by imprisonment in the County jail for not more than thirty (30) days, or by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or by both such fine and imprisonment as may be allowed by law. Each and every violation of this Ordinance and each day during which such violation is committed or continued shall constitute a separate offense.
- 6.3 Pursuant to Government Code Section 61064(b), any citation issued by the General Manager for a violation of this Ordinance may be processed as an infraction, and shall be punishable by (a) a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) for a first violation of this Ordinance, (b) a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) for a second violation of this Ordinance within one year, and (c) a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each additional violation of this Ordinance within one year.

SECTION 7. INJUNCTION. In addition to the remedies set forth in this Ordinance, the District may file a civil action to compel compliance with this Ordinance, including but expressly not

limited to, an action to enjoin any pending or future violations of the Ordinance, or for the issuance of an order stopping or disconnecting a service if the charges for that service are delinquent or unpaid.

SECTION 8. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS. All remedies set forth in this Ordinance are herein declared to be cumulative and non-exclusive, and shall not preclude the District from enforcing any other rights or remedies available under the law or any other rules and regulations of the District.

SECTION 9. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 10. PUBLICATION AND POSTING. The General Manager is hereby directed to cause a summary of this Ordinance to be published at least five (5) days prior to the date of adoption hereof in a newspaper of general circulation within the District Boundaries and a copy of the full text of this Ordinance must be posted at the District office at least five (5) days prior to the meeting. Within fifteen (15) days after adoption, the General Manager is hereby directed to cause said summary of this Ordinance to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the District Boundaries and a copy of the full text of this Ordinance must be posted at the District office.

SECTION 11. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this	_day of	, 2017.	
		President, Board of Directors	

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#### **Helendale Community Services District**

Date:

January 18, 2018

TO:

**Board of Directors** 

FROM:

Kimberly Cox, General Manager

SUBJECT:

Agenda item #7

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Adoption of Resolution 2018-03: A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District

Establishing Amount of Park Development Impact Fee Applicable To New

Development

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff seeks input from the Board regarding the proposed resolution.

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

This agenda item is a companion item to #5 on the agenda. If the Board adopts the Park Development Impact Fee, this resolution sets forth the District's authority, fee amount and other related mechanics related thereto.

The resolution outlines in Section2 the fees for single-family and multi-family units. There is no fee for commercial. Exhibit A of the resolution is the Development Impact Fee Study completed by the District's consultant, Stan Hoffman Associates.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Additional revenue from new development for the park as outlined in the resolution.



#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-03**

### A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HELENDALE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT ESTABLISHING AMOUNT OF PARK DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE APPLICABLE TO NEW DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the Helendale Community Services District ("District") is a Community Services District located within the County of San Bernardino and is organized and operates pursuant to California Government Code Section 61000 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2951 of the Local Agency Formation Commission of the County of San Bernardino ("LAFCO") adopted on December 4, 2006, the District is the successor agency to San Bernardino County Service Area 70, Improvement Zones B and C; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Condition No. 8 of LAFCO Resolution No. 2951 and Section 61100(e) of the California Government Code, the District is authorized to acquire, construct, improve, maintain, and operate recreation facilities, including but not limited to parks and open space, in the same manner as a recreation and park district formed pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 5780 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, under California Government Code Section 66000 et seq. ("the Mitigation Fee Act"), the District is deemed a local agency that is authorized to establish development impact fees on residential, commercial, and industrial development project to fund the public improvements made necessary by such development projects; and

WHEREAS, as a condition to exacting such development impact fees, the District must establish the nexus and make certain statutory findings regarding the relationships between the types and amounts of the development impact fees, the types of development projects, and the need for public facilities and infrastructure improvements pursuant to the Mitigation Fee Act in order to ensure that the development impact fees paid by developers are proportional to the impacts caused by their development; and

WHEREAS, the District retained an experienced and reputable expert consultant, Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc. ("Hoffman"), to prepare a nexus study to analyze the impacts of development and calculate the appropriate level of development impact fees; and

WHEREAS, Hoffman's report, the "Helendale CSD Park Development Impact Fee (DIF) Study" dated April 4, 2017 ("DIF Study"), a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference, establishes the required nexus and relationships for imposing development impact fees on development projects of various types,

and documents the need for facilities created by new development and the estimated cost of the new park and recreation facilities which will be required; and

WHEREAS, the DIF Study concludes that development impact fees for public park and recreation facilities are necessary to offset the impact of new development on the District's services; and

WHEREAS, the proposed development impact fees are described in detail in the DIF Study and are subject to approval by the District's Board of Directors ("Board") after a public hearing in accordance with the Mitigation Fee Act; and

WHEREAS, on or about February 1, 2018, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 2018-1 which established the development impact fee described in the DIF Study, while the actual amount of the development impact fee will be set and adjusted from time to time by separate Resolution in accordance with the procedures contained in the Mitigation Fee Act; and

WHEREAS, the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, and approval of rates and fees is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act as provided by California Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(8); and

WHEREAS, the amount of the fees and charges hereby adopted do not exceed the reasonable anticipated costs for the corresponding services provided by the District, and therefore the fees imposed hereby to not qualify as "special taxes" under Government Code Section 50076, and the actions taken herein are exempt from the additional notice and public meeting requirements of the Brown Act pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.6(a)(1)(A) and (B); and

WHEREAS, the fees and charges set forth herein are not levied upon any person as an incident of property ownership, and thus are not subject to the substantive and procedural prerequisites of Article XIIID of the California Constitution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District, after conducting a public hearing duly noticed pursuant to the Mitigation Fee Act, as follows:

SECTION 1. <u>RECITALS INCORPORATED</u>. The foregoing Recitals are incorporated herein by this reference as if set forth in full.

- SECTION 2. <u>DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES</u>. The public interest and necessity as described in the oral and written testimony and evidence presented during the public hearing on this matter, including but not limited to the DIF Study, all of which are incorporated herein by this reference, requires the Board to establish the amount of the District's Development Impact Fee as follows:
- a. The sum of \$1,720 per single-family unit shall be collected at the time other District fees are paid upon application for service, including water and wastewater connection fees.
- b. The sum of \$1,274 per multi-family unit shall be collected at the time other District fees are paid upon application for service, including water and wastewater connection fees.

SECTION 3. APPLICATION. This Resolution shall apply to all development projects for which Development Impact Fees have not been paid as of the date set forth in Section 5 below, excepting only those development projects that are subject to an existing development agreement where such agreement expressly provides for the amount and timing of development impact fees.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall become effective sixty (60) days after adoption.

Secretary of the Helendale Community Services District and of the Board of Directors thereof

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 1st da	y of Fel	bruary, 201	18.
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA	)	١	
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NOES:			
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# Helendale CSD Park Development Impact Fee (DIF) Study

#### Prepared for:

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Adopted: January 18, 2018

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This study presents an analysis of a community park development impact fee (DIF) per new housing unit for the Helendale Community Services District (Helendale CSD). Helendale, which includes the community of Silver Lakes, is an unincorporated community and Census-Designated Place located in San Bernardino County, California, on historic Route 66 west of the Mojave Freeway, between Barstow and Victorville, in the Victor Valley. The current boundary of the district is shown in Figure 1 along with the boundary of its sphere of influence (SOI). The SOI constitutes areas that may be annexed into the district's boundary in the future. This report presents an analysis of a potential community park DIF for the current Helendale CSD boundaries.

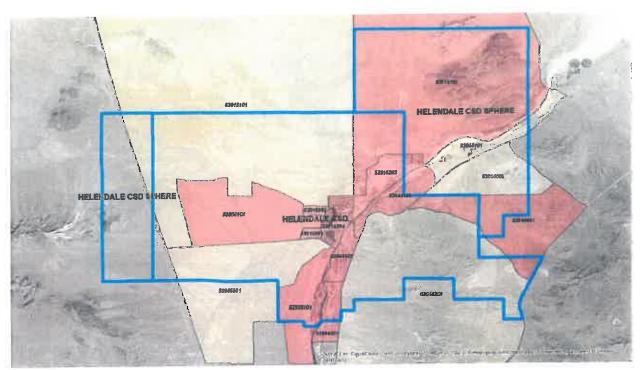
Parks and recreation is one of the services that the Helendale CSD is authorized to provide. Toward this end, the Helendale CSD has acquired acreage that is suitable for community park facilities and is in the process of developing 20.5 acres as part of the Long-Range Community Park Plan that will serve the entire community. The Silver Lakes community provides a number of local park and recreation facilities and amenities. This analysis only considers the potential impact fee for community parks and does not analyze a DIF for smaller, in-tractpark facilities which may be considered in the future or may continue to be provided by each developer as a requirement for their project.

This analysis is based on an AB 1600 development impact fee analysis where the community park needs for the existing and future population is considered and a fair share pro rata cost allocation is developed. This is in contrast to a Quimby Act fee analysis where the Quimby Act allows for a standard of 3 acres per 1,000 persons at a minimum for residential subdivisions up to a maximum of 5 acres per 1,000 persons if a community can show that it has provided park facilities at that level. However, the AB 1600 approach was taken as there are restrictions that are considered limiting when using the Quimby Act standard, as discussed in the study.

In 2017 constant dollars, the estimated DIF per new housing unit for the current Helendale CSD boundaryis \$1,720 per single family unit and \$1,274 per multi-family unit. This amount is calculated by allocating the total estimated community park costs of \$6,605,353between single family and multi-family units on the basis of population and then dividing by the 2040 forecast of single family and multi-family housing units for the Helendale CSD. Single family units are defined as single family attached and single family detached; multi-family units are defined as apartments, townhomes and condominiums of two (2) or more units in a structure.

The development impact fee per housing unitby type is then multiplied times the forecasted growthfrom 2012 to 2040 of 874 new single family housing unitsand 246 new multi-family units for the Helendale CSD; this results in projected development impact fee revenues of \$1,816,684 in 2017constant dollars. Thus, by 2040 the new growth is forecasted to cover about 27 percent of the estimated community park construction costs for the Helendale CSD in constant 2017 dollars.

Figure 1
Community Services District and Sphere of Influence Boundaries
Helendale Community Services District



#### SECTION 1 Introduction

To plan effectively for new residential development and to identify the public park and recreation facilities and costs associated with mitigating the direct and cumulative impacts of new residential development, Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc. (SRHA) and David Taussig & Associates, Inc. (DTA) were retained by the Helendale Community Services District (Helendale CSD) to prepare a new AB 1600 Fee Justification Study (Park Development Impact Fee Study).

The decision was made to establish a development impact fee (DIF) for park land and facilities pursuant to AB 1600, or Section 66000 *et seq.* of the Government Code, rather than the Quimby Act, or Section 66477 of the Government Code, for the following reasons:

- AB 1600 authorizes the establishment of a fee in an amount equal to the cost of land and improvements, while fees established pursuant to the Quimby Act may be only based on the cost of land;
- AB 1600 authorizes the imposition of fees on all new development, while the Quimby Act prohibits the imposition of fees on residential development that will not require any subdivision of land;
- Also, the Quimby Act prohibits the imposition of fees on: (i) subdivisions containing less than five (5) parcels and not used for residential purposes, (ii) commercial or industrial projects, or (iii) condominium projects that consist of a subdivision of airspace in an existing apartment building that is more than five (5) years old when no new dwelling units are added.

The need for this Park Fee Study is driven by anticipated residential development and complies with AB 1600, which was enacted by the State of California in 1987, by identifying public park and recreation facilities required by new residential development and determining the level of fees that may be imposed to pay the costs of such facilities. Fee amounts have been determined that will financepark and recreation facilities based on the Helendale CSD's Long-Range Community Park Plan. The park and recreation facilities and estimated land acquisition and associated construction costs are identified in Section 4. All new residential development may be required to pay its "fair share" of the cost of the park and recreation facilities through the park and recreation facilities DIF program.

Based upon the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority's 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecast, new residential development is expected to result in 1,119 new housing units and 2,107 new residents within the Helendale CSD by 2040. This represents about a 38% increase in housing units compared to the 2012 estimated 2,977 housing units, and an approximate 39% increase in population compared with the estimated 2012 population of 5,363, according to the preliminary forecasts. The Helendale CSD will need to expand its public park and recreation facilities to accommodate the impacts of this growth. AB1600 fees will help finance park and recreation facilities which are needed to mitigate these impacts. The following steps were:

- 1. Demographic Assumptions: Identify future housing growth that will generate an increased demand for park and recreation facilities.
- 2. Facility Needs and Costs: Identify the type and cost of park and recreation facilities required to meet the demands of new residential development.
- 3. Cost Allocation: Allocate these costs per new residential dwelling unit.
- 4. Fee Schedule: Calculate the development impact fee per new residential dwelling unit.

#### SECTION 2 Legal Requirements to Justify Development Impact Fees

Prior to World War II, development in California was held responsible for very little of the cost of public infrastructure. Public improvements were financed primarily through jurisdictional general funds and utility charges. It was not uncommon during this period for speculators to subdivide tracts of land without providing any public improvements, expecting the closest city to eventually annex a project and provide public improvements and services.

However, starting in the late 1940s, the use of impact fees grew with the increased planning and regulation of new development. During the 1960s and 1970s, the California Courts broadened the right of local government to impose fees on developers for public improvements that were not located on-site. More recently, with the passage of Proposition 13, the limits on general revenues for new infrastructure have resulted in new development being held responsible for a greater share of public improvements, and both the use and levels of impact fees have grown substantially.

The levy of impact fees is one authorized method of financing the public facilities necessary to mitigate the impacts of new development. A fee is "a monetary exaction, other than a tax or special assessment, which is charged by a local agency to the applicant in connection with approval of a development project for the purpose of defraying all or a portion of the cost of public facilities related to the development project..." (California Government Code, Section 66000). A fee may be levied for each type of capital improvement required for new development, with the payment of the fee typically occurring prior to the beginning of construction of a dwelling unit. Fees are often levied at final map recordation, issuance of a certificate of occupancy, or more commonly, at building permit issuance. However, Assembly Bill ("AB") 2604 (Torrico) which was signed into law in August 2008, encourages public agencies to defer the collection of fees until close of escrow to an end user in an attempt to assist California's thentroubled building industry.

The authority of local governments to impose impact fees on development is derived from their police power to protect the health and welfare of citizens under the California Constitution (Article 11, Section 7). Furthermore, the California Mitigation Fee Act provides a prescriptive guide to establishing and administering impact fees based on "constitutional and decisional law." Development impact fees ("DIFs") were enacted under Assembly Bill 1600 by the California Legislature in 1987 and codified under California Government Code §66000 *et seq.* also referred to as "AB 1600."

AB 1600 defines local governments to include cities, counties, school districts, special districts, authorities, agencies, and other municipal corporations. Fees governed by the Act include development fees of general applicability, and fees negotiated for individual projects. AB 1600 does not apply to user-fees for processing development applications or permits, fees governed by other statutes (e.g., the Quimby Act), developer agreements, or penalties, or fees specifically excluded by AB 1600 (e.g., fees collected pursuant to agreements with former redevelopment agencies or various reimbursement agreements).

Public facilities that can be funded with impact fees are defined by AB 1600 as "public improvements, public services, and community amenities." Government Code, §65913.8 precludes the use of DIFs to fund maintenance or services, with limited exceptions for very small improvements and certain temporary measures needed by certain special districts. In combination, these provisions effectively restrict the use of most impact fees to public capital improvements.<sup>1</sup>

The Helendale CSD has identified the need to levy development impact fees to pay for public park and recreation facilities. The development impact fees presented in this study will finance public park and recreation facilities for new development at the level established by Helendale CSD in its Long-Range Community Park Plan. Upon the adoption of the Park Fee Study and required legal documents by the Helendale CSD Board, all new residential development will be required to pay its "fair share" of the cost of public park and recreation facilities through these development impact fees.

In 2006, Government Code Section 66001 was amended to clarify that a development impact fee cannot include costs attributable to existing deficiencies, but can fund costs used to maintain the existing level of service or meet an adopted level of service that is consistent with the general plan. This Park Fee Study for the Helendale CSD is intended to meet the nexus or benefit requirements of AB 1600, which mandates that there is a nexus between fees imposed, the use of the fees, and the development projects on which the fees are imposed.

Section 66000 et seq. of the Government Code requires that all public agencies satisfy the following requirements when establishing, increasing or imposing a fee as a condition of new development:

- Identify the purpose of the fee. (Government Code Section 66001(a)(1))
- 2. Identify the use to which the fee will be put. (Government Code Section 66001(a)(2))
- 3. Determine that there is a reasonable relationship between the fee's use and the type of development on which the fee is to be imposed. (Government Code Section 66001(a)(3))
- 4. Determine how there is a reasonable relationship between the need for the public facility and the type of development project on which the fee is to be imposed. (Government Code Section 66001(a)(4))
- 5. Discuss how there is a reasonable relationship between the amount of the fee and the cost of the public facility or portion of the public facility attributable to the development on which the fee is imposed.

Identifying these items will enable a development impact fee to meet the nexus and rough proportionality requirements established by previous court cases. This section presents each of these items as they relate to the imposition within the Helendale CSD of the proposed development impact fees for public park and recreation facilities. Current state financing and fee

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>For general information, please see: "Exactions and Impact Fees in California: A Comprehensive Guide to Policy, Practice, and the Law," edited by William Abbott, et al., Solano Press Books, 2012 Third Edition.

assessment requirements only allow new development to pay for its fair share of new facilities' costs. Any current deficiencies resulting from the needs of existing development must be funded through other sources. Therefore, a key element to establishing legal development impact fees is to determine what share of the benefit or cost of the new facilities can be equitably assigned to existing development, even if the facilities have not yet been constructed. By removing this factor, the true impact of new development can be assessed and equitable development impact fees assigned.

Purpose of the Fee (Government Code Section 66001(a) (1)). Based upon projections from the San Bernardino Associated Governments, new residential development is expected to result in approximately 2,107 new residents within the Helendale CSD by 2040. These future residents will create an additional demand for public park and recreation facilities that existing public park and recreation facilities cannot accommodate. In order to accommodate new residential development in an orderly manner, without adversely impacting the current quality of life in the Helendale CSD, additional Public Park and recreation facilities will need to be constructed.

It is the projected direct and cumulative effect of future residential development that has required the preparation of this Park Fee Study. Each new residential dwelling unit will contribute to the need for new public park and recreation facilities, and as such, the proposed impact fee will be charged to all future residential development, irrespective of location, in the Helendale CSD. The development impact fees, when collected, will be placed into a dedicated fund that will be used solely for the design, acquisition, installation, and construction of public park and recreation facilities and other appropriate costs to mitigate the direct and cumulative impacts of new residential development in the Helendale CSD.

The discussion in this subsection of the Study sets forth the purpose of the development impact fee as required by Section 66001(a) (1) of the California Government Code.

The Use to Which the Fee is to be put (Government Code Section 66001(a) (2)). The development impact fee will be used specifically for the design, acquisition, installation, and construction of the public park and recreation facilities discussed in Section 4 of this Park Development Impact Fee Study and related costs necessary to mitigate the direct and cumulative impacts of new residential development in the Helendale CSD. By directly funding these costs, the development impact fees will both enhance the quality of life for future residents and protect their health, safety, and welfare.

The discussion presented in this subsection of the Park DIF Study identifies the use to which the development impact fee is to be put as required by Section 66001(a) (2) of the California Government Code.

Determine That There is a Reasonable Relationship Between the Fee's Use and the Type of Development Project Upon Which the Fee is Imposed (Benefit Relationship) (Government Code Section 66001(a) (3)). As discussed, it is the projected direct and cumulative effect of future residential development that has prompted the preparation of this Park Development Impact Fee Study. Each residential dwelling unit will contribute to the need for new public park and recreation facilities. Park and recreation facilities costs have been allocated to both existing and new development, based on their level of benefit.

The fees will be expended for the design, acquisition, installation, and construction of public park and recreation facilities identified in the Helendale CSD's Long-Range Community Park Plan, as that is the purpose for which the DIF is collected. For the foregoing reasons, there is a reasonable relationship between the design, acquisition, construction, and installation of the public park and recreation facilities and new residential development as required under Section 66001(a)(3) of the Mitigation Fee Act.

4. Determine How There is a Reasonable Relationship Between the Need for the Public Facility and the Type of Development Project Upon Which the Fee is Imposed (Impact Relationship) (Government Code Section 66001(a)(4)). As set forth in No. 1 above, all new residential development contributes to the direct and cumulative impacts on public park and recreation facilities and creates the need for new facilities to accommodate growth. Moreover, park and recreation facilities costs have been allocated to both existing and new development based on their level of benefit, and therefore the allocation of cost to new development does not reflect any unmet needs of existing development.

For the reasons presented herein, there is a reasonable relationship between the need for the public park and recreation facilities and all new residential development within the Helendale CSD as required under Section 66001(a)(4) of the Mitigation Fee Act.

5. The Relationship Between the Amount of the Fee and the Cost of the Public Facilities Attributable to the Development Upon Which the Fee is Imposed ("Rough Proportionality" Relationship) (Government Code 66001(a). As set forth above, all new residential development in the Helendale CSD impacts public park and recreation facilities. New development impacts the need for public park and recreation facilities directly and cumulatively. Thus, imposition of the development impact fee to finance new public park and recreation facilities is an efficient, practical, and equitable method of permitting development to proceed in a responsible manner. Again, park and recreation facilities costs have been allocated to both existing and new development based on their level of benefit, and therefore the cost allocated to new residential development does not reflect any unmet needs of existing development.

The proposed development impact fee amounts are roughly proportional to the impacts resulting from new residential development. Thus, there is a reasonable relationship between the amount of the development impact fee and the cost of the public park and recreation facilities.

6. AB 1600 Nexus Test and Apportionment of Facilities Costs. Section 66000 of the Government Code requires that a reasonable relationship exist between the need for public facilities and the type of development on which a development impact fee is imposed. The need for public park and recreation facilities is related to the park and recreation facilities or level of service established in the Helendale CSD's Long-Range Community Park Plan. The nexus relationship is calculated on a per dwelling unit basis.

#### SECTION 3 Park and Recreation Facilities Impact Fee Methodology

Government Code Section 66000, which codifies California's Mitigation Fee Act, requires that if impact fees are going to be used to finance public facilities, those facilities must be identified prior to the adoption of the fee. There are three basic methodologies that can be employed to determine the facilities to be financed. Each methodology is described below.

The first methodology, which is called a "Plan-Based Approach," is based on the existence of a "Facilities Plan" that lists the specific facilities necessary to serve future growth. The Facilities

Plan utilized under this approach is usually prepared by anagency's staff and/or consultants, often with community input, and is then adopted by the agency's legislative body either prior to or at the same time the fee program is approved. The Facilities Plan also identifies the costs of the facilities listed, and these costs are in turn allocated based on the level of benefit to be received by projected future land uses anticipated to be developed within the time period being analyzed.

A second methodology to identify facilities needs is the "Capacity-Based Approach," and is based on the magnitude of existing capacity or expanded capacity needed for a type of public facility in order to handle projected growth during the selected time period. This approach works best for facilities such as an existing water storage facility or sewer treatment plant where existing costs or facilities expansion costs necessary to serve future development are already known (and in the case of existing capacity, may have already been expended). A fee based on this methodology is not necessarily dependent on a particular land use plan for future development, but is instead based on the cost per unit of constructing the remaining existing capacity in a facility, or the cost to expand such capacity, which can then be applied to any type of future development.

A third approach is to utilize a facilities "standard" established for future development, against which facilities costs are determined based on units of demand from this development. This approach, which is often applied to park and recreation facilities when there is no existing Facilities Plan, establishes a generic unit cost for capacity, which is then applied to each land use type per unit of demand. This standard is not based on the cost of a specific existing or future facility, but rather on the cost of providing a certain standard of service, such as the 3.00 acres of park and recreation facilities per 1,000 residents established pursuant to the Quimby Act or Government Code Section 66477. This method has several advantages, including not requiring an agency to know (i) the cost of a specific facility, (ii) how much capacity or service is provided currently (as the new standard does not necessarily need to reflect the existing standard), or (iii) the size, site, or characteristics of specific future facilities.

In the case of the Helendale CSD, a Plan-Based Approach using the Long-Range Community Park Plan was determined by SRHA to be the most appropriate methodology for purposes of calculating impact fees for the Park Fee Study. Pursuant to the nexus requirements of Government Code 66000, the Helendale CSD is required to "determine how there is a reasonable relationship between the amount of the fee and the cost of the public facility or portion of the public facility attributable to the development on which the fee is imposed." The California Legislature drafted AB 1600 to specifically require that a "reasonable" relationship be determined, not a direct cause and effect relationship, as shown in Table 1.

# Table1 AB 1600 Nexus Test Public Park and Recreation Facilities

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Identify Purpose of Fee	Community park and recreation facilities
Identify Use of Fee	The design, acquisition, installation, and construction of public park and recreation facilities, including parkland
Demonstrate how there is a reasonable relationship between the need for the public facility, the use of the fee, and the type of development project on which the fee is imposed	The park and recreation facilities will serve the residents of the Helendale CSD by providing facilities for recreation while enhancing the community's appeal and quality of life. New residential development will generate additional residents who, along with existing residents, create the demand for the park and recreation facilities identified in Helendale CSD's Long-Range Community Park Plan. Land must be acquired and improved to meet this demand, thus a reasonable relationship exists between the need for park and recreation facilities and the impact of residential development. Fees collected from new development will be used exclusively for community park and recreation facilities.

# **SECTION 4** Park Facility Needs Analysis

The community park facility needs have been estimated at about \$6.61 million dollars, in 2017constant dollars, as shown in Table 2. For the community park planned for both existing and future population growth, this includes the estimated existing facilities that have already been completed as well as future planned facilities.

The future park facility needs estimated at about \$6.61 millionincludes improvements such as: playground and splash pad equipment, shelters, restrooms, dogpark, trails, skatepark, lighting, parking lot and related grounds improvements including turf and watering system. For the long-term plan, this includes additional ground preparation, ball diamonds and a community recreation building with a gym and estimated construction costs that have already been completed. While land costs are not included in the park fee calculation, an estimate of \$217,813 in 2016 dollars is presented in Table 3. The detailed future components of the estimated park construction costs are presented in Table 4.

Table 2
Estimated Community Park Expenditures
Helendale Community Service District

Estimated Expenditures <sup>1</sup>	Value (in 2017 dollars)	
Future Expenditures Existing Expenditures	\$6,333,600 \$271,753	
Total Estimated Construction Cost	\$6,605,353	
Future Expedentitures shown in detail in Table 4; the existing park expenditures were provided by the Helendale CSD		
Sources: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates Helendale CSD		

Table 3
Estimated Park Land Value
Helendale Community Service District

Estimated Land Value for New Park D	evelopment <sup>1</sup>
Acres of Parkland Purchased (2008) Existing Residential Sq. Ft. Estimated Const. Cost per Sq. Ft. Estimated Residential Value Estimated Values: Barns, Corrals, etc. Estimated Value of Improvements Estimated Total Property Value (2016) Estimated Net Land Value for 80 Acres	80 12,000 \$100.00 \$1,200,000 \$250,000 \$1,450,000 \$2,300,000 \$850,000
Total Estimated Land Value (2016 \$) <sup>2</sup> Acres of New Parkland	<b>\$10,625</b> 20.5
Estimated Total Land Value (2016 \$) <sup>3</sup>	\$217,813

- 1. Estimated by Dennis Bradley, the HCSD's local land broker.
- 2. Estimated net land value is divided by 80 acres.
- 3. Rounded to the nearest dollar.

Sources: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc.
Helendale CSD

Dennis Bradley, local land broker

Table 4
Future Expenditures for Park Development
Helendale Community Service District

Facility <sup>1</sup>	Estimated Cost (in 2017 dollars)
Playground	
Equipment	\$150,000
Installation	\$75,000
Splash Pad	
Features	\$50,000
Water Recirculation System:	\$200,000
Installation	\$100,000
Shelters	
Shade Structures (1) 40' x 70' (2) 20' x 40'	\$127,000
Installation	\$89,000
Restroom	
Facility	\$200,000
Installation	\$100,000
Septic	\$27,500
Dog Park	
Irrigation System	\$10,000
Grading and Seeding	\$7,00
Fencing 200' x 200' (with two gate systems)	\$24,00
Demonstration Garden	
Plants	\$15,000
Installation	\$10,00
Fitness Trail	
Equipment	\$26,000
Installation	\$20,00
DG Path	
Material: 3,000' x 36"	\$6,000
Installation	\$10,000
Basketball Court	
94' x 50' (Approximately \$15/Sq. Ft.	\$141,000
Volleyball Court	
59' x 30' court	\$5,10
Installation	\$10,000
Skate Park	
Design, engineering, concrete, etc	\$500,000
Block Wall	0.00
Material: 550' x 3' course high	\$25,00
Asphalt for Parking Lot	
100,000 sq. ft. parking lot	\$167,00
Lighting	
Fixtures	\$105,00
Installation	\$13,00
Additional Ground Preparation (10.5 acres)	40.00
@ \$2,000 per acre	\$21,00
Ball Diamonds	4400 400
Design, engineering, construction	\$100,00
Community/Recreation Center	\$4,000,00
10,000 sf building with Gym @ \$400/sf	
Estimated Future Expenditures:	\$6,333,600

<sup>1.</sup> Facility types and cost estimates provided by the Helendale CSD.

Source: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc.

Helendale CSD

# SECTION 5 Demographic Forecasts: 2012 - 2040

Helendale Community Services District Boundary. The forecasts used in this study are based on the San Bernardino County Transportation 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecast for the current Helendale Community Services District boundary. As shown in Table 5, the total households are forecasted to grow within the current Helendale CSD boundary from 2,420 in 2012 to 3,330 in 2040, for an increase of 910householdsby 2040. The households, representing occupied housing units, are converted into total housing units by using the estimated vacancy rate of 18.7 percent from the 2010 Census, as shown in Table 5. Thehousehold growth corresponds to a population increase of 2,107 from 5,363 in 2012 to 7,470 in 2040, as shown in Table 6.

Table 5
Forecasted Growth in Households and Housing Units: 2012-2040
Helendale Community Service District

Households and Housing Units Forecast	2012	2040	Growth: 2012-2040
A. Households Single Family Muti-Family Total	1,819	2,529	710
	601	801	200
	2,420	3,330	910
B. Housing Units Estimated Vacancy Rate <sup>1</sup> Single Family Housing Units Muti-Family Housing Units Total Housing Units	0	0	0
	2,237	3,111	874
	739	985	246
	2,976	4,096	1,120

<sup>1.</sup> The estimated vacancy rate from the 2010 U.S. Census for the Silver Lakes Census Defined Place (CDP) is used to convert households (occupied housing units) into total housing units.

Source: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc.

San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecast

Table 6
Forecasted Growth in Population: 2012-2040
Helendale Community Service District

	Population		
Boundary	2012	2040	Growth: 2012-2040
Helendale CSD	5,363	7,470	2,107

Source: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc.
San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecast

### Estimated DIF per Housing Unit and Revenue Generated from New Growth SECTION 6

Table 7 shows the estimated persons per household (PPH) for single family and multi-family for the Helendale CSD. The estimated PPH for single family households is about 2.37 and the estimated PPH for multi-family households is about 1.75. The estimated PPH for all households in Helendale is 2.22.

Table 8 shows the estimated development impact fees (DIFs) for single family and multi-family housing units in Helendale. The estimated DIF for single family units is estimated at \$1,720 and the estimated DIF for multi-family units is estimated at \$1,274. These amounts were calculated by dividing the forecasted 2040 community park costs, allocated to single family and multi-family units on the basis of population as shown in Table 8,by the 2040 forecast of single family and multi-familyhousing units for the Helendale CSD, as shown earlier in Table 5. This represents the allocated share of costs across both existing and future housing units by 2040, although only new development can be charged a development impact fee.

The development impact fee per single family unitand per multi-family unit is then multiplied times the corresponding forecasted growthfrom 2012 to 2040of 874 new single family housing unitsand 246 new multi-family units, as shown in Table 9. This results in estimated DIF revenue generation from new growth of\$1,816,684, as shown in Table 9. This consists of an estimated \$1,503,280 from single family units and an estimated \$313,404 from multi-family units. Thus, by 2040 the new growth is forecasted to cover about 28 percent of the community park costs for the Helendale CSD, in 2017 constant dollars.

Table 7 **Estimated Community Park DIF per Household** Helendale CSD

(In 2017 dollars)

Type of Unit	Single Family	Multi- Family	Total
Helendale Households: 2012 <sup>1</sup> Helendale Population: 2012 <sup>1</sup> Estimated Helendale PPH: 2012 <sup>2</sup>	1,819 4,311 2.37	601 1,052 1.75	

- 1. The 2012 households and population growth are forecasted for the Helendale CSD based on the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecasts.
- 2. The estimated Helendale persons per household (PPH) is based on U.S. Census data for ownerand renter-occupied units for the Helendale zip code 92342 and adjusted to single and multi-family units using the U.S. Census' Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs) for the local High Desert area.

Sources: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc.

2010 Demographic Profile Data, U.S. Census Bureau Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMAs) - U.S. Census Bureau San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecasts

Table 8
Estimated Park Development Impacts Fees (DIFs)
Helendale CSD
(In 2017 dollars)

Category	Single Family	Multi Family	Total
Forecasted Helendale Units: 2040	3,111	985	4,096
Forecasted Helendale Population: 2040	6,054	1,415	7,469
Population Percent Distribution <sup>1</sup>	81%	19%	100%
Estimated Total DIF Costs <sup>2</sup>	\$5,350,336	\$1,255,017	\$6,605,353
Estimated DIF Costs per Unit Type <sup>3</sup>	\$1,720	\$1,274	N/A

- 1. The forecasted population distribution is based on information from the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecasts and 2012 persons per household estimates.
- 2. Estimated DIF costs per unit type are allocated based on the population distribution between single family and multi-family units.
- 3. Estimated DIF Costs per unit type are divided by forecasted single and multi-family units for 2040.

Sources: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc.

San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecasts

Table 9
Estimated DIF Revenue Growth: 2012 - 2040
Helendale CSD
(In 2017 dollars)

Category	Single Family	Multi- Family	Total
2012 Housing Units 2040 Housing Units (Forecasted) Increase in Housing Units: 2012 - 2040 Estimated DIF per Housing Unit Estimated DIF Revenue Growth (in 2017 Dollars) <sup>1</sup>	2,237	739	2,976
	3,111	985	4,096
	874	246	1,120
	\$1,720	\$1,274	N/A
	<b>1,503,280</b>	<b>313,404</b>	<b>1,816,684</b>

1. The estimated revenue growth in 2017 dollars is calculated by multiplying the number of single family units and multi-family units by their estimated DIF amounts.

Sources: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc.

San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecast

# SECTION 7 DIF Program Administration and Implementation

### **DIF PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION**

As recently confirmed by the State of California's Fourth Appellate District in *Daniel Walker vs. City of San Clemente*, the Helendale CSD may add a reasonable administrative charge for the collection and administration of the TIF Program. However, at this time, the Helendale CSD is not planning to add any administrative charges.

The DIF listed in Table 8 represents the maximum DIF that legally may be imposed on future development. The Helendale CSD may impose a lower fee for one or more land use categories, or phase-in the maximum DIF over time. Under no circumstances, however, may the Helendale CSD charge a DIF higher than that listed in Table 8 to one land use category to absorb a shortfall created by not charging the maximum DIF to another land use category.

Also, as the DIF developed in this Park Development Impact Fee Study is based on costs in 2017 dollars, it is appropriate for the Helendale CSD to apply an annual escalator to the DIF to account for inflation in acquisition and construction costs. Therefore, beginning on January 1, 2018 and every year thereafter, an escalator equal to the change in the Engineering News Record Construction Cost Index for Los Angeles during the twelve months of the prior fiscal year may be added to the maximum DIF at the Helendale CSD's discretion.

# **DIF PROGRAM MONITORING**

AB 1600 requires public agencies levying fees to complete both an annual public report and a five-year public report summarizing the status of their fee programs.

# (a) Annual Report

An annual report is required to be prepared between July 1 and January 1 each year and submitted to the Board of the Helendale CSD as an informational item. The annual report must include:

- (1) A brief description of the impact fees;
- (2) The amount of the impact fees;
- (3) The impact fee account balance at the beginning and end of the fiscal year;
- (4) The amount of fees collected and interest earned over the previous year;
- (5) An identification of each expenditure from the account, including a brief description of the expenditure and the percentage of the total cost of the expenditure funded by the fees;
- (6) An approximate date when construction will begin if the municipality determines it has sufficient funds to complete a public improvement;
- (7) A description of any interfund transfer or loan made from the impact fee accounts;
- (8) The amount of any refunds made from the accounts.

# (b) Five-Year Report

The submittal of afive-year report (the "Five-Year Report") to the Board of the Helendale CSD (the "Board") must occur every five years following the first deposit of impact fees into an account. The Board is required to make specific legislative findings to continue its collection of the fees if any unexpended funds remain in the account, or must return any fees to the property owners who paid them. The Board must approve the Five-Year Report, which does the following:

- (1) Identify the purpose of imposing the fee;
- (2) Demonstrate a reasonable relationship between the fee and the purpose for which it is charged;
- (3) Identify all sources and amounts of funding anticipated to complete financing any incomplete improvements that were identified when enacting the fee; and
- (4) Identify the approximate dates when the anticipated funds are expected to be received.

# **Projected DIF Program Cashflows**

The success of the Helendale CSD's DIF program depends on the timely adoption of the fees by the Board in early 2017. The Board has the option of imposing the DIF at building permit issuance, or at the issuance of the certificate of occupancy of each structure. In either case, the total revenue that could be generated by the DIF program through 2040 is \$1,816,684, in 2017 dollars, which does not include any administration charges. Of course, with variations occurring in the economy on a year-to-year basis, both nationally and locally, as well as political and other issues that may arise, the actual revenue generated each year will vary depending on factors that are very difficult to predict. In addition, it is anticipated that the Helendale CSD will revise its DIF from time-to-time as park facilities are constructed and new facilities needs arise.

# SECTION 8 Estimated Community Park Acres per 1,000 Population

The Helendale CSD has chosen to develop a park facilities development impact fee at the community park level and not include local park and recreation facilities in this calculation. As shown in Table 10, the estimated community park acres per 1,000 population by 2040 is estimated at 2.74.

Table 10
Estimated Community Park Acres per 1,000 Population
Helendale CSD

Calculation Factors	Amount
A. CSD Boundaries	
Forecasted CSD Population: 2040 <sup>1</sup>	7,470
Community Park Acres Planned	20.5
Acres per 1,000 Population	2.74

1. Based on San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, 2012-2040 Tier 3 Forecast

Source: Stanley R. Hoffman Associates, Inc.

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Development Impact Fees

Pursuant to your request, the purpose of this memorandum is to provide you with general information concerning the above-referenced matter.

# I. **DEFINITION**

A development impact fee is a monetary exaction other than a tax or special assessment that is charged by a local governmental agency to an applicant in connection with approval of a development project for the purpose of defraying all or a portion of the cost of public facilities related to the development project. (Gov. Code § 66000(b).) The legal requirements for enactment of development impact fee program are set forth in Government Code §§ 66000-66025 (the "Mitigation Fee Act"), the bulk of which were adopted as 1987's AB 1600 and thus are commonly referred to as "AB 1600 requirements." A development impact fee is not a tax or special assessment; by its definition, a fee is voluntary and must be reasonably related to the cost of the service provided by the local agency. If a development impact fee does not relate to the impact created by development or exceeds the reasonable cost of providing the public service, then the fee may be declared a special tax and must then be subject to a two-thirds voter approval. (Cal. Const., Art. XIII A, § 4.)

# II. LEGAL AUTHORITY

AB 1600 applies to all local agencies in the state. (Gov. Code § 66000(c).) However, AB 1600 does not apply to every fee or exaction collected by a local agency. AB 1600 only applies when a local agency imposes a fee on an applicant in connection with approval of a development project to defray all or a portion of the cost of public facilities related to the project. (Gov. Code § 66001.) "Public facilities" are defined to include public improvements, public services and community amenities. (Gov. Code § 66000(d).)

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AB 1600 does not apply to Quimby Fees (Gov. Code § 66477). Some non-AB 1600 exactions interrelate with AB 1600 fees. For example, Quimby Fees can be collected from residential subdivisions for park or recreational purposes. However, Quimby fees cannot be collected from commercial developments, apartment projects, or subdivisions of fewer than five (5) parcels. To ensure that such development mitigates its parks impacts, an equivalent AB 1600 fee could be collected. Also, there is authority for the proposition that Quimby fees can only be based on the value of unimproved land. (Norsco Enterprises v. City of Fremont (1976) 54 Cal.App.3d 488.) Fees, once collected, may be used for the development of park facilities. (81 Ops. Ag. 293 (1998).) Cities and counties will often adopt an AB 1600 impact fee to "fill in the gap" left by Quimby. Also, Quimby fees cannot be used to maintain parks or recreation facilities, only for the initial development. Therefore, under this approach, cities and counties could have three separate fees that relate to park and recreation facilities: (1) a Quimby fee applicable to residential subdivisions for the purchase of park or recreation acreage, (2) an AB 1600 fee applicable to commercial, condominium and residential developments of fewer than five parcels for the same purpose, and (3) an AB 1600 fee applicable to all new development for the construction of park improvements. Some jurisdictions in California have not adopted a Quimby Fee and instead impose AB 1600 fees on residential subdivisions.

Water and sewer connection fees are treated differently than are other fees under AB 1600. Fees collected for these services are not subject to the findings and accounting requirements contained in Chapter 5 (§§ 66000-66009), but are subject to the provisions of Sections 66016 (notice), 66022 (legal challenge), and 66023 (audits). As with other development impact fees, water and sewer charges cannot exceed the reasonable cost of providing service unless approved as a special tax by two-thirds of the electorate. Capacity charges collected pursuant to this section must meet similar accounting and public notice requirements as fees adopted pursuant to §66001. (See Gov. Code § 66013(c).) Any legal challenge to a water or sewer connection fee or capacity charge must be brought pursuant to §§ 66022 and 66023.

### III. PROCEDURE

# A. Preparing the Fee Study

Once an agency decides what public services and infrastructure will require funding through impact fees, it should prepare a fee study. A fee study provides the quantified basis for the imposition of fees. The goal of the fee study is two-fold. First, the fee study provides the agency with the legal support to impose the fee. A fee study demonstrates the required nexus between the impact created by new development and the amount of the fee. Second, the fee study quantifies the projected burden that new development will create on the agency's infrastructure. The agency may review the fee study and decide that the level of service it would like to provide cannot be met simply through the imposition of impact fee.

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# B. Preparing a Capital Improvement Plan in Conjunction with the Fee Study

Many jurisdictions prepare a capital improvements plan ("CIP") in conjunction with a fee program. AB 1600 encourages the use of a CIP to assist in scheduling and implementing the services and improvements funded through impact fees. (Gov. Code § 66002.) A CIP establishes a schedule of improvements necessary to accommodate the projected growth. The CIP must indicate the approximate size, location, time of availability, and estimated costs of all improvements to be financed through fees. (Gov. Code § 66002(a).) In order to create a usable CIP, an agency must have an accurate understanding of its current service baseline and its projected growth. This requires an understanding of when, where, and how growth may occur within the agency. The more information the agency can collect about future growth, the more comprehensive and accurate will be the CIP. A CIP can also help an agency determine when new public improvements or expansion of existing public improvements need to be constructed in relation to the timing of new development.

# C. Required Findings for AB 1600 Fee Program

Government Code § 66001 (a) requires that any action establishing, increasing or imposing a fee as a condition of approval of a development project must do all of the following:

- Identify the purpose of the fee;
- Identify how the fee is to be used;
- Determine how a reasonable relationship exists between the fee's use and the type of development project on which the fee is imposed;
- Determine how a reasonable relationship exists between the need for the public facility and the type of development project on which the fee is imposed.

In addition, when an agency imposes a project-specific fee, the agency must also demonstrate a reasonable relationship between the amount of the fee and the cost of the public facility or the portion of the public facility attributable to the development on which the fee is imposed. (Gov. Code § 6600 l (b); see *Garrick Dev. Co., et al. v. Hayward Unified Sch. Dist.*, 3 Cal.App.4th 320, 336 (1992).) Typically, the fee study and CIP provide the basis of the required findings.

# D. Public Hearings; Procedure for Adoption of Fees

AB 1600 governs both the establishment of new fees and the increase of an existing fee, and requires that specified procedural requirements be satisfied. The procedural requirements for impact fees are fairly general. (Gov. Code § 66018.)

Government Code § 66018 contains the public hearing requirements for the adoption or increase of impact fees. Under § 66018, the local agency must conduct at least one regularly scheduled

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meeting with notice given pursuant to § 6062a, which requires publication of notice twice, at least five days apart, with the first ten days prior to the hearing. Any costs incurred in conducting the required public hearing may be recovered from the proceeds of the enacted fee. Upon adoption of the required ordinance and resolution, the development impact fees become effective sixty (60) days thereafter. (Gov. Code § 66017.)

# E. Staff Report

In addition to the fee study and CIP, the staff report for adoption of a development impact fee provides the agency one more opportunity to support its fee. The staff report is also part of the administrative record and can be used by the agency (or a disgruntled developer) in any later legal challenge. The staff report serves as an opportunity to explain the need for public improvements and steps the agency has taken to reach the fee it is recommending. A well-drafted staff report can be the crux of the legal defense of the fee. The staff report should refer to any improvement or infrastructure standards set forth in the CIP and explain how the fee will help the agency meet these standards. Finally, staff should conclude that the fee bears a reasonable relationship to the projected impacts of new development and is necessary to mitigate these impacts.

### F. Ordinance and Fee Resolution

The ordinance establishing the fee program provides the legal basis for the imposition of the fee and all required procedures; the resolution contains the actual amount of the fee. Do not include the amount of the fee in the ordinance; otherwise, any change to the fee itself will require a formal ordinance amendment.

The ordinance should include the following elements:

- Legislative findings regarding the reasons why the fees are being imposed;
- A section formally establishing distinct fund categories for each of the fees;
- Provision for an automatic annual adjustment for inflation;
- A statement as to when the fees shall be paid;
- A provision providing an appeal procedure, which allows a developer to contend that, for his particular project, the required legal nexus for imposition of the fee does not exist. Failure to include such a provision may make it difficult for the agency to defend a facial challenge to the fee program or an as-applied challenge to a fee condition on a particular project; including such a provision creates an administrative procedure which arguably must be exhausted prior to an as applied challenge or a refund claim (the exhaustion issue is discussed further below); and
- Provisions for exemptions or credits.

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# IV. PROCEDURES FOLLOWING FEE PASSAGE

# A. Annual Accounting.

Once the fee ordinance has been passed, the agency will start collecting fees. AB 1600 requires that agencies account for every fee that they collect under its terms. Funds collected for each capital facility or service shall be deposited in separate accounts and not commingled with any other funds for other impact fees. (Gov. Code § 66006(a).) While funds are accruing for individual capital facilities, the agency must keep track of each fund and provide an annual report. (Gov. Code § 66006(b).) If the agency fails to accurately account for the collected fees, the agency can be required to refund the fees. (Gov. Code § 66001(d).)

Within 180 days after the last day of the fiscal year, the agency must make available the following information:

- A brief description of the type of fee in each account or fund;
- The amount of the fee;
- The beginning and ending balance of the account or fund;
- The amount of the fees collected and the interest earned;
- An identification of each public improvement on which fees were expended and the amount of each expenditure;
- An identification of the approximate date by which the construction of the public improvement will commence;
- A description of any inter-fund transfer or loan and the public improvement on which the transferred funds will be expended;
- The amount of refunds made and any allocations of unexpended fees that are not refunded. (Gov. Code § 6606(b)(1).)

At the next regularly scheduled public meeting not less than 15 days after making the above information available to the public, the agency must review the information provided. (Gov. Code § 66006(b)(2).)

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Section 66001 contains some extremely important, additional, accounting requirements to which scrupulous compliance is required. Section 66001(d) provides that, for the fifth fiscal year following the first deposit into each public improvement account or fund, and every 5 years thereafter, the agency must make the following findings for funds remaining in each development impact fee account:

- (1) Identify the purpose to which the fee is to be put.
- (2) Demonstrate a reasonable relationship between the fee and the purpose for which it is charged.
- (3) Identify all sources and amounts of funding anticipated to complete financing in incomplete improvements identified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).
- (4) Designate the approximate dates on which the funding referred to in paragraph (3) is expected to be deposited into the appropriate account or fund.

If the agency fails to make the findings, it must refund any undisbursed monies to the owner of record of the project sites originally contributing to the funds. (Gov. Code § 66001(d).)

Similarly, when sufficient funds have been collected to complete financing of the public improvements contained in the CIP, the public agency within 180 days of collection of the required funds shall identify "an approximate date by which the construction of the public improvement will be commenced." (Gov. Code § 6600l(e).) Failure to comply with this requirement also mandates return of the collected funds, as stated above.

# B. Annual Review of CIP.

If the public agency adopts a CIP, the CIP must be updated annually. (Gov. Code § 66002(b).) Ten days' published notice is provided pursuant to Government Code § 65090, and is also provided to any city or county that may be significantly affected by the capital improvement plan.

### C. Audits

Anyone can request an audit of a local agency's fee in order to determine whether the fee exceeds the amount reasonably necessary to cover the cost of the product or service provided. (Gov. Code § 66006(d); § 66023(a).) The local agency or an independent auditor may conduct the audit. All costs incurred by the local agency in preparing the audit may be recovered from the person requesting the audit. (Gov. Code § 66023(b).)

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### D. When Fees Can Be Collected

Development impact fees for the construction of public improvements or facilities are typically collected at the date of final inspection or upon issuance of a certificate of occupancy, whichever is earlier. (Gov. Code § 66007(a).) However, the following exceptions apply:

- Utility service fees may be collected at the time an application for utility service is received. (Id.)
- Fees can be received earlier if the local agency determines that (1) the fee will be collected for public improvements or facilities for which an account has been established and funds appropriated and for which the local agency has adopted a proposed construction schedule or plan prior to final inspection or issuance of the certificate of occupancy or (2) the fees are to reimburse the local agency for expenditures previously made. (Gov. Code § 66007(b).)

Different rules govern the collection of fees from residential projects. Residential developments that include more than one dwelling may be required to pay fees (1) on a pro rata basis for each dwelling when it receives its final inspection or certificate of occupancy, (2) on a pro rata basis when a certain percentage of dwellings have received their final inspection or certificate of occupancy, or (3) on a lump sum basis when the first dwelling in the development receives its final inspection or certificate of occupancy, whichever occurs first. It is up to the local agency to decide which of these three payment options it requires. (Gov. Code §66007(a).) If a different payment schedule is critical for the local agency, execution of a development agreement may provide the only alternative approach.

For residential developments, the local agency may require a contract from the developer to pay the applicable fee at the time required by the local agency consistent with Government Code § 66007(a). This contract may be imposed as a condition of issuing a building permit for the project. (Gov. Code § 66007(c)(l).) The contract may also require that the developer provide appropriate notification of the opening of any escrow for the sale of the property for which a building permit was issued and fees have yet to be paid. In addition, the local agency can also require that any proceeds from the sale of the property be used to pay the outstanding fees. (Gov. Code § 66007(c)(3.)

### V. FEE CHALLENGES AND REFUNDS

### E. Fee Challenges.

AB 1600 provides a very specific procedure for challenging development impact fees. Failure to follow the requisite procedures can preclude challenge.

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# 1. Challenge to Imposition of Fee on a Development Project.

In order to protest a condition imposing a specific fee on a development project, a party must: (i) tender any required payment in full or provide satisfactory evidence of arrangements to pay the fee when due or to ensure performance of the conditions necessary to meet the requirements of imposition, and (ii) serve written notice to the local agency that the required payment has been tendered. The notice must inform the local agency of the factual elements of the dispute and the legal theory forming the basis of the protest. (Gov. Code § 66020(a).) The protest must be filed at the time of approval or conditional approval of the development or within 90 days after the imposition of the fee. Failure to file a timely protest will preclude a subsequent lawsuit.

The local agency must provide the developer with written notice at the time of project approval or at the time the fees are imposed stating the amount of the fee and providing notice that the 90-day protest period has begun. (Gov. Code § 66020(d)(l).)

A developer has 180 days after receiving notice from the local agency as to the imposition of a project specific fee within which to file a legal challenge regarding the project-specific fee. (Gov. Code §66020(d)(2).) Failure to file challenge within this time bars any challenge to the fee.

If the developer claims that the impact fee constitutes a special tax, thirty (30) days prior to filing suit, the developer must request a copy of the agency's documents that demonstrates how the fee was calculated. If the fee is claimed to be a special tax, the agency bears the burden of producing evidence that the fee does not exceed the cost of providing the required service, facility, or regulatory activity.

# 2. Challenge to Legislative Approval of Fee Program.

A party has 120 days from the date on which an ordinance or resolution to establish or modify certain fees is enacted to challenge such ordinance or resolution. These fees are restricted to water and sewer connection charges, capacity charges, and processing fees. Any such challenge must be brought pursuant to the validation statute contained in CCP § 860 et seq. (Gov. Code § 66022(b).) For challenges to legislative enactments of other types of fees, Government Code § 65009 does not apply, and the applicable statute appears to be the four-year statute of limitations contained in Code of Civil Procedure § 343. (See Balch Enterprises v. New Haven Unified School District, 219 Cal.App.3d 783 (1990).) If a party challenges both the imposition of a fee on a specific development and the ordinance that created the fee, the 180-day statute of limitation applies, as it is the more specific provision. (Western/California, Ltd. v. Dry Creek Joint Elementary School Dist., 50 Cal.App.4th 1461 (1996).)

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# B. Refunds

If a project-specific challenge is successful, the local agency may be required to refund the collected fee with interest. If the court finds in favor of the developer in a challenge to the imposition of a fee on a specific project, the court shall direct the local agency to refund the unlawful portion of the payment, with interest at an annual rate of 8 percent. (Gov. Code § 66020(e).)

Similarly, if in a challenge to the enactment of the fee ordinance the court finds that a fee ordinance or resolution is invalid as enacted, the court shall direct that any local agency refund the unlawful portion of the fee, plus interest. The refund will go to any person who has complied with the protest provisions of the Mitigation Fee Act.

As is evident from the above discussion of the general requirements applicable to development impact fees, the potential establishment of any such exactions by the District will require a more detailed technical and legal analysis. If the District wishes to consider this mechanism as a possible funding source for its parks program, I suggest that staff arrange further meetings with the District's consultants to more fully address this matter.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.



# Helendale Community Services District

Date:

January 18, 2018

TO:

**Board of Directors** 

FROM:

Kimberly Cox, General Manager

SUBJECT:

Agenda item #8

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Adoption of Resolution 2018-04: A Resolution of the board of Directors Recertifying the 2010 Sanitary Sewer

Management Plan (SSMP) As Required By The State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2006-0003 – Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR)

For Sanitary Sewer Systems

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors adopts the propose resolution recertifying the 2010 SSMP

### STAFF REPORT

In January 2008, Staff presented a schedule to meet the requirements of the Sanitary Sewer Management Plan. The Plan was completed by consulting engineer, Charlie McKinley and adopted by the Board on April 15, 2010. The purpose of this agenda item is to request that the Board recertify the Sanitary Sewer Management Plan. It is required every five years. The recertification process requires that the Board of Directors adopt a resolution recertifying the Plan for another five years.

The important elements of the SSMP are:

Operations and Maintenance program
Design and Performance Provisions
Overflow Emergency Response Plan
FOG Control Program
System Evaluation and Capacity Assurance Plan

All of these elements have been in place since before the initial certification of the Plan and Staff continues to implement each of these elements on a regular basis. Through normal operation and maintenance protocols District Staff has complied with the SSMP. The Plan formalizes the operational requirements of the District. Attached for your review is a copy of the SSMP.

FISCAL IMPACT Unknown



A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE HELENDALE COMMUNITY SERVICES
DISTRICT RECERTIFYING THE 2010 SANITARY SEWER MANAGEMENT PLAN (SSMP)
AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
ORDER NO. 2006-0003- STATEWIDE GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDR)
FOR SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2006, the State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2006-003- Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements for Sanitary Sewer Systems was adopted and implemented; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the WDR is to develop a regulatory mechanism to provide a consistent statewide approach for reducing sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs); and

WHEREAS, the Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements requires preparation of a Sanitary Sewer Management Plan (SSMP) with 11 separate elements; and

WHEREAS, the Board approved the SSMP on April 15, 2010, and must approve in fivevear intervals; and

WHEREAS, the current SSMP must be approved by the governing board for certification upon its completion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors for the Helendale Community Services District has reviewed and adopted the Sanitary Sewer Management Plan (SSMP) as required by the State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2006-0003-Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) for Sanitary Sewer Systems.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the Helendale Community Services District at the regular meeting held on this  $\underline{18^{th}}$  day of February,  $\underline{2018}$  by the following vote:

Sandy Haas	s, Secretary	<del></del>	
Attest:		Ron Clark, President	
Abstain:	-		
Absent:			
Noes:		Approved:	
Ayes:			

# HELENDALE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT SEWER SYSTEM MANAGEMENT PLAN

In Accordance With
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
ORDER NO. 2006-0003-DWQ
STATEWIDE GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
For
SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS

WDID 6 SSO 11506

CSD POPULATION: 2,500 - 10,000



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# INTRODUCTION

The Lahontan Region of the State Water Quality Control Board oversees the water quality in the waters of the State, including the Mojave River. The Helendale CSD wastewater treatment plant and collection system are regulated by WDR Board Order 6-01-39 WDID 6 B 361111001 (**Appendix A**). As such, the WWTP does not discharge directly to the Mojave River or other waters of the State. The river accepts treated effluent upstream of Helendale from the VVWRA plant.

Along with the recommendation to the CSD Board to adopt the SSMP, Sewer Department staff are also directed to continually update the plan and report back annually to the District Board regarding the District's SSMP status.

### **SSMP Requirement Background**

This SSMP has been prepared in compliance with requirements of the State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2006-0003-DWQ. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) acted at its meeting on May 2, 2006, to require all public wastewater collection system agencies in California with greater than one mile of sewers to be regulated under General Waste Discharge Requirements (GWDR). The SWRCB action also mandates the development of an SSMP and the reporting of SSOs using the State's electronic reporting system (CIWQS).

The HCSD SSMP Development Plan and Schedule follows the GWDR SSMP. Each section of the Development Plan follows the GWDR requirements, and is referenced with the GWDR language applicable to each SSMP section. The Table of Contents for the SSMP is based on each major element of the SSMP requirements.

### **Document Organization**

This SSMP is intended to meet the requirements of the Statewide GWDR. The organization of this document is consistent with the SWRCB guidelines, including eleven elements as listed below. Each of these elements forms a section of this document.

### SSMP ELEMENTS

- 1. Goal
- 2. Organization
- 3. Legal Authority
- 4. Operation and Maintenance Program
- 5. Design and Performance Provisions
- 6. Overflow Emergency Response Plan
- 7. Fats, Oils and Grease Control Program
- 8. System Evaluation and CapaDistrictAssurance Plan
- 9. Monitoring, Measurement, and Program Modifications
- 10. SSMP Program Audits



# 11. Communication Program

Each element section is organized into sub-sections, as follows:

- 1. Description of the SWRCB requirement for that element.
- 2. Identification of associated appendix and list of supporting information included in the appendix.
- 3. Discussion of the element. The discussion may be split into multiple sub-sections depending on length and complexity.

Supporting information is included in an appendix associated with that section, as applicable. In general, information expected to require relatively frequent updates (such as names and phone numbers of staff) are included in appendices, as well as other supporting information such as forms or schedules.

# **About The District**

Helendale is well known for its high quality of life and beautiful rural atmosphere. The community, with its population of about 5,000, has been served since 2006 by the HCSD for its main public services. The Silver Lakes community within Helendale includes a 27-hole championship golf course, two lakes, beaches, parks, an equestrian center, tennis courts, and miles of scenic landscape.



# 1.0 GOAL

This section identifies goals the District has set for the management, operation and maintenance of the sewer system, and discusses the role of the SSMP in supporting these goals. These goals provide focus for District staff to continue high-quality work and to implement improvements in the management of the District's wastewater collection system.

# 1.1 Regulatory Requirements for Goal Element

The summarized requirements for the Goal element of the SSMP are as follows:

The goal of the SSMP is to provide a plan and schedule to properly manage, operate, and maintain all parts of its wastewater collection system in order to reduce and prevent SSOs, as well as to mitigate any SSOs that occur.

### 1.2 Goal Discussion

It is the mission of the HCSD, in partnership with the community, to continue to develop and maintain the aesthetic beauty of the area, while fostering a safe and family oriented environment. The District is committed to providing excellent customer service, effectively managing the operation and maintenance of facilities, and matching expanding needs with a viable financial plan to ensure the continued success of the District.

Given the vacant land that remains to be developed, and the attractiveness of the Helendale marketplace, our population of about 5,000 is projected to grow to an estimated 6,400 by 2020 (SANBAG projection).

### 1.3 SSMP Goal

The goal of the SSMP is to provide a plan and schedule to properly manage, operate, and maintain all parts of the Helendale sanitary sewer system. This will help reduce and prevent Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs), as well as mitigate any SSOs that do occur. The main goal of the Helendale SSMP is to minimize and prevent SSOs, and to provide a complete plan and schedule by May 2, 2010. Additionally, the SSMP will help with the following:

- 1. Prevent public health hazards.
- 2. Minimize inconveniences by responsibly handling interruptions in service.
- 3. Protect the large investment in collection systems by maintaining adequate capacities and extending useful life.
- 4. Prevent unnecessary damage to public and private property.
- 5. Use funds available for sewer operations in the most efficient manner.
- 6. Convey wastewater to treatment facilities with a minimum of infiltration, inflow and exfiltration.



- 7. Provide adequate capacity to convey peak flows.
- 8. Perform all operations in a safe manner to avoid personal injury and property damage.

This SSMP supplements and supports the District's existing Operations & Maintenance Program and goals by providing high-level consolidated guidelines and procedures for all aspects of the District's sewer system management. The SSMP will contribute to the proper management of the collection system and assist the District in minimizing the frequency and impacts of SSOs by providing guidance for appropriate maintenance, capacity management, and emergency response.



# 2.0 ORGANIZATION

This section identifies the District staff who are responsible for implementing the SSMP provisions, responding to SSO events, and meeting the SSO reporting requirements. This section also includes the designation of the Authorized Representative to meet SWRCB requirements for completing and certifying spill reports.

# 2.1 Regulatory Requirements for Organization Element

The summarized requirements for the Organization element of the SSMP are as follows:

The collection system agency's SSMP must identify:

- a) The name of the responsible or authorized representative.
- b) The names and telephone numbers for management, administrative, and maintenance positions responsible for implementing specific measures in the SSMP program. Include lines of authority as shown in an organization chart or similar document with a narrative explanation.
- c) The chain of communication for reporting SSOs, from receipt of a complaint or other information, including the person responsible for reporting SSOs to the State and Regional Water Board and other agencies if applicable (such as County Health Officer, County Environmental Health Agency, Regional Water Board, and/or State Office of Emergency Services (OES)).

# 2.2 Element 2 Appendix

Supporting information for Element 2 is included in **Appendix B**. This appendix includes the following documents:

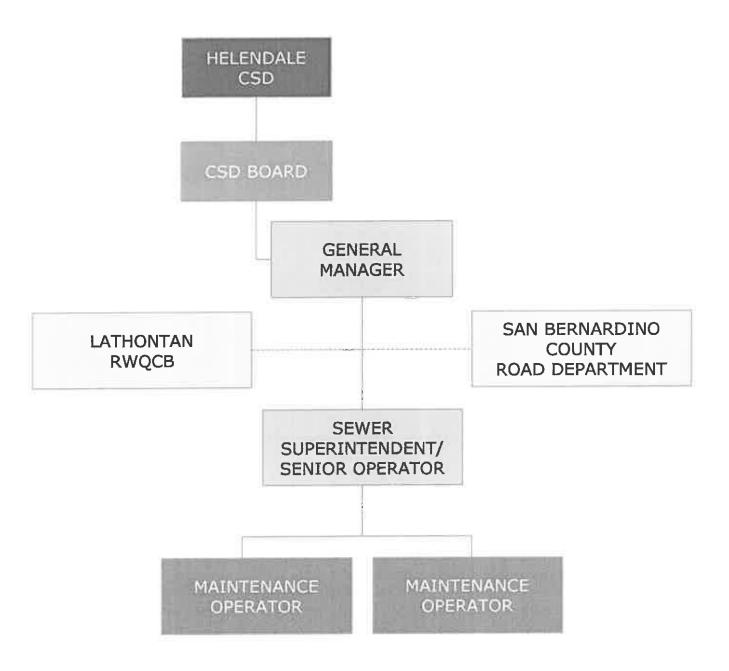
 Staff and agency contact names and phone numbers (updated as revisions occur).

### 2.3 Department Organization

The organization chart for the management. operation, and maintenance of the District's wastewater collection system is shown on **Figure 2-1**. The names and phone numbers of staff filling these positions are included in **Appendix B**.



Figure 2-1. Organization Chart of Sewer Staff





# 2.4 Description of General Responsibilities

<u>CSD Board</u>: Approves the Sewer Department budgets and gives general direction to the General Manager relative to the department's operations and representation of the CSD.

General Manager: Works under the broad policy guidance and direction of the CSD Board. Prepares and controls department budget. Develops and oversees department programs, including sewer operations and the Capital Improvement Program. Supervises the Sewer Superintendent.

Sewer Superintendent/Senior Operator: Plans, organizes, and supervises the maintenance and repair of District public works infrastructure, including the WWTP and sewers. Reviews plans and specifications for sewer and other projects, and makes recommendations regarding maintenance, construction, and operations aspects. Supervises and personally conducts cleaning and repair of sewer mains and lines and the location and raising of manholes. Trains crew members in specific tasks, as needed, including collection system preventive maintenance and SSO response. Checks work of assigned crew. Lays out and schedules work for crew. Confers with contractors, engineers, and members of the general public on construction and maintenance problems and procedures.

Maintenance Operator: Works as a member of a field maintenance crew. Cleans, unplugs, and repairs sewer lines. Locates and raises manholes. Operates power equipment including hydraulic cleaning truck and sewer rodder.

The Senior Operator and two Maintenance Operators coordinate together to make up one or two-person sewer cleaning teams. At all times one crew member is designated as the Initial Responder. Typically one person coordinates with a contracted flush truck to conduct the scheduled sewer cleaning cycle, . The other two-person team is responsible for 30-, 60-, 90-day cleaning as needed, zone cleaning (cyclic), follow-up cleaning, supplemental cleaning and CCTV of sewer mains. The initial responder also performs Underground Service Alerts (USAs), lift station inspections and sewer lateral rodding.

# 2.5 Authorized Representative

The District's authorized representative in all wastewater collection system matters is the Sewer Superintendent. The Superintendent is authorized to certify electronic spill reports submitted to the SWRCB, and is authorized to submit SSO reports to the appropriate government agencies.



# 2.6 Responsibility for SSMP Implementation

The General Manger of HCSD is responsible for implementing and maintaining all elements of this SSMP.

# 2.7 SSO Reporting Chain of Communication

**Figure 2-2** contains a flowchart depicting the chain of communication for responding to and reporting SSOs, from observation of an SSO to reporting the SSO to the appropriate regulatory agencies. **Table 2-1** lists contact phone numbers for the parties included in the chain of communication. The SSO Reporting process is described in more detail in Section 6: Overflow Emergency Response Plan.

Table 2-1, Contact Numbers for SSO Chain of Communication

CONTACT	PHONE (760)
District Office	951-0006
Sheriff Department (Victorville Station)	245-4211
Fire District, Station 4	245-5022
General Manager	951-0006
Sewer Superintendent (Alex)	221-1661
Sewer On-Call Personnel (General)	951-0006
Maintenance Operator (Bill)	221-3365
Maintenance Operator (Mike)	964-6829



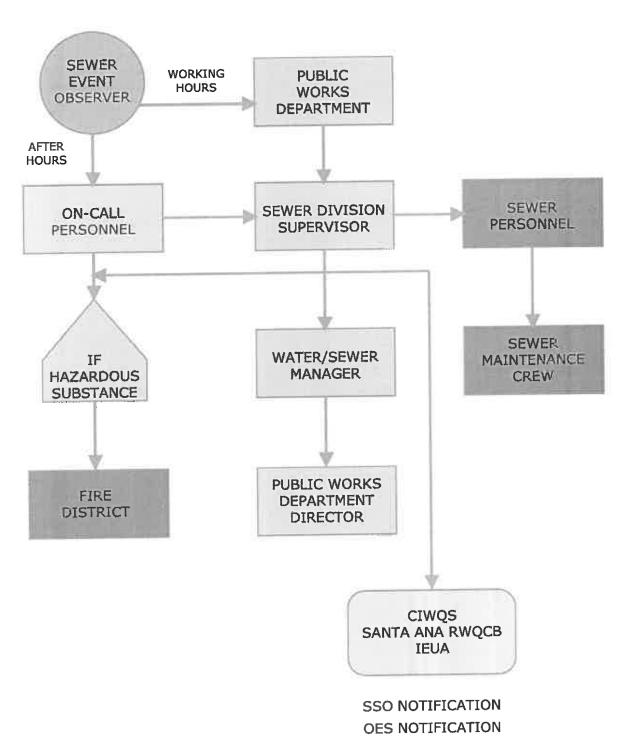


Figure 2-2. Chain of Communication



# 3.0 LEGAL AUTHORITY

This section describes the legal authority to implement the SSMP plans and procedures.

# 3.1 Regulatory Requirements for Legal Authority Element

The summarized requirements for the Organization element of the SSMP are as follows:

Each Enrollee must demonstrate, through sanitary sewer system use ordinances, service agreements, or other legally binding procedures, that it possesses the necessary legal authority to:

- a) Prevent illicit discharges into its sanitary sewer system, including I/I from satellite wastewater collection systems and laterals, stormwater, unauthorized debris, etc.
- b) Require proper design and construction of sewers and connections
- c) Ensure access for maintenance, inspection and repairs to publicly owned portions of laterals
- d) Limit the discharge of fats, oil and grease (FOG) and other debris that may cause blockages
- e) Enforce violations of its sewer ordinances

# 3.2 Element 3 Appendix

Supporting information for Element 3 is included in **Appendix C**. This appendix includes the following documents:

LAFCO 2996 – Helendale CSD Formation Resolution

# 3.3 Legal Authority

The HCSD was formed by LAFCO Action 2996 on June 21, 2006. The formation was based on County of San Bernardino LAFCO Resolution 2927, which transferred the functions of the County CSA 70 that was operating public facilities to the newly formed District.

The HCSD sanitary sewer system was originally operated by the County of San Bernardino CSA 70. All of the existing codified and uncodified County ordinances relating to CSA 70 are adopted by the District by reference. These ordinances are the main vehicle for the District to regulate sewer use and wastewater discharges.



# 4.0 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

This section describes the District's program to operate and maintain the sewer system, manage engineering data and capacity assurance, and provide training programs.

# 4.1 Regulatory Requirements for Operation & Maintenance Element

The summarized requirements for the Operation & Maintenance element of the SSMP are as follows:

- a) Maintain an up-to-date map of the sanitary sewer system, showing all gravity line segments and manholes, pumping facilities, pressure pipes and valves, and applicable stormwater conveyance facilities.
- b) Describe routine preventive operation and maintenance activities by staff and contractors, including a system for scheduling regular maintenance and cleaning of the sanitary sewer system with more frequent cleaning and maintenance targeted at known problem areas. The Preventative Maintenance (PM) program should have a system to document scheduled and conducted activities, such as work orders.
- c) Develop a rehabilitation and replacement plan to identify and prioritize system deficiencies and implement short-term and long-term rehabilitation actions to address each deficiency. The program should include regular visual and TV inspections of manholes and sewer pipes, and a system for ranking the condition of sewer pipes and scheduling rehabilitation. Rehabilitation and replacement should focus on sewer pipes that are at risk of collapse or prone to more frequent blockages due to pipe defects. Finally, the rehabilitation and replacement plan should include a capital improvement plan that addresses proper management and protection of the infrastructure assets. The plan shall include a time schedule for implementing the short- and long-term plans plus a schedule for developing the funds needed for the capital improvement plan.
- d) Provide training on a regular basis for staff in sanitary sewer system operations and maintenance, and require contractors to be appropriately trained.
- e) Provide equipment and replacement part inventories, including identification of critical replacement parts.

# 4.2 Element 4 Appendix

Supporting information for Element 4 is included in **Appendix D**. This appendix includes the following documents:

Workorder Example



II. Sewer Map Book and Maintenance Record Examples

# 4.3 Operation and Maintenance Program

The DISTRICT is charged with providing adequate operation and maintenance of sewer system facilities and equipment. The District has developed basic procedures to respond to various incidents such as interior plumbing issues, sewer back-ups, odors, lift station problems, and spill response.

# A. Sewer System Map

The District maintains a Sewer Map Book that includes detailed graphical data of all manholes, pipelines, cleanouts, force mains, lift stations, and private systems.

### **B.** Routine Maintenance

The routine cleaning of the District's sewer reaches is logged in the Daily Activity Logs, and documented in the Sewer Map Book. Approximately 8 to 10 miles of sewer are cleaned each year, resulting in about a three-year cycle to clean the entire system (~ 27 miles).

More frequent cleaning and maintenance is targeted at known problem areas, called "hot spots" in the District O&M Program.

As part of the preventative maintenance program, observations related to grease build-up, sags and other problems are tracked by the District. The Sewer Department then conducts further investigations as warranted to determine the cause of the identified problem. Enforcement and other actions relating to correcting problems are coordinated with the General Manager.

# C. Rehabilitation and Replacement Program

The entire sewer system was last CCTV'ed in 2009. The CCTV program identified problem reaches, and the District budget for 2010 will include repairs of observed problems. To conduct these repairs, the District has on-call agreements with contractors that are used to address problems in order of severity and potential to cause an SSO. Once all of the problems identified in the 2009 CCTV are repaired, another round of CCTV will be conducted in the future and the CIP will be updated.

The CIP budget for sewer system repairs and rehabilitation, based on needs identified in the 2009 CCTV program, is determined annually. An example is the \$160,000 project to reduce I/I in a reach of 30-inch sewer main by Insituform lining, completed in February 2010. The annual Operations & Maintenance budget also includes a line item for routine repairs.



### D. Staff Training

District staff participate in the certification program for operators, Grades I through IV. The District provides routine technical, job skills, and safety training for its staff. Contractors' staff are also required to provide evidence of appropriate training.

The District has developed an SSO Response Training program for all collection system maintenance workers, and has also developed training programs and standard operating procedures for line cleaning, vactor truck operation, sewer grit removal and dumping, pump station operation and maintenance, and other related tasks.

Technical training and supporting resources are maintained by the District, and all records and documentation are available for review.

### E. Facilities and Equipment Management

The District utilizes workorder software for on-going preventative and corrective maintenance. Sewer system assets that have scheduled or emergency maintenance activities are tracked to ensure that adequate operations are maintained. Work orders and repairs are also tracked in the program.

Available O&M manuals for the District's lift stations are located in the WWTP office. The Sewer Superintiendent is responsible for these documents, and has assigned management of the daily operations to the Senior Operator and the other Operators.



# 5.0 DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE PROVISIONS

This section describes the design and construction standards that the District utilizes for new sanitary sewer infrastructure, and the procedures and standards for inspection and testing of facilities. These provisions also apply to system repair or rehabilitation.

### 5.1 Regulatory Requirements for Design & Performance Standards Element

The summarized requirements for the Design & Performance Provisions element of the SSMP are as follows:

- a) Design and construction standards and specifications for the installation of new sanitary sewer systems, pump stations and other appurtenances; and for the rehabilitation and repair of existing sanitary sewer systems; and
- b) Procedures and standards for inspecting and testing the installation of new sewers, pumps, and other appurtenances and for rehabilitation and repair projects.

### 5.2 Element 5 Appendix

Supporting information for Element 5 is included in **Appendix D**. This appendix includes the following documents:

I. HCSD Standard Details and Notes (adopted from County CSA 70 details)

### 5.3 Design & Performance Standards

The District utilizes the Greenbook Standard Specifications and details to regulate sewer design and construction. The District will also continue to utilize in-place provisions included in CSA 70 ordinances, and employ current procedures.



# 6.0 OVERFLOW EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

This section summarizes the response plan and procedures followed by the District in the event of sanitary sewer overflows or other emergencies relating to the sewer system.

### 6.1 Regulatory Requirements for Overflow Emergency Response Element

The summarized requirements for the Overflow Emergency Response Plan element of the SSMP are as follows:

Each Enrollee shall develop and implement an overflow emergency response plan that identifies measures to protect public health and the environment. At a minimum, this plan must include the following:

- a) Proper notification procedures so that the primary responders and regulatory agencies are informed of all SSOs in a timely manner.
- b) A program to ensure an appropriate response to all overflows.
- c) Procedures to ensure prompt notification to appropriate regulatory agencies and other potentially affected entities (e.g. health agencies, Regional Water Boards, water suppliers, etc.) of all SSOs that potentially affect public health or reach the waters of the State in accordance with the MRP. All SSOs shall be reported in accordance with this MRP, the California Water Code, other State Law, and other applicable Regional Water Board WDRs or NPDES permit requirements. The SSMP should identify the officials who will receive immediate notification.
- d) Procedures to ensure that appropriate staff and contractor personnel are aware of and follow the Emergency Response Plan and are appropriately trained.
- e) Procedures to address emergency operations, such as traffic and crowd control and other necessary response activities.
- f) A program to ensure that all reasonable steps are taken to contain and prevent the discharge of untreated and partially treated wastewater to waters of the United States and to minimize or correct any adverse impact on the environment resulting from the SSOs, including such accelerated or additional monitoring as may be necessary to determine the nature and impact of the discharge.

### 6.2 Element 6 Appendix

Supporting information for Element 6 is included in **Appendix E**. This appendix includes the following documents:

Overflow Response Forms



### 6.3 Overflow Emergency Response Plan

#### **Notification Procedures**

The Chain of Communication shown in **Figure 2-2** indicates the notification procedures to notify primary responders of all SSOs in a timely manner. The notification includes the state and local agencies that need to be informed of events.

The District also maintains an "On-Call Program" (see **Appendix C**) for timely response to spills and other emergencies. Collection system staff are trained in this plan and are able to respond to a spill in less than an hour from the first call.

### Response Procedures

The District maintains procedures to investigate and assist in mitigation of various types of potential SSO discharges from the District system, as well as special circumstances including:

- Originating on private property
- Potentially reaching storm drains or channels
- Those potentially impacting public health or the environment

Standard department procedures provide for rapid mobilization, diagnosis, containment, reporting, and relief of the SSO cause. As needed, department staff and contractors utilize standard procedures to provide emergency operations such as traffic and crowd control and other emergency response activities.

#### **Spill Prevention**

The Operations & Maintenance Program followed by the District effectively prevents SSO's that could reasonably be anticipated. Physical situations in the collection system that become apparent after an SSO event are repaired or rectified as soon as practicable.



# 7.0 FATS, OIL AND GREASE CONTROL PROGRAM

This section discusses the FOG control program administered by the District to prevent discharges to the sewer system, and provide alternate methods of disposal.

# 7.1 Regulatory Requirements for FOG Control Program Element

The summarized requirements for the FOG Control Program element of the SSMP are as follows:

Each Enrollee shall evaluate its service area to determine whether a FOG control program is needed. If an Enrollee determines that a FOG program is not needed, the Enrollee must provide justification for why it is not needed. If FOG is found to be a problem, the Enrollee must prepare and implement a FOG source control program to reduce the amount of these substances discharged to the sanitary sewer system. This plan shall include the following as appropriate:

- a) An implementation plan and schedule for a public education outreach program that promotes proper disposal of FOG.
- b) A plan and schedule for the disposal of FOG generated within the sanitary sewer system service area. This may include a list of acceptable disposal facilities and/or additional facilities needed to adequately dispose of FOG generated within a sanitary sewer system service area.
- c) The legal authority to prohibit discharges to the system and identify measures to prevent SSOs and blockages caused by FOG.
- d) Requirements to install grease removal devices (such as traps or interceptors), design standards for the removal devices, maintenance requirements, BMP requirements, record keeping and reporting requirements.
- e) Authority to inspect grease producing facilities, enforcement authorities, and whether the Enrollee has sufficient staff to inspect and enforce the FOG ordinance.
- f) An identification of sanitary sewer system sections subject to FOG blockages and establishment of a cleaning maintenance schedule for each section.
- g) Development and implementation of source control measures for all sources of FOG discharged to the sanitary sewer system for each section identified in (f) above.

### 7.2 Element 7 Appendix

Supporting information for Element 7 is included in **Appendix F**. This appendix includes the following documents:

Fats, Oil, and Grease (FOG) Program Forms

### 7.3 FOG Control Program

The District controls FOG through the Operations & Maintenance Program, with special attention by Hot Spot responses.



The District has the legal authority to prohibit discharges to the system, and as documented in the Operations & Maintenance Program the District implements measures to prevent SSOs caused by fats, oils, or grease blockages.

The District sewer ordinance (CSA 70) includes specific requirements to install grease removal devices (traps or interceptors), the design requirements, and record keeping and reporting requirements. The ordinance gives the District authority to inspect grease-producing facilities. The County Department of Public Health also regulates and inspects internal grease trap units.

The Hot Spot program identifies sections of the sewer system subject to grease blockages, and establishes a cleaning and maintenance schedule for each of these reaches. Recurring conditions that can be attributed to FOG are investigated and mitigated.



# 8.0 SYSTEM EVALUATION AND CAPACITY ASSURANCE PLAN

This section summarizes the steps the District takes to routinely evaluate the sewer system and capacity, and to plan for needed upgrades and repairs.

# 8.1 Regulatory Requirements for System Evaluation & Capacity Assurance Plan Element

The summarized requirements for the System Evaluation & Capacity Assurance Plan element of the SSMP are as follows:

The Enrollee shall prepare and implement a capital improvement plan (CIP) that will provide hydraulic capacity of key sanitary sewer system elements for dry weather peak flow conditions, as well as the appropriate design storm or wet weather event. At a minimum, the plan must include:

- a) Evaluation: Actions needed to evaluate those portions of the sanitary sewer system that are experiencing or contributing to an SSO discharge caused by hydraulic deficiency. The evaluation must provide estimates of peak flows (including flows from SSOs that escape from the system) associated with conditions similar to those causing overflow events, estimates of the capacity of key system components, hydraulic deficiencies (including components of the system with limiting capacity) and the major sources that contribute to the peak flows associated with overflow events:
- b) Design Criteria: Where design criteria do not exist or are deficient, undertake the evaluation identified in (a) above to establish appropriate design criteria; and
- c) Capacity Enhancement Measures: The steps needed to establish a short- and long-term CIP to address identified hydraulic deficiencies, including prioritization, alternatives analysis, and schedules. The CIP may include increases in pipe size, I/I reduction programs, increases and redundancy in pumping capacity, and storage facilities. The CIP shall include an implementation schedule and shall identify sources of funding.
- d) Schedule: The Enrollee shall develop a schedule of completion dates for all portions of the capital improvement program developed in (a)-(c) above. This schedule shall be reviewed and updated consistent with the SSMP review and update requirements.

### 8.2 System Evaluation & Capacity Assurance Plan

The physical repair and rehabilitation needs of the District system are periodically determined through the CCTV inspection and associated condition assessment of selected pipelines. As part of the District Wastewater Master Plan (latest revision February 2002), a hydraulic analysis spreadsheet of the collection system has been developed to determine capacity requirements. The hydraulic data were utilized to



determine existing dry and wet weather system capacity and identify deficiencies in the system and improvements that will be necessary prior to adding significant source flow to the system. The analysis and assessment results were utilized to develop a short and long-term CIP for capacity enhancement. It is noted that the District is not currently experiencing capacity related problems.

The CIP developed by the District includes line items, based on improvement needs identified in the CCTV program, to be constructed by contractors. Significant repairs or facility upgrade needs that are identified during cleaning and maintenance activities are included as separate line items. Hot spot repairs and similar activities are funded in the annual O&M budget.



# 9.0 MONITORING, MEASUREMENT AND PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS

This section discusses the District's ongoing monitoring activities to maintain information needed to regulate SSMP activities, and measure the effectiveness of the programs. Appropriate program modifications will be identified.

# 9.1 Regulatory Requirements for Monitoring, Measurement & Program Modifications Element

The summarized requirements for the Monitoring, Measurement & Program Modifications element of the SSMP are as follows:

- a) Maintain relevant information that can be used to establish and prioritize appropriate SSMP activities:
- b) Monitor the implementation and, where appropriate, measure the effectiveness of each element of the SSMP;
- c) Assess the success of the preventative maintenance program;
- d) Update program elements, as appropriate, based on monitoring or performance evaluations; and
- e) Identify and illustrate SSO trends, including: frequency, location, and volume

#### 9.2 Monitoring, Measurement & Program Modifications

The District maintains complete records of all SSO's, hot spots, and other sewer system maintenance and repair activities, as described in Sections 4 and 6. The District maintains preventative maintenance records in the workorder system. Examples of the District's tracking and reporting forms are included in Appendices D and F.

The District last completed system-wide CCTV inspections in 2009, and conducts an annual cleaning program that covers the entire system on a three-year rotation. These programs, along with the hot spot identification, allow the District to continuously monitor and update records on the condition of the sewers.

The CSD maintains a list of all food service establishments that are regulated by the District. Inspections and other activities are documented by the Department, and hot spot and enforcement issues are coordinated with the District staff.



### 10.0 SSMP PROGRAM AUDITS

This section discusses the methods that the District will employ to audit the SSMP Program.

### 10.1 Regulatory Requirements for SSMP Program Audits Element

The summarized requirements for the SSMP Program Audits element of the SSMP are as follows:

As part of the SSMP, the Enrollee shall conduct periodic internal audits, appropriate to the size of the system and the number of SSOs. At a minimum, these audits must occur every two years and a report must be prepared and kept on file. This audit shall focus on evaluating the effectiveness of the SSMP and the Enrollee's compliance with the SSMP requirements identified in this subsection (D.13), including identification of any deficiencies in the SSMP and steps to correct them.

### 10.2 SSMP Program Audits

The Sewer Department and General Manager will conduct an annual audit of the SSMP Program, prior to the annual update report to the District Board (see Section 11). It is anticipated that this meeting will be in November of each year, so that the District is prepared for the following wet weather season.

The annual audit will focus on the effectiveness of the sewer system operations and compliance status, and include the following:

- Any revisions made to the SSMP since the last audit
- Sewer system construction completed during the past year
- Summary of SSO's reported
- Observed sewer system or SSMP deficiencies
- Strategies to correct deficiencies
- Description of proposed capital improvement and operations improvements during the next year



### 11.0 COMMUNICATION PROGRAM

This section discusses the District's communication program to keep the public and other District departments apprised of SSMP status.

# 11.1 Regulatory Requirements for Communication Program Element

The summarized requirements for the Communication Program element of the SSMP are as follows:

The Enrollee shall communicate on a regular basis with the public on the development, implementation, and performance of its SSMP. The communication system shall provide the public the opportunity to provide input to the Enrollee as the program is developed and implemented. The Enrollee shall also create a plan of communication with systems that are tributary and/or satellite to the Enrollee's sanitary sewer system.

### 11.2 Communications Program

The SSMP process was initially discussed in a public forum at the April 15, 2010 District Board meeting, where the plan was adopted. An annual update report will be provided to the District Board in public forum by the General Manager. Public input received at District Board meetings will be addressed, and the SSMP revised as appropriate.

The Sewer Department communicates on a regular basis with the General Manager regarding sewer system operations topics, as they arise.





# Helendale Community Services District

Date:

January 18, 2018

TO:

**Board of Directors** 

FROM:

Kimberly Cox, General Manager

SUBJECT:

Agenda item #9

Discussion Only Regarding Wastewater Plant Tertiary Upgrade Report

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff requests that the Board receive and file the report.

#### **STAFF REPORT:**

At the last meeting Staff passed out to the Board for review a copy of the Draft *WWTP Tertiary Upgrade Project: Process Selection and Cost Evaluation*. An additional copy can be made available for the Board members upon request.

Over the past decade the District has had numerous conversations regarding the upgrade of the wastewater facility so that the water could be utilized for other purposes. The challenge has always been discerning what the project would cost. The Silver Lakes Association (Association) has a pre-existing contract that stipulates they are entitled to all of the recycled water and bear the obligation for the cost of the upgrade and on-going operations. The Association contracted with IEC Engineers on behalf of the District to develop a report that analyzed potential upgrade scenarios and the associated costs. The District in turn contracted for an independent third-party engineer who specializes in construction to review the numbers and ensure the highest level of accuracy. In addition, a third engineering firm who had recently constructed one of the alternatives provided additional input to the third-party engineer.

With the thorough peer review that has occurred, Staff believes that the cost estimates for the four options are reasonable in 2018 dollars. It is important to understand that costs continue to go up so if the project is not constructed for several years, these costs would be invalid. They do, however, give a excellent cost point in today's dollars. Below is the construction costs and annual operating costs for four alternative treatment processes.

Process	Construction Costs	Annual O&M
Activated Sludge	\$ 9,323,000	\$242,000
Biolac Basins	\$ 8,480,000	\$184,000
Sequencing Batch Reactors	\$10,054,000	\$232,000
Membrane Bioreactors	\$ 9,428,000	\$312,000

Based upon the evaluation of alternatives the Biolac Basin would be the most cost effective in construction costs and annual operations & maintenance costs. Engineering costs range from \$2.8 to \$3.3 million for the various alternatives.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

None at this time.