

**MEMORANDUM
CITY OF LANCASTER, CA**

TO: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

FROM: Vice Mayor Ron Smith

DATE: October 12, 2010

SUBJECT: **Report on the Activities of the Board of Directors for District No. 14 of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County**

Recommendation:

Receive a report of the proceedings and issues discussed at the September 22, 2010, District No. 14 Board of Directors meeting of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County.

Background:

District No. 14 of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County is organized to receive through their trunk sewers the wastewater from all of the City of Lancaster, a small region of the westerly portion of the City of Palmdale, and a smaller region of the unincorporated County of Los Angeles. A Board of Directors comprised of a representative from each city and the County generally meets monthly to review and decide upon the business of the District.

At the September 22, 2010, meeting, the Board of Directors adopted the following recommendations of the Sanitation Districts' staff:

- Approved warrants in amount of \$89,894.96. The warrants issued by the local District are for costs incurred for operation and maintenance, such as electricity, water, telephone, and chemicals, and for relatively small capital projects. Expenditures are made in accordance with the guidelines established by the budget procedure and the purchasing policy that has been adopted by the Board.
- Approved departmental invoice for \$7,680,009.51. The departmental invoice is an internal document that transfers each District's proportionate share of expenditures made by District No. 2, the administrative District, on behalf of the participating Districts in accordance with the authority granted through the approved annual budget and applicable joint powers authority.
- Approved plans and call for bids for construction of Lancaster Water Reclamation Plan (WRP) storage reservoir liner system vent piping and authorized the Chief Engineer and General Manager to establish a date for receipt of bids. The Lancaster WRP storage reservoirs were lined to comply with the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board requirements. When the reservoirs are empty, certain sudden changes in weather conditions can cause the air trapped below the liner to expand, resulting in excessive stretching and damage to the liner. The proposed project consists of installation of piping beneath the reservoir liner system to vent trapped air to the atmosphere.