

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Benoit, Supervisor Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE:
July 3, 2012

SUBJECT: Salton Sea Authority Annual Membership Fee

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the annual membership fee for the Salton Sea Authority of \$60,000 for fiscal year 2012-2013
2. Direct the Auditor Controller to make budget adjustments as outlined in Attachment A

BACKGROUND: The Salton Sea Authority board members approved at their meeting on May 24, 2012, the annual budget for fiscal year 2012-2013. The county's cost share for the membership fee is \$60,000. This will allow the Salton Sea Authority to maintain its basic operations while seeking to implement the preferred alternative for restoration of the Salton Sea. Supporting documentation from the Salton Sea Authority is attached.


John Benoit, Fourth District Supervisor


Marion Ashley, Fifth District Supervisor

Attachment A

Source of Funds: Palm Desert Redevelopment Tax Increment

Increase Appropriations:

31549-1100100000-523100	Memberships	\$60,000
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Anticipated Decrease in Fund Balance:

31540-1100100000-308158	Res for RDA Capital Improvements	\$60,000
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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
SALTON SEA AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 24, 2012

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Salton Sea Authority (Authority) Board of Directors (Board) was called to order by Gary Wyatt, Vice-President, at 10:10 a.m., May 24, 2012 at Imperial Irrigation District, Bill Condit Auditorium, 1285 Broadway Avenue, El Centro, CA 92243, (760) 482-9618.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' PRESENT

Gary Wyatt, Vice-President
Jim Hanks, Secretary
Stella Mendoza
Peter Nelson

AGENCY

Imperial County
Imperial Irrigation District
Imperial Irrigation District
Coachella Valley Water District

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' ABSENT

Marion Ashley, President
John J. Benoit
Rodney Bonner
Corky Larson
John Renison

AGENCY

Riverside County
Riverside County
Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla
Coachella Valley Water District
Imperial County

II. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public comments were made by Bill Meister, Paul Quill and Serena Lang.

II. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

III. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Budget Committee**
This committee has met its objectives and has been dissolved.
2. **Executive Director Search Committee**
No action at this time is necessary.

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR – Approve, Receive and File

1. Minutes for April 26, 2012
2. Warrant Register Ratification for: 04/01/2012 –04/30/2012
3. Cash Flow Projection for: 04/01/2010 – 06/30/2012
4. Budget Transfer
5. Amendment Number 5 to Contract for Andrew Schlange; Informational Only

A motion was made by Stella Mendoza and seconded by Jim Hanks to approve the Consent Calendar. There were no objections. The motion carried.

V. PRESENTATIONS

1. **Fish and Game Species Conservation Habitat**

A presentation was made by David Elms of the Fish and Game Species Conservation Habitat; David Elms, DFG Environmental Program Manager, 760-200-9394, Salton Sea Website, www.water.ca.gov/saltonsea.

A motion was made by Jim Hanks and seconded by Stella Mendoza to support the Department of Fish and Game Program re: Species Conservation Habitat. There were no objections. The motion carried.

2. **IID Red Hill Bay**

A presentation was made by Bruce Wilcox.

3. **State Park Recreational Area Request**

A report was made by Andy Schlange. He noted there is a Dead Fish Cleanup restricted fund in the General Fund, and that a portion of this fund could be used for the Sea and Desert Interpretative Association to use in their efforts to clean up fish kill at the North Shore State Park. This item will be researched further and brought back at the next Board meeting with.

Stella Mendoza, Board Member, additionally noted that on July 5th the Imperial Irrigation Board will move on this request item as well.

VI. REPORTS

1. Update on Activities by J. Andrew Schlange
2. Update on Legislative Process by Bob Hargreaves

VII. CURRENT BUSINESS

1. Proposed Budget and Work Plan

A motion was made by Stella Mendoza and seconded by Jim Hanks to approve the Proposed Budget and Work Plan. There were no objections. The motion carried.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Salton Sea Restoration Council Elimination

A motion was made by Stella Mendoza and seconded by Peter Nelson to approve the Elimination of the Salton Sea Restoration Council. There were no objections. The motion carried.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Vice-President Gary Wyatt adjourned the meeting at 11:46 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be June 28, 2012, 10:00 a.m., at the Coachella Valley Water District, Dr. Forbes Auditorium, 85-995 Avenue 52, Coachella, CA 92236, (760) 398-2651.

**Salton Sea Authority
PROPOSED BUDGET for
Basic Operations
Fiscal Year 2012-2013**

	FY11-12 Budget	FY11-12 Monthly Average Actual	FY12-13 Proposed Annual Budget
Staffing Expense			
ED Consultant	60,000	5,000	72,000
Financial Support (Gloria Sampson)	12,000	1,000	17,320
Administrative Assistant (Janis Dawson)	17,520	1,460	22,000
General Office Expense			
Computer/Network Maintenance	4,800	400	4,800
Computer/Software License	1,300	100	1,200
Computer Upgrade (2 PCs/monitor/sftwr/install)	4,800	400	-
Insurance	10,000	833	10,000
Office Supplies (bank chgs, copies, suppl)	2,400	200	2,400
Postage	900	75	900
Printing (letterhead, business cards)	1,200	100	1,200
Storage Rental	2,700	225	2,700
Telephone	3,720	210	2,520
Travel/mileage reimbursements	1,680	140	1,680
Travel/meetings	3,600	300	3,600
Website Maintenance	3,720	310	3,720
Website Updating	2,000	167	2,000
Professional Services:			
Audit FY12	12,500	1,250	15,000
Legal (Robert Hargreaves)	31,800	2,650	40,000
Special Consultant	60,000	5,000	30,000
Technical Support (TetraTech)	20,000	1,667	20,000
Technical Support (TT) Balance FY12 budget			
Reserve			
Office ShutDown/Special Reserve	5,000	417	10,000
Operational Reserve	12,000	1,000	12,000
Total Annual Operating Budget	273,640	22,903	275,040
Funding Sources			
Unobligated cash balance at 6/30/12 (anticipated)			21,200
Reserves held from previous year			17,000
County of Riverside			60,000
County of Imperial			60,000
CVWD			60,000
Imperial Irrigation District			60,000
Torres Martinez			7,000
Total Funding Sources			285,200
Less Total Annual Operating budget			(275,040)
Anticipated Operating Cash Balance at 6/30/13			10,160

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Notes to Proposed Budget:

The proposed budget assumes maintaining operations similar in scope to the previous year.