

**SUBMITTAL TO THE FLOOD CONTROL AND  
WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

105B



**FROM:** General Manager-Chief Engineer

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
September 15, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Request for Delegation of Authority to General Manager-Chief Engineer to Authorize Utility Adjustments and Relocations up to the Amount of \$200,000 All Districts, District Funds 100%

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors: Authorize the General Manager-Chief Engineer or his designee to execute necessary paper work and authorize payments to utility owners for necessary utility adjustments and relocations up to the amount of \$200,000 per occurrence.

**BACKGROUND:**  
Summary  
See Page 2.

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**WARREN D. WILLIAMS**  
General Manager-Chief Engineer

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy <input type="checkbox"/>
NET DISTRICT COST	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** See Page 2

**Budget Adjustment:** No  
**For Fiscal Year:** 15/16 thereafter

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE

BY:   
Steven C. Horn

**County Executive Office Signature**

**MINUTES OF THE FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

On motion of Supervisor Tavaglione, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington, Benoit and Ashley  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: September 15, 2015  
xc: Flood

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 11-5 of 10/05/10 | District: All | Agenda Number:

**11-3**

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY: GREGORY P. PRIAMOS  
DATE: 9/2/15

FISCAL PROCEDURES APPROVED  
JEANINE J. REY, FINANCE DIRECTOR  
BY: JEANINE J. REY  
Departmental Concurrence  
9/2/15

- A-30
- 4/5 Vote
- Positions Added
- Change Order

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**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**FORM 11:** Request for Delegation of Authority to General Manager-Chief Engineer to Authorize Utility Adjustments and Relocations up to the Amount of \$200,000; All Districts, District Funds 100%

**DATE:** September 15, 2015

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**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary (continued)**

As a part of the cooperative agreement for the District's capital improvement projects, both the County of Riverside and Cities within the County typically agree to order the relocation of all utilities installed by permit or franchise within County or City rights of way which conflict with the construction of projects and which must be relocated at the utility owner's expense. However, the District typically bears the relocation cost of conflicting utilities, which are either located outside of public rights of way or cannot be ordered to be relocated by County or City at utility owner's expense.

In cases where the District has determined it is advantageous to relocate the conflicting utility prior to project construction, the utility owner is often the entity best suited to design and construct the utility relocation in the most cost effective and timely manner. Also, for some utility owners (e.g., Southern California Edison and The Gas Company) the facilities and associated work is proprietary. These owners will not allow other entities or contractors to relocate their facilities.

In September 2010 the Board of Supervisors authorized the General Manager-Chief Engineer to make relocation payments of up to \$100,000. Over the past five years, there have been a number of instances where planned relocation costs have exceeded \$100,000 (i.e., major lines were affected or multiple interferences needed to be relocated by a single utility owner). More problematically, there have also been cases where undocumented interfering lines have been discovered during construction. These in-progress proprietary relocations cannot be accomplished under contract change orders because the District has no contractual relationship with the utility owner. Moreover, the utility owners routinely require advance deposits to begin the relocation work. This recommendation allows the District to complete the relocations in a timely manner with reduced costs and reduced inconvenience to the traveling public.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

When undocumented lines lead to in-progress utility relocations, increasing the authorized amount to \$200,000 will benefit residents and businesses by expediting the required utility relocation work thereby minimizing traffic impacts associated with delay in accomplishing relocations by utility owners.

**SUPPLEMENTAL:**

**Additional Fiscal Information**

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

25110-947400-527980 Zone 1 Const/Maint/Misc  
25120-947420-527980 Zone 2 Const/Maint/Misc  
25130-947440-527980 Zone 3 Const/Maint/Misc  
25140-947460-527980 Zone 4 Const/Maint/Misc  
25150-947480-527980 Zone 5 Const/Maint/Misc  
25160-947500-527980 Zone 6 Const/Maint/Misc  
25170-947520-527980 Zone 7 Const/Maint/Misc