SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<u>AGENDA</u>

April 30, 2003 1:30 P.M.

Location--1630 West Redlands Boulevard, Suite A, Redlands, California

Note: Copies of staff reports and other documents relating to the items on this agenda are on file at the District offices and are available for public review during normal District business hours.

CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on any item that is within the jurisdiction of the Board; however, no action may be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by Subdivision (b) Section 54954.2 of the Government Code.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF GROUNDWATER CHARGE

Article 1, Section 75560 of the California Water Code requires that a Water Conservation District that proposes to levy a ground water charge "...shall annually cause to be made an engineering investigation and report upon groundwater conditions of the District." District staff will present the annual Bunker Hill Engineering Investigation Report and review the Groundwater Replenishment Program annual budget for increasing the groundwater charge rates.

Recommended Action: Conduct a Public Hearing to present the Annual Engineering Investigation Report and proposed groundwater charge, continuing the present rates of \$1.50 per acre-foot for agricultural purposes and \$5.50 per acre-foot for non-agricultural purposes, for the ensuing year (July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004), describe any written comments received, and hear oral comments.

3. GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT PROGRAM

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution No. 394, "Establishing a Groundwater Charge on the Production of Groundwater within District Boundaries, and Making Certain Findings Relative Thereto."

It is the intention of the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District to comply with the American With Disabilities Act (ADA) in all respects. If you need special assistance with respect to the agenda or other written materials forwarded to the members of the Board for consideration at the public meeting, or if as an attendee or a participant at this meeting you will need special assistance, the District will attempt to accommodate you in every reasonable manner. Please contact Ms. Colleen Theuer (793-2503) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to inform her of your particular needs and to determine if accommodation is feasible. Please advise us at that time if you will need accommodations to attend or participate in meetings on a regular basis.

- 4. CONSENT CALENDAR All matters on the Consent Calendar are expected to be routine and non-controversial. The Board will be asked to approve these items at one time without discussion, unless a Board member or staff requests separate action on a specific item. That item will then be addressed in the order shown.
 - A. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 31, 2003
 - B. Approval of the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of April 11, 2003
 - C. Approval of the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of April 17, 2003
 - D. Approval of the Un-audited Financial Report for April 2003
 - E. Approval of Expenditures for April 2003

5. PUBLIC AWARENESS/GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS PROGRAM

Recommendation: Receive report and provide guidance to staff as appropriate.

6. STATUS OF THE AWASH PLAN@ ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS

Recommended Action: Receive report and provide guidance to staff as appropriate.

7. PERSONNEL PAY RANGES

Recommended Action: Accept the Personnel Committee recommendation on Ranges of Pay.

8. FY 2003-2004 DISTRICT OPERATING BUDGET

Recommended Action: Accept the Finance Committee recommendation to approve the District budget for FY 2003-2004, including an increased rate for General Counsel.

9. LAFCO MUNICIPAL SERVICE REVIEW

Recommended Action: Approve a recommendation from the Public Affairs Committee to issue a work order in the amount of \$3,500 to tWrite to prepare the non-technical portions of the LAFCO MSR.

10. LAND RESOURCES

Recommended Action: Approve the following land resources transactions (if available):

- a. Easement with the City of Redlands and Cemex, USA
- b. Lease Amendment with Cemex, USA
- c. Lease Amendment with Robertson's Ready Mix

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recommended Action: Receive Committee reports and provide guidance to staff as appropriate.

12. GENERAL MANAGER=S REPORT

Recommended Action: Discuss and provide guidance to staff as appropriate on the following topics:

- A. High Groundwater Issues
- B. Water Spreading Operations
- C. District Land Issues

- D. Big Bear Watermaster
- E. Water Resources Studies
- F. Environmental Issues
- G. Exchange Plan Issues
- H. Legislative Issues
- I. Upcoming Meetings
- 13. DIRECTORS = REPORTS

Recommended Action: Receive reports from Directors and provide guidance to staff as appropriate.

14. ATTORNEY=S REPORT

Recommended Action: Receive report of legal issues and provide guidance to staff as appropriate.

15. CLOSED SESSION

A. Under the authority of Government Code Section 54956.9a, the Board of Directors may recess to Closed Session to consider the Applications before the State Water Resources Control Board to appropriate waters of the Santa Ana River, Application Nos. 31165, 31370, and 31371.

and/or

B. Under the authority of Government Code Section 54956.9a, the Board of Directors may recess to Closed Session to consider the applications by Southern California Edison before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to re-license hydroelectric plants on the Santa Ana River, Mill Creek, and Lytle Creek.

and/or

C. Under the authority of Government Code Section 54956.9 (b)(3)(a), and Section 54956.9(c), the Board may recess to Closed Session to confer with legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation in one case.

and/or

D. Under the authority of Government Code Section 54956.8, the Board of Directors may recess to Closed Session to consider lease and/or Real Property negotiations with Robertson=s Ready Mix; if action is directed, the negotiators will be D. Burnell Cavender and David Cosgrove with the District; and Dennis Troesh of Robertson=s Ready Mix.

and/or

E. Under the authority of Government Code Section 54956.8, the Board of Directors may recess to Closed Session to consider lease and/or Real Property negotiations with CEMEX,

USA; if action is directed, the negotiators will be D. Burnell Cavender and David Cosgrove with the District; and Tom Powell and Christine Jones of CEMEX, USA.

16. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is June 4, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.

17. ADJOURN MEETING