ORDINANCE NO. 2014-1

ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AMENDING DISTRICT POLICY REGARDING COMPENSATION TO DISTRICT DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, California Water Code Sections 74208 et seq. provide that each director of the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District ("District") may receive compensation for each day's attendance at meetings of the Board or for each day's service rendered as a director by request of the Board, as authorized or permitted by law, together with allowed expenses incurred in the performance of his or her duties required or authorized by the Board; and

WHEREAS, California Water Code Sections 20201 *et seq*. authorize a water district to provide, by ordinance, that the number of days for which each director may receive compensation may be set to a number not to exceed 10 days per month; and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Directors previously passed Ordinance 95-1 relating to policies of compensation to Directors for attendance at Board meetings, and reimbursement of expenses; and

WHEREAS, that Ordinance fixed compensation for Directors at one hundred five dollars (\$105.00) per meeting, and provided for an automatic yearly increase in such amount, as authorized by California Water Code sections 20201 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, given such annual increases since Ordinance 95-1 was passed, that amount is now one hundred ninety-seven dollars (\$197.00); and

WHEREAS, the District's Board of Directors now wishes to modify those policies; and

WHEREAS, after notice published pursuant to Government Code section 6066, the District's Board of Directors held a public hearing to consider adoption of this Ordinance; and to hear and consider public comment thereon;

NOW, **THEREFORE**, the Board of Directors of the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1:

The following compensation shall be paid to each director for attendance at meetings of or at the request of the Board of Directors:

- a) Each director shall receive compensation in an amount of one hundred ninety-seven dollars (\$197.00) per day for attendance at each regular, adjourned or special meeting of the Board of Directors.
- b) Each director shall receive compensation in an amount of one hundred ninety-seven dollars (\$197.00) per day for attendance at each authorized meeting of a committee of the Board of Directors, conference, or other authorized meeting.
- c) The designation of the meetings for which attendance is reimbursable shall be set forth in the Board Policy Manual, which may be amended by resolution of the Board.
- d) The Board shall, each year following the effective date of this Ordinance, no later than at its regular meeting in December, place on the agenda for open session a consideration of whether to implement a five percent (5%) increase for that year, implement a lesser amount of increase, or forego receipt of an increase. Such determination shall be made by resolution of the Board, which must be adopted by no less than a majority of the thensitting members of the Board. In the event such resolution is passed the compensation for the ensuing year shall be paid at the rate specified in the resolution. If no resolution is passed the compensation for the ensuing year shall be the same as the prior year.

e) In order to receive payment for meetings authorized under Subsections 1 a) and 1 b) above, each director shall submit a written report listing the date of attendance, type of meeting attended, and expenses incurred, consistent with procedures set out on the Board Policy Manual, which may be amended by resolution of the Board.

Section 2:

The Districts compensation and expense reimbursement policies shall apply to each Director attending authorized conferences, seminars and other meetings as a director or representative of the District at the request of the Board of Directors. Policy and procedures or expense reimbursements are included in the Board Policy Manual, which may be amended by resolution of the Board.

Section 3:

Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 1 and 2 above, compensation for each person can be earned for only one (1) meeting per calendar day, or one conference per calendar day. No director shall be authorized to receive compensation for attendance or services rendered for more than a total of ten (10) days in any calendar month. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the District's Board of Directors may, by resolution, from time to time, establish the total days per month eligible for compensation at a number less than ten (10) days. Any such resolution must be adopted by a vote of not less than a majority of thensitting Directors.

Section 4:

Payment of compensation for attendance at the approved meetings or conferences will be processed pursuant to procedures specified in the Board Policy Manual, which may be amended by resolution of the Board.

Section 5:

This Ordinance supersedes and rescinds all previously adopted resolutions and ordinances or promulgated by the Board of Directors regarding compensation, reimbursement, or per diem payment to directors in connection with attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors or its committees, or conferences, seminars or other approved meetings attended at the request or authorization of the Board of Directors.

Section 6:

This Ordinance shall become effective 60 days after its date of passage. The Board Secretary is authorized and directed to publish notice of adoption of this Ordinance in the manner prescribed by Water Code Section 20201 and 74651 and as otherwise required by law.

PASSED, **APPROVED AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District this 12th day of March, 2014, by the following roll-call vote:

YES: 5 DIRECTORS: Corneille, McDonald, Aranda, Longville & Raley

NO: DIRECTORS:

ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS:

ABSENT: DIRECTORS:

Richard Corneille, President

Board Secretary 2

ATTEST