

## MEMORANDUM

Date: October 30, 2024  
To: Improvements Committee  
From: Mimi Morris – General Manager  
Subject: **Request for Sacramento County Water Agency Study on Feasibility of SCWA as a Potential Supplemental Water Supply for the District**

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### BACKGROUND

The District received a request to direct \$30,000 of Water Supply Augmentation Reserve funds to a formal analysis of the viability of connecting Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA) to Rancho Murieta to provide an additional source of water for the community. The District is approaching 3,000 water connections and currently has one source of water supply. The District's water right allows for both direct diversion of water and storage of water in three reservoirs. For the safety, security and reliability of potable drinking water California (per SB552-Hertzberg, 2021) requires two sources of water for District's under 3,000 connections. During and following past drought periods there has been some exploration into alternative sources. Sacramento County's development has been moving east and will bring a treated water drinking connection that may be utilized as a second source.

### PROPOSAL

Staff proposes that the District move forward with a water modeling study to be conducted by Sacramento County Water Agency as a possibility of an alternative source of treated drinking water. The study has an estimated full cost of \$30,000. The source of this funding would come from the Water Supply Augmentation Reserve Account.