

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: MAY 10, 2006

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER

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SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR LAS VIRGENES MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT APPLICATIONS

Staff received a request from the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District requesting support from the City for various funding applications that would serve to assist in reducing non-native flows and improve the environment of the Malibu Creek Watershed and Santa Monica Mountains. These applications are being reviewed as part of the federal budget process.

The Water District is seeking funding for several different programs:

1. Expanding the existing Recycled Water Pump Station
2. Expanding watershed education through student outreach programs
3. Reducing raw wastewater diversion into the Tapia Water Reclamation Facility

The City typically works with other regional agencies with the goal of improving the quality of life in and around Agoura Hills. Staff has reviewed these funding requests and feels that they are valid and would not conflict with any of the City's federal funding requests.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff is recommending that the City Council provide support for the federal funding applications submitted by the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District through a letter of support signed by the Mayor.

Attachment: Draft Letter of Support