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June 2, 2016

***Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the
Commissioners of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors
Association to be held at the Palmdale Water District's office
at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale***

Thursday, June 9, 2016

7:00 p.m.

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Each item on the agenda shall be deemed to include any appropriate motion, resolution, or ordinance to take action on any item.

- 1) Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) Roll call.
- 3) Public comments for items not on the agenda.
- 4) Consideration and possible action on minutes of regular meeting held March 10, 2016.
- 5) Payment of bills.

- 6) Consideration and possible action on acceptance and filing of audit for year ended June 30, 2015. (General Manager Knudson/Senior Accountant Hoffmeyer)
- 7) Discussion and possible action on creating an Ad-Hoc Committee to discuss regional banking and State Water Project exchange opportunities. (General Manager Knudson)
- 8) Discussion and possible action on the recommendation of the member agencies General Managers regarding regional leadership of water conservation efforts. (Commissioner Weisenberger)
- 9) Discussion and possible action on Annual SMART Landscaping Expo. (Controller Barnes)
- 10) Report of General Manager.
 - a) Update on Revenue, Expenses and Change in Net Position.
 - b) Update on Antelope Valley Watermaster meetings.
- 11) Report of Controller.
 - a) Update on status of agreement related to regional control of water from the State Water Project.
- 12) Reports of Commissioners.
- 13) Report of Attorney.
- 14) Commission members' requests for future agenda items.
- 15) Consideration and possible action on scheduling the next Association meeting.
- 16) Adjournment.

ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 2, 2016 June 9, 2016
TO: AVSWCA Commissioners Commission Meeting
FROM: Matthew R. Knudson, General Manager
RE: *AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON
ACCEPTANCE AND FILING OF AUDIT FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015.*

Staff recommends acceptance and filing of the audit for the year ended June 30, 2015.

A draft of the Independent Auditors' Report and Financial Statements for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 is attached. This information will be reviewed in detail at the meeting.

Supporting Documents:

--Independent Auditors' Report and Financial Statements for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association

Palmdale, California

Independent Auditors' Report and Financial Statements

For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014



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Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association
For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Governing Board
of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association
Palmdale, California

Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association (the "Association"), which comprise of the balance sheets of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and change in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Association's basic financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association, as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Santa Ana, California
April 30, 2016

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association
Balance Sheets
June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 126,326	\$ 128,952
Prepaid items	546	-
Total assets	\$ 126,872	\$ 128,952
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ 61,331	\$ 52,349
Total liabilities	61,331	52,349
NET POSITION		
Unrestricted	65,541	76,603
Total net position	65,541	76,603
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 126,872	\$ 128,952

Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association
Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
OPERATING REVENUES		
Member agency contributions	\$ 24,000	\$ 18,000
Contributions - other	76,725	89,400
Grant income	278,210	-
Other income	-	3,550
Total operating revenues	378,935	110,950
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Contract services	372,602	102,181
General and administrative expenses	17,507	17,080
Total operating expenses	390,109	119,261
Net operating loss	(11,174)	(8,311)
NONOPERATING REVENUES		
Investment income	112	50
Total nonoperating revenues	112	50
Changes in net position	(11,062)	(8,261)
Net position		
Beginning of year	76,603	84,864
End of year	\$ 65,541	\$ 76,603

Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association
Statements of Cash Flows
For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from member agencies	\$ 24,000	\$ 18,000
Cash received from contributions	76,179	152,695
Cash received from grant revenue	278,210	-
Cash received from other revenue	-	3,550
Cash payments for operating expenses	(381,127)	(162,861)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	(2,738)	11,384
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Investment income	112	50
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	112	50
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(2,626)	11,434
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Beginning of year	128,952	117,518
End of year	\$ 126,326	\$ 128,952
Reconciliation of net operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Net operating loss	\$ (11,174)	\$ (8,311)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	(546)	63,295
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	8,982	(43,600)
Net cash provided by operating activities:	\$ (2,738)	\$ 11,384

Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

Note 1 – Reporting Entity

The Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association (the “Association”) was consolidated on May 26, 1999 as a joint powers authority in an effort to optimize the use of state water resources and protect surface water and groundwater storage within the Antelope Valley. Three public agencies combined to form the Association in serving the Antelope Valley: Antelope Valley – East Kern Water Agency, Littlerock Creek Irrigation District, and Palmdale Water District, which constitutes the member agencies. Each member agency appoints two members to the Governing Board.

The Association is a legally separate, tax-exempt organization whose resources are used principally to provide support to the Association. The Association has no component units or potential component units.

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

The Association reports its activities as an enterprise fund, which is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise, where the intent of the Association is that the costs of providing services be financed or recovered primarily through user (member) charges, capital grants and similar funding. Revenues and expenses are recognized on the full accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they are earned and expenses are recognized in the period incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place.

Financial Reporting

The Association’s basic financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States Board (GAAP), as applied to enterprise funds. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Association solely operates as a special-purpose government which means it is only engaged in business-type activities; accordingly, activities are reported in the Association’s proprietary fund.

Operating revenues and expenses result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the Association. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Management administration and depreciation expenses are also considered operating expenses. Other revenues and expenses not included in the above categories are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Association’s cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Prepaid Items

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)
For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Net Position

The financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as follow:

Net Investment in Capital Assets – This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by any debt outstanding against the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets or related debt is included in this component of net position.

Restricted – This component of net position consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets.

Unrestricted – This component of net position is the net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of the net investment in capital assets or restricted component of net position.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from these estimates.

Member Contributions

Contribution revenue consists of payments from members that are planned to match operating expenses. The activities of the Association consist solely of development and protection of the water supply for the Antelope Valley groundwater basin.

Member’s Equity

In the event of a member withdrawal, member termination, or dissolution of the Association, any property interest remaining in the Association, following a discharge of all obligations shall be disposed of pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreements as adopted by the Governing Board.

Note 3 – Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consisted of the following:

	2015	2014
Deposits in financial institution	\$ 126,326	\$ 128,952
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 126,326</u>	<u>\$ 128,952</u>

Investments Authorized by the California Government Code and the Association’s Investment Policy

The Association’s Investment Policy follows the California Government Code for specific types of investments.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)
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Note 3 – Cash and Cash Equivalent (Continued)

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for *deposits* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for *Investments* is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. With respect to investments, custodial credit risk generally applies only to direct investments in marketable securities. Custodial credit risk does not apply to a local government's indirect investment in securities through the use of mutual funds or government investment pools such as the State of California (LAIF).

The California Government Code and the Association's investment policy do not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial risk for deposits or investments, other than the following provision for deposits: the California Government Code requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by state or local governmental units by pledging securities in an undivided collateral pool held by a depository regulated under state law (unless so waived by the governmental unit). The market value of the pledged securities in the collateral pool must equal at least 110% of the total amount deposited by the public agencies. California law also allows financial institutions to secure Association deposits by pledging first trust deed mortgage notes having a value of 150% of the secured public deposits. Of the bank balances, up to \$250,000 is federally insured and the remaining balance is collateralized in accordance with the Code; however, the collateralized securities are not held in the Association's name.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. One of the ways the Association manages its exposure to interest rate risk is by purchasing a combination of shorter term and longer term investments and by timing cash flows from maturities so that a portion of the portfolio matures or comes close to maturity evenly over time as necessary to provide requirements for cash flow and liquidity needed for operations. Information about the sensitivity of the fair values of the Association's investments to market rate fluctuations is provided by the following table that shows the distribution of the Association's investments by maturity date.

The Association did not have any investments at June 30, 2015 and 2014.

Credit Risk

Generally, credit risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization.

The Association did not have any investments at June 30, 2015, and 2014.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)
For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

Note 4 – Risk Management

The Association has purchased commercial general liability insurance coverage to cover claim contingencies against the Association.

Note 5 – Commitments and Contingencies

In the ordinary course of operations, the Association is subject to claims and litigation from outside parties. Nevertheless, after consultation with legal counsel, the Association believes that these actions, when finally, concluded and determined are not likely to have a material adverse effect on the Association's financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

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ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS
Budget vs Actual FY2015-16
For the Eleven Months Ending 5/31/2016

	May Actual	YTD Actual	Budget	Variance
General Revenues:				
Contributions - Member Agency		\$24,000	\$24,000	
Miscellaneous Refund				
Interest Earnings		36	50	(14)
Total General Revenue		\$24,036	\$24,050	\$14
General Expenditures:				
General Government				
Bank Fees			\$150	\$150
Insurance	182	2,001	2,350	349
Memberships		2,385	2,250	(135)
Outreach	500	3,532	3,000	(532)
Purchased Water				
Miscellaneous		75	350	275
Contract Services - Administration	1,168	10,326	12,000	1,674
Contract Services - Other	2,000	2,000	2,000	
Total General Expenditures	\$3,850	\$20,319	\$22,100	\$1,781
Program Revenues:				
Contributions - Member Programs (USGS & CASGEM)		\$90,050	\$90,050	
Contributions - Others (AVRWMP)				
Grant Re-imbursement - IRWMP 2013 Update			46,790	(46,790)
Water Sales - Pilot In-Lieu Banking				
Total Program Revenue		\$90,050	\$136,840	\$46,790
Program Expenditures:				
Contract Services - USGS & CASGEM		\$30,017	\$90,050	\$60,033
Contract Services - AVRWMP			18,865	18,865
Contract Services - IRWMP 2013 Update		105,157	46,790	(58,367)
Total Program Expenditures		\$135,174	\$155,705	\$20,531

ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS

Statement of Net Position For the Eleven Months Ending 5/31/2016

	<u>YTD</u>
ASSETS	
Cash - Unrestricted	\$10,363.22
Restricted - AVRWMG	5,063.22
Restricted - USGS	12,149.43
Accounts Receivable	0.00
Prepaid Insurance (Premium Period 10/1 - 9/30)	<u>727.72</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$28,303.59</u></u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable	<u>\$4,168.36</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>4,168.36</u>
 FUND BALANCE	
Unassigned	<u>24,135.23</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>24,135.23</u>
 Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u><u>\$28,303.59</u></u>

ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS
Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Change in Net Position
For the Eleven Months Ending 5/31/2016

	<u>May</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Revenues:		
Contributions - Member Agency		\$24,000.00
Contributions - Member Programs (USGS & CASGEM)		90,050.00
Contributions - Others (AVRWMG)		
Grant Re-imbursement - IRWMP 2013 Update		
Water Sales - Pilot In-Lieu Banking		
Miscellaneous Refund		
Interest Earnings		35.87
Total Revenue		<u>\$114,085.87</u>
Expenditures:		
General Government		
Bank Fees		
Insurance	181.91	2,001.01
Memberships		2,385.22
Outreach	499.95	3,531.73
Purchased Water		
Miscellaneous		75.00
		<u>7,992.96</u>
Public Resource		
Contract Services - Administration	1,168.46	10,325.84
Contract Services - USGS & CASGEM		30,016.66
Contract Services - AVRWMG		
Contract Services - IRWMP 2013 Update		105,157.11
Contract Services - Other	2,000.00	2,000.00
		<u>147,499.61</u>
Total Expenditures		<u>\$155,492.57</u>
Change in Net Position		<u>(\$41,406.70)</u>
Net Position - Beginning of Year		65,541.93
Net Position - End of Year		<u>\$24,135.23</u>