

Staff Report

for the Board of Directors' Meeting of March 23, 2016

TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Chip Close, Water Operations Manager
DATE: March 14, 2016
SUBJECT: Declaration of Surplus Water

OPERATIONS

RECOMMENDATION:

Declare surplus water available for 2016, as discussed at the Water and Hydroelectric Operations Committee.

BACKGROUND:

District water storage as of March 14, 2016 is 237,241 AF which is 134% of average for this time of year. Forecasted April – July runoff from the Department of Water Resources currently sits at 85% of average and PG&E has made a declaration of the availability of at least 20,000 AF of water for purchase if needed. Based on these factors, per the Drought Contingency Plan, the District is above the threshold for Normal Operations and has water which is surplus to the needs of lands within the District boundaries. Therefore, Staff is recommending the declaration of surplus water availability for the 2016 irrigation season.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

No budgetary impact.

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- Water Storage Graph

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