







DATE: June 23, 2011

MEMO TO: ARROWSMITH WATER SERVICE MANAGEMENT BOARD

FROM: ARROWSMITH WATER SERVICE

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT

OUR FILE NO. 5600-15-AWS

PURPOSE:

To present the Arrowsmith Water Service (AWS) proposed Public Information Report to the AWS Management Board for approval.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As part of the Communications Strategy for the AWS adopted by the Management Committee on April 26, 2011, a Public Information Report is required to help distribute information about AWS and bulk water for the region.

REFERENCE:

- AWS Management Committee Meeting Minutes held on April 26, 2011
- Communication Outline for AWS, dated April 2011
- Attached Proposed Public Information Report

BACKGROUND:

In an effort to further advance the AWS capital plan, Staff have prepared a Public Information Report that provides a summary of all the historical background, governance and technical study information to meet our potable water needs for the next 40 years. Specifically, the Public Information Report provides information on:

- What is being planned;
- AWS governance;
- Background / history;
- The Arrowsmith Dam and Reservoir;
- Water supply sources;
- Benefits of the Arrowsmith Dam;

- The Mission Statement;
- The Water Allocation License;
- Why changes are required;
- Why we need water treatment;
- The outcomes of the current study;
- Aquifer Storage and Recovery;
- Water Treatment options;
- The water intake and treatment site selection;
- Project costs and phasing;
- The anticipated work plan over the next several years.

DISCUSSION:

The Public Information Report will provide the public with a general knowledge and understanding of the purpose of the AWS. Providing the Public Information Report on the AWS Web Page will help establish a central repository of all information regarding the AWS.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Staff from all three AWS members agree unanimously to adopt the Public Information Report and reference it on the AWS Web Page.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There is no additional cost beyond the current AWS budget to prepare and implement this report.

RECOMMENDATIONU:

30''''That the Arrowsmith Water Service Management Board recommend the Joint Venturers approve the Public Information Report dated June 2011,

2. That the Arrowsmith Water Service Management Board direct the Arrowsmith Water Service Management Committee to proceed with placing the Public Information Report on to the Arrowsmith Water Service Web Page.