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MEMORANDUM

TO: Water Resources Commission

FROM: Tracy Loudon, Administrative Services Division Administrator

SUBJECT: Agenda Item N, November 20, 2009
Water Resources Commission Meeting

Corvallis Water Reuse Citizen Survey

I. Issue Statement and Background

The City of Corvallis was awarded a grant from the Water Reuse, Conservation and Storage Grant Program (SB 1069) to conduct a water reuse citizen survey that assesses public knowledge, level of concern, and opinions about water reuse. The City, represented by Public works Director, Tom Penpraze, will give a presentation on the results of that survey.

II. Discussion

The City of Corvallis is in the process of implementing a grant for approximately \$25,000 which includes a survey of its citizens to gauge public acceptance of water reuse. The survey was conducted by Karen M. DuBose as part of a research paper submitted to Oregon State University for her Master of Science degree. The overall purpose of the research is to help Corvallis city managers evaluate options for treating wastewater to comply with Willamette River water quality standards and to meet the City's water supply needs. The study explores questions related to public opinions about water reuse and broader approaches to public involvement in Corvallis.

III. Summary

Mr. Penpraze and Ms. DuBose will give a presentation on a research paper and citizen survey conducted with funding provided by the Water Reuse, Conservation and Storage Grant Program.

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