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## **New Agreement Enables Recycled Water Development**

Last week, the Marina Coast Water District (MCWD) and the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (MRWPCA) signed a joint agreement that sets the stage for the Regional Urban Water Augmentation Project (RUWAP). The first component of the RUWAP will be recycled water to meet non-potable water demand at the former Fort Ord. Desalinated water would be provided in the future to complete the RUWAP.

In addition to the Fort Ord area demands, 300 acre-feet of recycled water would be set aside for the Monterey Peninsula.

Recycled water produced at MRWPCA's treatment plant will be piped down General Jim Moore Boulevard to Del Rey Oaks. This distribution system will be constructed and operated by MCWD. From there, other peninsula communities would be able to tie into the system.

The initial components included in the RUWAP are:

- a connection to MRWPCA's Salinas Valley Reclamation Plant (SVRP) facility, including a pump station and pipelines;
- a new backbone pipeline distribution system extending along General Jim Moore Boulevard with about 133,000 linear feet of 4- to 20-inch diameter main and lateral pipelines;
- a storage tank located in the Ord Community east of General Jim Moore Boulevard near Ardenes Circle (called Blackhorse Reservoir); and
- a pump station located at 3rd Street and 5th Avenue in the City of Marina.

The recycled water distributed by the RUWAP will be used for irrigation and other non-potable applications such as the existing golf courses in Seaside.

Approval of the joint RUWAP agreement was facilitated by the recently formed Ad-Hoc Water Committee which included MRWPCA, MCWD and Monterey County Water Resources Agency.

Efforts are underway to obtain funds for construction of the recycled water system. A combination of stimulus grants, new Federal funding, and loans will be utilized for project financing.

For further information regarding the RUWAP project, contact MCWD General Manager Jim Heitzman at 831 384-6131 or MRWPCA General Manager Keith Israel at 831 372-3367.