

**STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
BOARD MEETING SESSION – DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
NOVEMBER 1, 2011**

ITEM 8

SUBJECT

INFORMATIONAL ITEM: OVERVIEW AND RESULTS OF THE 2009 MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RECYCLING SURVEY AND STAFF RECOMMENDATION ON COLLECTING RECYCLED WATER REUSE DATA IN THE FUTURE.

BACKGROUND

Division of Financial Assistance staff has conducted several surveys to capture recycled water use in California since 1987. The previous surveys were conducted using different approaches, and they have portrayed an increase in the acceptance and use of recycled water in California.

The 2009 survey results have been through an iterative process of quality control by Division staff and Department of Water Resources staff. The final results of this collaborative effort will be presented in this Informational Board Item.

Conducting periodic recycled water surveys is a way to determine the level of progress towards meeting the goals set in the State Water Resources Control Board Strategic Plan Update, adopted on September 2, 2008, and the Recycled Water Policy, adopted on February 3, 2009. The Strategic Plan Update sets a goal of achieving 1,250,000 AF of recycled water use by 2015 and the Recycled Water Policy sets a goal of achieving 1,525,000 AF of recycled water use by 2020.

DISCUSSION

Staff will present the results of the 2009 Municipal Wastewater Recycling Survey including discussions on process and recommendations on collecting recycled water data in the future.

POLICY ISSUE

None. Informational Item Only.

FISCAL IMPACT

None. Informational Item Only.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

None. Informational Item Only.

REGIONAL BOARD IMPACT.

None. Informational Item Only.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

None. Informational Item Only.

This information item assists the Water Boards in reaching Goal 5 of the Strategic Plan Update: 2008-2012 to improve transparency and accountability.