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June 28, 2023

The Honorable City Council  
Office of the City Clerk  
Room 395, City Hall  
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Attention: Councilmember Paul Krekorian  
Councilmember, Curren D. Price, Jr.

Honorable Members:

Subject: Bi-weekly Report - Council File No. 23-0300 – Declaration of Local  
Emergency/Los Angeles Aqueduct

In response to the above-referenced Council Motion, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is taking immediate action to manage water flow into Owens Lake and repair dust-control measures following a local emergency, as declared by Mayor Karen Bass on March 14, 2023.

The Los Angeles City Council (City Council) resolved to temporarily waive competitive bidding restrictions for LADWP until April 21, 2023, so that construction contracts, supplies, and equipment could be procured quickly. Due to the continued state of emergency, the City Council took action in their meetings on Friday, April 21, 2023; Tuesday, May 16, 2023; and Wednesday, June 7, 2023, to extend the state of emergency by an additional 30 days. Snowmelt runoff will continue to increase through the summer as ambient temperatures rise. While LADWP continues to do everything it can to prepare for the excess runoff, the full magnitude of impacts is unknown at this time and will not be known until the summer is over. Therefore, it is necessary to continue the declared state of local emergency for another 30 days, as defined by LAAC, Section 8.21, et seq.

LADWP must report to the City Council every two weeks on why competitive proposals or bidding were impractical. This is LADWP's sixth bi-weekly update.

**Bi-Weekly General Updates – June 14, 2023:**

- Runoff continues to increase through the summer.
- An emergency contract with Rain for Rent allowed the installation of siphons at Tinemaha Dam to protect the dam and spillway. Fourteen siphons were successfully

installed. Each siphon is capable of carrying up to 500 cubic feet per second of water over the dam.

- Conservative estimates show that Owens Lake will receive a minimum of 170,000 acre-feet of runoff through August.
- Under awarded Contract No. 8008 for emergency construction services, Sully Miller Contracting Company (SMC) installed approximately 45,000 linear feet of access road armoring (8.5 miles), which is 60 percent of the required 14 miles. SMC raised the elevation on approximately two miles of access roads and completed the installation of 15,000 sandbags, 100 k-rails, and 35,000 square feet of plastic liner for the protection of critical assets at Owens Lake.

The following is an update on LADWP contracts issued or amended under the suspension of competitive bidding restrictions and required to address the ongoing emergency:

**Bi-Weekly Contract Status and Expense Update – June 14, 2023:**

<b>Contracts</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Estimated Budget</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>	<b>Invoiced to Date</b>
Construction Services Contract	Awarded	\$24M	\$24M plus a 20% contingency	\$8.5M
Rock Material Contract Amendment	Contract Amended	\$5.5M	\$5.5M	\$2.9M
Science and Technology Contract	Contract Amended	\$3.5M	\$3.5M	\$0.2M
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>\$33.0M</b>	<b>\$37.8M</b>	<b>\$11.6M</b>

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me at (213) 367-1338, or you may have a member of your staff contact Mr. Anselmo G. Collins, Senior Assistant General Manager – Water System, at (213) 367-1022.

Sincerely,



Martin L. Adams  
General Manager and Chief Engineer

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