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RESOLUTION NO. 12R-16

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY  
ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT OF THE AGENCY  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2011 – JUNE 30, 2012  
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIII B OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

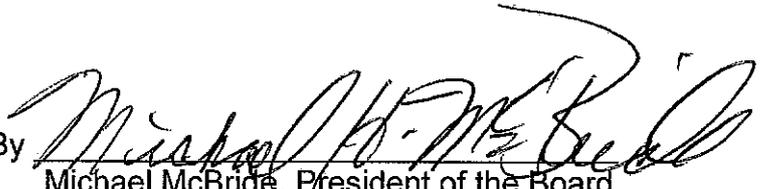
WHEREAS, the California Constitution and Government Code Section 7900 et seq. requires the Board of Directors to annually calculate and establish, by resolution, the Agency's appropriations limit for each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the calculations made to determine the appropriations limit has been made available to the public for at least 15 days prior to the date of this Resolution, in accordance with Government Code 7910.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HEREBY RESOLVES:

1. That the appropriations limit of Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency for fiscal year July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012 is \$131,706.18; and
2. That the fiscal year 2011/12 budgeted revenue from property taxes is \$104,200, which does not exceed the appropriations limit; and
3. To rescind and repeal Resolution 90R-22 as of this date.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors to Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency this 3rd day of April 2012.

By   
Michael McBride, President of the Board

ATTEST:

  
David Larson, Secretary of the Board

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The LAFCO Board will address the Bighorn application for extending their sphere to the W1 area. I write about local politics, not proposing that the LAFCO board would become involved in them, but to be more certain that local politics do not contaminate the LAFCO processing of Bighorn matters.

Within a short time after I met Mr. Jim Harvey in 2008 he was talking negatively about the Bighorn water district. As time passed he repeatedly asserted that General Manager Marina West "is a crook". Curiously, neither he nor his group has ever produced a shred of evidence supporting that allegation. His attacks on West and the Bighorn water district, the staff and Board confuse those local residents concerned about the agency and their community. What motivates Jim Harvey? Perhaps the best explanation(s) is that he wants control of the agency and has stated publicly that he wants a CSD or overlay or similar arrangement for his area of Johnson Valley. In that distorted sense he sees himself as in competition with Bighorn.

Evidence of this is that in successive elections he runs candidates for the Bighorn Board. After some have won and took office they quickly discovered that Harvey's version of Ms. West and the Bighorn agency, staff and Board, is purely fictional. In fact Ms. West et al are simply trying to do their jobs. Others supported by Harvey have created chaos and then quit the Bighorn Board.

The unfortunate outcomes of Harvey and his group harassing the Board, and creating fictitious Brown Act violation allegations is that it is difficult to recruit and retain Board members, who find the "harassment as sport" attitude of the critics distasteful at best. The public at large is discouraged from attending by the tone of meetings. A perfect example is that at the recent Landers meeting negative attitudes towards the Bighorn sphere were amply represented. The majority, who wanted Bighorn, stayed home.

What helps sustain the duration and erosive effect of these attacks is the slow growth of the area does not require relatively rapid decision-making on how to proceed with infrastructure including water. Few are motivated to live in Johnson Valley, especially since pressurized water is not currently available to all landowners.

My concern as a local resident is that members of the LAFCO board may have been approached and developed dual relationships with Jim Harvey and should recuse themselves from deliberating on Bighorn's immediate W1 application and later, any Harvey-sponsored CSD application, if that ever materializes.

I find no wrongdoing on the part of Ms. West nor Bighorn and I find Ms. West's background as a degreed geologist with a MPA in stark contrast to Mr. Harvey's credentials as a high school graduate web designer and Harley-Davidson mechanic. I encourage the LAFCO Board to look at the facts and to ignore the critics unless they have solid evidence for their allegations.

**Thank you for considering my input.**

**Robert N. Karman  
Yucca Mesa**

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**John & Mary Blucker**

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Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency  
622 S. Jemez Trail  
Yucca Valley, CA 92284

February 13, 2012

RE: Assessor Parcel Number's  
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631-051-23

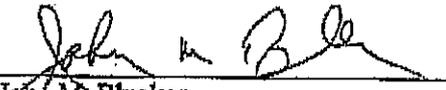
Attention: Marina West

Dear Ms. West,

This letter is being written to you to show our support for our parcels to be included in the sphere of influence of Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency.

We look forward to your agency providing water to our parcels.

Sincerely,

  
John M. Blucker

  
Mary L. Blucker