

MANAGEMENT BOARD

Information Summary

October 8, 2008

Subject

Sustainability Policies Stakeholders' Process Progress Report

Policy Question

The Board will be asked to provide guidance regarding the attached Draft Sustainability Legislation. (See Attachment A.)

Summary

The AMWUA Sustainability Policies Stakeholders' Group is finalizing its discussions regarding the Draft Legislation to implement the Stakeholders' recommendations for statutory changes.

The Central Arizona Water Conservation District (CAWCD) Board discussed the Draft Legislation at its October 2, 2008 Board meeting.

A number of considerations must be addressed prior to introducing legislation during the next legislative session.

Prior Committee Action

The AMWUA Board of Directors and Management Board have received regular updates on the status of the Sustainability Policies Stakeholders' Process since January 2008. The Stakeholders' Group reviewed and discussed the Draft Legislation at the September 5, September 19, and October 3, 2008 meetings and appears to be in agreement on this Draft Legislation. The Draft Legislation was discussed at the September 10, 2008 AMWUA Management Board meeting and the September 18, 2008 AMWUA Board of Directors' meeting.

The Draft Legislation would implement the Stakeholders' recommendations for statutory changes concerning CAGR enrollment and oversight by ADWR of the CAGR Plan of Operation. These statutory changes are summarized on pages 1 and 2 of the attached "Summary of Stakeholders' Recommendations." (See Attachment B.)

Recommendation

AMWUA staff recommends that the AMWUA Management Board recommend that AMWUA continue to work with Stakeholders and legislators to introduce the Draft Legislation. Depending on the status of the Stakeholders' discussion of the Draft Legislation at the October 3,

2008 Stakeholders' meeting, AMWUA staff may also recommend that the AMWUA Management Board take action on the Draft Legislation.

Attachments

- **Attachment A** - Draft Sustainability Legislation, September 1, 2008
- **Attachment B** - Summary of Stakeholders' Recommendations, August 26, 2008