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Napa Sanitation District **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Honorable Board of Directors

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NS-Administration

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SUBJECT: Consideration of Proposed FY 2021/22 Capital Project Appropriation Request and Update of FY

2021/22 to FY 2030/31 Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan

RECOMMENDATION

Consideration of proposed FY 2021/22 Capital Project Appropriation request and update of FY 2021/22 - FY 2030/31 Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed FY 2021/22 Capital Project Appropriation and the Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan constitute the proposed Capital Improvement Program for NapaSan. Details of the Capital Improvement Plan and Ten-Year Financial Forecast are attached.

Consistent with Policy and Adopted Master Plans

The proposed Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan includes recommendations from the Treatment Plant Master Plan (2011) and the Collection System Master Plan (2021). Preliminary recommendations are also included from the Treatment Plant Master Plan that is currently in progress.

Collection System Replacement

The Ten-Year plan continues the investment in the collection system to replace or rehabilitate on average 2% of sewers through Infiltration and Inflow (I&I) reduction projects and Rehabilitation and Replacement (R&R) projects annually, as established by the current rate structure and the Board's Strategic Plan.

Reserves

The adopted financial policies that were last updated in May 2018, establish minimum thresholds for an operating reserve for emergencies, debt service reserves, and a cash flow reserve. The Sewer Service Charge Fee Study that was accepted by the Board in November 2020 conducted reserve funding tests for the next five years to ensure that

projected revenues and expenses meet the levels as set by the financial policies. The Recycled Water Rate Study (2012) recommended including an additional element in the recycled water fee to create a Recycled Water Capital Reserve, which started in calendar year 2019. The establishment and full funding of these reserves helps to ensure NapaSan's long-term financial strength and provide resources in the event of operating or financial emergencies.

Anticipated Debt Issuance

The 10-Year Financial and Cash Flow Plan anticipates several projects will be funded through the use of debt. The Browns Valley Trunk Project and the West Napa Pump Station Replacement Project have been combined into one financing: a State Revolving Fund Loan through the State Water Resources Control Board under a special EPA program that provides some loan forgiveness for projects that result in increased energy efficiency. The financial forecast has included the associated debt service in the 10-year forecast starting in FY 22/23, as debt service payments are anticipated to begin after construction is complete.

The Ten-Year Financial Plan includes the issuance of debt in FY 28/29 for the rehabilitation of the 66" trunk main from Imola to Kaiser Road. The construction of the second digester, new aeration basin and clarifier, and associated improvements, is anticipated to begin in FY 28/29 with debt service beginning in FY 30/31.

Committee Discussions and Revised Recommendations

As was discussed with the Long Term Planning Committee on April 22, 2021, the Ten-Year Plan is an evolving vision of NapaSan's capital needs and continues to be updated as condition assessment data is gathered through NapaSan's asset management program.

The 10-Year Financial Forecast Is Balanced

The Board has taken considerable steps, both in terms of providing revenue through changes to the Sewer Service Charges, and through policy direction related to the capital plan and financing plan to ensure that there are sufficient resources to match anticipated expenditures.

Supporting Documents

The following material has been provided to explain and detail the proposed Capital Improvement Plan and the 10-Year Financial Forecast for the District:

- Project Descriptions for each project for FY 2021/22
- Allocation of Capacity Charges for FY 2021/22
- Spreadsheets detailing the 10-Year Capital Improvement Plan
- 10-Year Financial Forecast

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? No

What is the revenue source? Sewer service charges, capacity charges, recycled water sales,

interest earnings, loan proceeds, and other miscellaneous revenues.

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?

Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: The Capital Improvement Plan is necessary to replace infrastructure

that has reached the end of its useful life, does not meet regulatory

requirements, or poses a hazard to the health and safety to

NapaSan's customers or employees. Projects are also necessary to

meet anticipated capacity needs.

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: Appropriations for FY 2021/22 capital projects are proposed to be

\$20,128,300. Also, funding for projects approved for expenditure in FY 2020/21 but incomplete as of June 30, 2021 are anticipated to be

carried forward into FY 2021/22.

The total Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan projection, not including

funds appropriated in FY 20/21 that may be carried forward, is

\$231,610,050.

See attachments for further details.

Consequences if not approved: NapaSan will not have funded its capital program and its infrastructure

may no longer reliably meet the service levels required.

Additional Information: None.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

None.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- A. Presentation Slides
- B . FY 21/22 Capital Project Descriptions
- C . Allocation of Capacity Charges
- D . 10-Year CIP Spreadsheets
- E . 10-Year Financial Forecast

Napa Sanitation District: Approve

Reviewed By: Timothy Healy