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RE: Water District Paperwork

Dear Kevin;

I have received your 2007 and 2008 watermaster's reports, the adopted-budget resolutions from this year's water meeting, notarized oaths of office for your and Cyndi, and your 2009 proposed budgets. The reports have been reviewed and approved. Signed copies of the approval pages of the reports are enclosed for your records.

Now that I better understand your reporting method, I have some suggestions that would make the report easier to understand (at least for me). The first-unit cost does not appear to mean anything, as it includes both the pro-rated users and minimum (\$40) users; you might consider removing it from the annual report to avoid confusion. The Estimated Share column on the report appears to be the same as the adopted budget, so you might consider relabeling it to that. It would be useful to clearly label the pro-rated 5-year average usage somewhere near the bottom of the report, and also the pro-rated cost; I could not get these amounts to print out on the 37-M report, even though they showed at the very bottom of the spreadsheet (I think you may not have included them in the area to be printed). If you decide to get rid of the first-unit-cost figure, you might want to re-label the other figure as "pro-rated cost factor" or somesuch. As I said, these are just suggestions; I will work with whatever documents you submit.

Regards,

James E. Stanton
Sr. Water Resource Agent