DELTA CONVEYANCE FACILITY AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE NEGOTIATIONS

Water Resources and Watershed Committee

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Item 5.3

DELTA CONVEYANCE FACILITY CONTRACT BACKGROUND/OVERVIEW

- Board Approved 2018 WaterFix/Water Management Agreement in Principal (AIP)
 - ► All contractors participated with side deals for non-participants
 - Provided water management tool to facilitate side deals
 - Provided for collection of all WaterFix costs through Statement of Charges
- November 2019 Delta Conveyance AIP
 - Created a new class of SWP water supply attributed to the DCF with complex water accounting rules
 - Participants Opt-in to benefits and costs
 - Carryover and Article 21 issues were contentious among contractors
- May 2020 Delta Conveyance AIP
 - Opt-out of benefits and costs
 - Water attributed to DCF is fully integrated into the SWP
 - ► Carryover and Article 21 issues still contentious among contractors

DELTA CONVEYANCE FACILITY AIP

- ► Benefits of a Delta Conveyance Facility
 - Table A water (attributed to DFC)
 - Article 21 water (attributed to DFC)
 - Carriage water savings
 - Protection from short and long-term delta supply disruptions
 - Physical (levee failure)
 - Regulatory (salinity, climate-change)
 - Capacity to convey non-Project water across the Delta
- ► Limited access to non-participants of benefits on second priority basis
 - ► Article 21 water
- ► Full cost recovery through SWP Statement of Charges

CONCLUSIONS

- ► Participation Options
 - ▶ Opt-out
 - ► Do nothing (participation level set at proportionate Table A amount)
 - ► Increase proportionate share of DCF and associated benefits
- ► Same level of support of among contractors as November
- Next steps regarding adoption of AIP and funding of DCF activities to be determined