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Consider receiving a report on the Water Resources Agency options, post Groundwater Sustainability Agency formation

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Directors:

Receive a report on the Water Resources Agency options, post Groundwater Sustainability Agency formation

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Water Resources Agency (Agency) mission statement is as follows: *"The Water Resources Agency manages, protects, stores and conserves water resources in Monterey County for beneficial and environmental use, while minimizing damage from flooding to create a safe and sustainable water supply for present and future generations."* The Agency's mission, as well as a large percentage of what its daily functions include, are very similar, if not identical to what a Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) mandated Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) will do when implemented after June 30, 2017.

A subject for the upcoming Strategic Planning workshop will be a discussion with Agency staff, Agency Board of Directors, Agency Board of Supervisors, County Administrative staff, and the public regarding options for the Agency, once a GSA is formed. A primer on possible options will be presented to the Committee at this meeting.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

On October 5, 2016, the Planning Committee approved this item for consideration by the full Board of Directors.

FINANCING:

To be determined based upon the outcome of the GSA formation process.

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