

Dec. 11, 2008
TOUR. RESOLUTION #RES. 2008.06

AGREEMENT
(Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement)

THIS COOPERATION AGREEMENT made and entered into this 11th day of December, 2008, by and between the WASHINGTON COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT (the "District"), and ST. GEORGE CITY, WASHINGTON CITY, IVINS CITY, HURRICANE CITY, LAVERKIN CITY, and TOQUERVILLE CITY collectively (the "Cities") who, having entered into the Regional Water Supply Agreement (RWSA), have manifested their intent to participate in mutual aid and assistance.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein, the parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE I
Purpose

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide mutual assistance in times of emergency by providing a method whereby District and Cities, which sustain damage from natural or manmade disasters, can obtain emergency assistance in the form of personnel, equipment, materials, supplies and other associated services from outside the area of impact, by coordinating response activities and sharing resources during emergencies. District and Cities intend by this Agreement to commit to assist each other whenever possible, while allowing the District and each City the sole discretion to determine when its personnel, equipment, materials and supplies cannot be spared for assisting District and other Cities in such an emergency.

This Agreement also provides a method whereby responding District and Cities may be provided with reimbursement for personnel, equipment, materials and other associated services that are made available on an emergency basis. Nothing herein is intended to replace or terminate any pre-existing agreement between the District and Cities.

IN CONSIDERATION of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the parties agree to provide mutual assistance to one another in times of emergency in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein as follows:

ARTICLE II
Definitions

A. Emergency—A natural or manmade event that is, or is likely to be, beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the District and/or Cities.

B. Member—the District and Cities who have entered into the Regional Water Service Agreement.

C. Authorized Official—An employee of District and/or Cities that is authorized by the District and Cities' governing board or management to request assistance or offer assistance under this Agreement.

D. Requesting Member—A Member who requests assistance under the Mutual Aid and Assistance Program.

E. Responding Member—A Member that responds to a request for assistance under the Mutual Aid and Assistance Program.

F. Period of Assistance—A specified period of time when a Responding Member assists a Requesting Member. The period commences when personnel, equipment, or supplies depart from a Responding Member's facility and ends when the resources return to their facility. All protections identified in the agreement apply during this period. The specified Period of Assistance may occur during response to or recovery from an emergency, as previously defined.

ARTICLE III. **ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES**

The Mutual Aid and Assistance Program shall be administered through the Regional Water Supply Agreement Technical Committee, as needed, to provide local coordination of the Mutual Aid and Assistance Program before, during, and after an emergency.

ARTICLE IV. **PROCEDURES**

The Regional Water Supply Agreement Technical Committee shall meet annually to address Mutual Aid and Assistance Program issues, develop operational and planning procedures and review emergency preparedness and response procedures.

ARTICLE V. **REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE**

Member Responsibility: Members shall identify an Authorized Official and alternates, provide contact information including 24-hour access, and maintain resource information made available for mutual aid and assistance response.

In the event of an Emergency, an Authorized Official may request mutual aid and assistance from a participating Member. Requests for assistance can be made orally or in writing. When made orally, the request for personnel, equipment, and supplies shall be prepared in writing as soon as practicable. Requests for assistance shall be directed to the Authorized Official of the participating Member. Specific protocols for requesting aid shall be provided in the required procedures (Article IV).