



Baldy Mesa Water District

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Jack Safely
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
PO Box 54153
Los Angeles, CA 90054

Re: Cadiz Groundwater Storage & Dry-Year Supply Program

Dear Mr. Safely:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to offer Baldy Mesa Water District's support of the Cadiz Groundwater Storage & Dry-Year Supply Program. This innovative program will help ease Southern California's reliance on Northern California water and make better use of existing Colorado River supplies. That, in turn, will provide added water security for all of San Bernardino County. This unprecedented public-private partnership is a dramatic step forward in developing regional solutions for Southern California's future water needs.

Baldy Mesa Water District, in coordination with other purveyors in the area, believes that the implementation of local partnerships is the most effective way to meet the state's future water supply needs. To that end, we are in the process of undertaking a pilot recharge study to determine the feasibility of this type of project in our area. We will continue to look, with interest, at the implementation of the Cadiz Groundwater Storage & Dry-Year Supply Program in the hopes that it will assist us with ours.

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Sincerely,

DON BARTZ
General Manager

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