

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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December 16, 1952

Board of Directors
The Metropolitan Water District
of Southern California
Los Angeles, California

APPROVED
by the Board of Directors of
The Metropolitan Water District
of Southern California
its meeting held Dec. 16, 1952


Executive Secretary

Gentlemen:

The Water Problems and Public Relations Committee has had under consideration a statement, prepared by Mr. Kinsey and submitted to the Committee by General Manager and Chief Engineer Diemer, relative to an educational program having to do with plans being proposed for the importation or local development of large additional water supplies for the area coming within the scope of this District.

At the request of the Committee, a statement indicating the attitude of the District with regard to such proposals has been prepared by Mr. Kinsey and reviewed by General Manager and Chief Engineer Diemer and General Counsel Howard. It has also been reviewed by the Committee and is hereby submitted with the recommendation that it be formally adopted.

Yours truly,

WATER PROBLEMS AND
PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE


Warren W. Butler, Chairman

See Dec. 16, 1952 Minutes

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A. L. Gram
President

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Taxpayers and water users residing within The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California already have obligated themselves for the construction of an aqueduct supply and distribution system involving a cost in excess of \$350,000,000. This system has been designed and constructed in a manner that permits orderly and economic extensions and enlargements to deliver the District's full share of Colorado River water as well as water from other sources as required in the years ahead. Establishment of overlapping and paralleling governmental authorities and water distribution facilities to service Southern California areas would place a wasteful and unnecessary financial burden upon all of the people of California, and particularly the residents of Southern California.

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Mr. A.D. Edmonston
State Engineer
Sacramento, California

Dear Mr. Edmonston:

In accordance with our conversation today I am enclosing herewith the Statement of Policy of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California adopted by its Board of Directors at its meeting on December 16, 1952. Water is something that Southern California must have if it is to continue to grow after the supply from the Colorado River is in full use. Your plan to develop the Feather River project is one that should be considered by both Northern and Southern California. The distribution of water in Southern California should be the function of the Metropolitan Water District for it would be an unfair burden on the taxpayers if other agencies duplicated the works of the Metropolitan Water District to serve the Southern California area.

I have been instructed by our Board to extend to you an invitation to meet with the Board and the staff to discuss this very important question at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Robert B. Diemer
General Manager and Chief Engineer

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cc-Mr. Joseph Jensen
J.H. Howard
D.J. Kinsey
A.L. Gram
R.A. Skinner

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