

DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: December 17, 2014

Board Item: II-A-2

**Cooperative Stream Gauging Program with the U. S. Geological Survey
Contract #15823A**

Action by Consent

Action

Information

In order to help protect, develop and operate Denver Water's raw water system, the Board historically has obtained the assistance of the U. S. Geological Survey (USGS) for installation, operation and maintenance of certain stream gauging stations. This assistance has been made possible through annual cooperative agreements, the most recent of which expires on December 31, 2014.

Staff has sought ways to keep our expenditures in check. For example, seven different organizations will reimburse Denver Water a total of \$40,781 for 2015 stream gauging expenditures.

Under this contract, USGS will operate and maintain 27 gauging stations for a 12 month period at a total cost of \$408,900. The breakdown of these costs is as follows:

USGS Funds:	\$123,960
Denver Water:	\$284,940

Total:	\$408,900
Expected reimbursements to Denver Water:	\$ 40,781
Net cost to Denver Water:	\$244,159

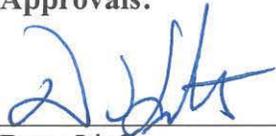
\$283,700 has been included in the 2015 budget for this agreement. The USGS will invoice Denver Water quarterly, and the final invoice under this agreement will be paid in 2016. The 2015 invoices will be approximately \$281,600. The master plan code for this agreement is 1AI0011.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board enter into the attached intergovernmental agreement with USGS for the operation of 27 gauging stations during the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. A list of the gauging stations is attached.

Approvals:

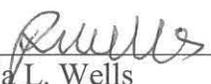
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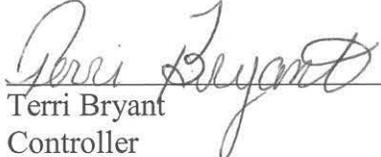
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