

EMERGENCY FIREFIGHTING WATER SYSTEM

Budget and Legislative Analyst's Report

GAO Committee – January 21, 2021

WESTSIDE PHASE I PROJECT

- Funding is in place for Westside Phase I: approximately \$198 million
 - \$ 143 million from 2020 ESER Bonds
 - \$55 million from Water Enterprise revenue bonds
- 2020 ESER Bond: \$628.5 million
 - Issuance, sale, and appropriation of \$85 million before Board of Supervisors
 - Initial \$20 million for planning, design, and CEQA review of EFWS projects
- Potable water system allows for Water Enterprise revenues

HOSE TENDERS

- Each truck consists of 1 mile of hose, a portable pump, portable hydrants, and other firefighting equipment. The cost is approximately \$1 million
- OCA is currently in the process of purchasing 3 hose tenders
 - FY 2019-20 budget included \$4 million to purchase 4 new hose tenders
 - California OES provided \$1 million for additional hose tender
 - Mayor's Budget Office cut \$2 million as part of mid-year rebalancing plan, leaving \$3 million in budget for 3 hose tenders
- Potential for lease revenue financing for hose tender purchases
 - OPF can authorize \$85 million under SF Finance Corporation
 - Has been used for fire equipment in the past

FUTURE ESER BONDS

- \$217 million ESER Bond is planned for the 2027 ballot
 - Amount dedicated to EFWS is not currently known
 - ESER Bond would also be used to fund other projects
- 2027 ESER Bond may impact feasibility of stand-alone ESER bond for EFWS

QUESTIONS?

- We are available for questions
- Thank you for your time