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SUBJECT: Information Item: Hernando Durán Cabrera, Director of the Comisión Estatal de Servicios Públicos de Tijuana (CESPT) will provide an update on sewage treatment operations south of the international border. Located in Baja California, CESPT is Northern Mexico’s public services utility for Tijuana and is responsible for sewage collection and treatment along the Tijuana River Valley. (Brian Kelley and Bart Christensen)

PURPOSE: To provide information to the San Diego Water Board and interested persons regarding the status of sewage treatment collection and treatment operations south of the international border with Mexico in the San Diego Region.

PUBLIC NOTICE: Notification of this informational item was included in the agenda notice for the March 10, 2010 San Diego Water Board, which was electronically mailed to the agenda notice mailing list and posted on the San Diego Water Board’s website.

DISCUSSION: This item provides an opportunity for representatives of the Comisión Estatal de Servicios Públicos de Tijuana (CESPT) to give a presentation on the status of current and anticipated improvement projects and other issues related to sewage collection and treatment south of the international border in the Tijuana area. Hernando Durán Cabrera, Director of CESPT, has offered to brief the San Diego Water Board on these matters. A similar briefing was recently provided to the City of San Diego.

State Water Board staff recently toured the wastewater treatment and pumping improvements in the Tijuana River Valley with CESPT representatives. Some of the Tijuana facilities toured included the Monte Los Olivos wastewater treatment plant (WWTP), the La Morita WWTP, and Pump Station No. 1. The status of these and other facilities will be discussed during the presentation.
LEGAL ISSUES: None

SUPPORTING DOCS: None

RECOMMENDATION: This item is an informational item only. No action will be taken by the San Diego Water Board.