

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Tavaglione

SUBMITTAL DATE: October 2, 2007

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS ACTION

**Committee, Commission,
or Board:**

Assessment Appeals Board 1

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☐ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
☒ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors removes member from office, declares
vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per
Maddy Act, for:

Type of Nomination:

- ☒ The Board of Supervisors
☐ District No. 2 ☐ At Large

Member:

Name: Herbert Schenden
Address: 40814 Caballero Drive
Cherry Valley, CA 92223
Telephone: 951-845-5520

Replaces:

Date Posted or Expired: 5/31/07

**Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)**

- ☒ Full Term ending 5/31/2010
☐ Unexpired Term ending

Full underlying term is 3 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:


Supervisor Tavaglione

Submitted by: [Signature] 10/2/07

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AGENDA NO.

2.1

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Wilson

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 25, 2007

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS ACTION

Committee, Commission or Board: ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD #2

RECOMMENDED MOTION: ☒ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors removes member from office, declares vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per Maddy Act, for:

Type of Nomination:

☐ The Board of Supervisors
☐ District No. 4
Name: Martin Lax
Address: 45-625 Via Corona
Indian Wells, CA 92210
Telephone: (760) 346-8583

Replaces: Brad Alewine

Date Posted or Expired: 9/4/07

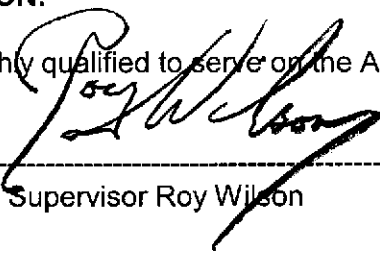
Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)

☐ Full Term ending
☐ Unexpired Term ending 5/31/09

Full underlying term is 3 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Mr. Lax is a well respected attorney and highly qualified to serve on the Assessment Appeals Board. I recommend his appointment.



Supervisor Roy Wilson

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Dist. 4th.

AGENDA NO.

2.2

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Wilson

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 25, 2007

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS ACTION

Committee, Commission or Board: In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Council

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☐ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
 - ☒ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
 - ☐ The Board of Supervisors removes member from office, declares vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per Maddy Act, for:
 - ☐ The Board of Supervisors
 - ☒ District No. 4 ☐ At Large
- Type of Nomination:** Name: Kristine Loomis
Member: Address: 21-200 Toltec Way
Sky Valley, CA 92241
Telephone: (760) 329-7031

Replaces:

Date Posted or Expired: October 3, 2007

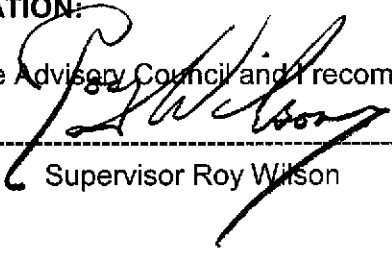
Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)

- ☒ Full Term ending 10/3/2009
- ☐ Unexpired Term ending

Full underlying term is 2 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Ms. Loomis is a dedicated member of the Advisory Council and I recommend reappointment.



Supervisor Roy Wilson

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AGENDA NO.

2.3

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Stone

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 25, 2007

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS ACTION

Committee, Commission or Board: Children & Families Advisory Council

RECOMMENDED MOTION: ☒ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors removes member from office, declares
vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per
Maddy Act, for:
☐ The Board of Supervisors

Type of Nomination:

☒ District No. 3 ☐ At Large

Member:

Name: Georgann Koenig
Address: 27636 Ynez Road #269
Temecula, CA 92591
Telephone:

Replaces: Randon Lane

Date Posted or Expired: 5/31/07

Term of Appointment: ☒ Full Term ending 5/31/09
(or previous appointment)

☐ Unexpired Term ending

Full underlying term is 2 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Ms. Koenig has been a member on this Advisory Council, but moved from the Fifth District to the Third District. Mr. Lane's resignation from the Council created a Third District vacancy and I recommend appointing Ms. Koenig to fill that vacancy.



Supervisor Jeff Stone

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Dist. 3rd

AGENDA NO.

2.4

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Stone

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 25, 2007

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS ACTION

Committee, Commission or Board: Community Facilities District Special Tax Review Board

RECOMMENDED MOTION: ☐ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
☒ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors removes member from office, declares vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per Maddy Act, for:
☐ The Board of Supervisors
Type of Nomination: ☒ District No. 3 ☐ At Large
Member: Name: Evelyn Burke
Address: Box 787
San Jacinto, CA 92583
Telephone: (951) 925-8305

Replaces:

Date Posted or Expired: 6/1/2007

Term of Appointment: ☒ Full Term ending 6/1/2010
(or previous appointment) ☐ Unexpired Term ending

Full underlying term is 3 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Ms. Burke has been a long time member of this Board and has continued to provide outstanding representation. I recommend reappointment.



Supervisor Jeff Stone

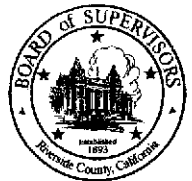
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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE: February 2, 2006

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO GOOD HOPE MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Committee, Commission,
or Board:**

GOOD HOPE MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (MAC)

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☐ The Board of Supervisors appoint alternate/member to:
- ☒ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
- ☐ The Board of Supervisors removes member from office, declares vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per Maddy Act, for:
- ☐ The Board of Supervisors

**Type of Nomination:
Member:**

☒ District No. 5 ☐ At Large
Name: Edith Buzek
Address: 23660 Clayton
Perris, California 92570
Telephone: 951-943-5403

**Replaces:
Posted or Expired:**

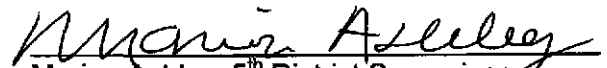
Edith Buzek
4/30/07

**Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)**

- ☒ Full Term ending 4/30/11
- ☐ Unexpired Term ending

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Ms. Buzek has served faithfully as a member of the Good Hope Municipal Advisory Council. I recommend her reappointment.


Marion Ashley, 5th District Supervisor

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AGENDA NO.

2.6

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 13, 2007

SUBJECT: REAPPOINTMENT TO GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN TASK FORCE

**Committee, Commission,
or Board:**

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☐ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
☒ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors remove member from office, declares
vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per
Maddy Act, for:
☐ The Board of Supervisors
☒ District No. 5 ☐ At Large

Type of Nomination:

Member:

Name: Carolyn Bradford

Address: 20883 Lee Drive
Perris, California 92570
Telephone: 951-657-2335

Replaces:

Carolyn Bradford

Expires:

7/31/07

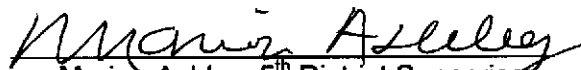
**Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)**

- ☒ Full Term ending 7/31/09
☐ Unexpired Term

Full underlying term is 2 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Ms. Bradford has served faithfully as a Task Force member. I support her reappointment.


Marion Ashley, 5th District Supervisor

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5th District

AGENDA NO.

2.7

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 13, 2007

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Committee, Commission,
or Board:**

LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☒ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
- ☐ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
- ☐ The Board of Supervisors remove member from office, declares vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per Maddy Act, for:
 - ☐ The Board of Supervisors
- ☒ District No. 5 ☐ At Large

Type of Nomination:

Member:

Name: Thomas Upton

Address: 29850 Lakeview Avenue
Nuevo, California 92567

Telephone: 951-928-0424

Replaces:

Doug Williams

Expires:

6/30/07

**Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)**

- ☒ Full Term ending 6/30/11
- ☐ Unexpired Term

Full underlying term is 4 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Mr. Upton has been a dedicated and active alternate to the Lakeview/Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council. I recommend his appointment as a member of the Lakeview/Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council.


Marion Ashley, 5th District Supervisor

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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 13, 2007

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Committee, Commission,
or Board:**

LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☒ The Board of Supervisors appoint alternate member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors remove member from office, declares
vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per
Maddy Act, for:
☐ The Board of Supervisors
☒ District No. 5 ☐ At Large

Type of Nomination:

Member:

Name: Charlene Busch

Address: P.O. Box 705
Nuevo, California 92567

Telephone: 951-616-0197

Replaces:

Sharlene Mauritz (alternate)

Expires:

6/30/07

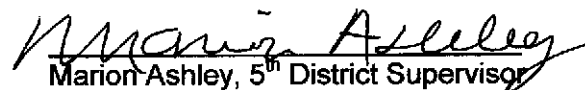
**Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)**

- ☒ Full Term ending 6/30/11
☐ Unexpired Term

Full underlying term is 4 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Ms. Busch has been a dedicated and active member of the Lakeview/Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council. Due to other obligations, she has requested serving as an alternate. I recommend her appointment as an alternate member of the Lakeview/Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council.


Marion Ashley, 5th District Supervisor

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AGENDA NO.

2.9

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 13, 2007

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Committee, Commission,
or Board:**

LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☒ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
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vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per
Maddy Act, for:
☐ The Board of Supervisors
☒ District No. 5 ☐ At Large

Type of Nomination:

Member:

Name: Sharlene Mauritz

Address: 22711 Pebblestone Drive
Nuevo, California 92567

Telephone: 951-926-5108

Replaces:

Charlene Busch

Expires:

6/30/07

**Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)**

- ☒ Full Term ending 6/30/11
☐ Unexpired Term

Full underlying term is 4 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Ms. Mauritz has been a dedicated and active alternate to the Lakeview/Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council. I recommend her appointment as a member of the Lakeview/Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council.


Marion Ashley, 5th District Supervisor

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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 13, 2007

SUBJECT: REAPPOINTMENT TO LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Committee, Commission,
or Board:**

LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☐ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
☒ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors remove member from office, declares
vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per
Maddy Act, for:
☐ The Board of Supervisors
☒ District No. 5 ☐ At Large

Type of Nomination:

Member:

Name: John Lauda

Address: 31382 Electric Avenue
Nuevo, California 92567

Telephone: 951-928-2505

Replaces:

John Lauda

Expires:

6/30/07

**Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)**

- ☒ Full Term ending 6/30/11
☐ Unexpired Term

Full underlying term is 4 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Mr. Lauda has been a dedicated and active member of the Lakeview/Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council. and I recommend his reappointment.


Marion Ashley, 5th District Supervisor

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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Ashley

SUBMITTAL DATE: September 13, 2007

SUBJECT: REAPPOINTMENT TO LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Committee, Commission,
or Board:**

LAKEVIEW/NUEVO MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

- ☐ The Board of Supervisors appoint member to:
☒ The Board of Supervisors reappoint member to:
☐ The Board of Supervisors remove member from office, declares
vacancy and directs the Clerk of the Board to post vacancy per
Maddy Act, for:
☐ The Board of Supervisors
☒ District No. 5 ☐ At Large

Type of Nomination:

Member:

Name: Michael Foley

Address: 31431 Contour Avenue
Nuevo, California 92567

Telephone: 951-928-2505

Replaces:

Michael Foley

Expires:

6/30/07

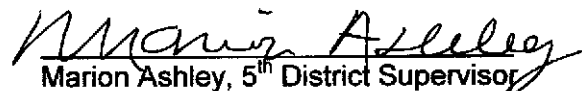
**Term of Appointment:
(or previous appointment)**

- ☒ Full Term ending 6/30/11
☐ Unexpired Term

Full underlying term is 4 years.

BACKGROUND/APPOINTEE INFORMATION:

Mr. Foley Moses has been a dedicated and active appointee to the Lakeview/Nuevo Municipal Advisory Council. I recommend his reappointment.


Marion Ashley, 5th District Supervisor

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AGENDA NO.

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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Jeff Stone

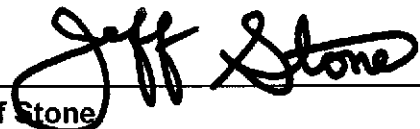
SUBMITTAL DATE: September 26, 2007

SUBJECT: Renewal of the Revised Local Emergency Declaration for Riverside County due to the epidemic Infestation of bark beetles in the Mountain Communities of Idyllwild and Pine Cove.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the declaration relating to the emergency due to the epidemic infestation of bark beetles in the Mountain Communities of Idyllwild and Pine Cove adopted as Agenda Item 3.42 on March 5, 2002, Resolution Number 2002-97, and revised on September 10, 2002 to include "severe drought and fire hazard" be renewed.

BACKGROUND: The Riverside County Fire Department has reviewed the emergency conditions necessitating the declaration of March 5, 2002, and as revised on September 10, 2002, and finds that these conditions still exist. Government Code Section 8630 requires the Board to review the need for continuation of the local emergency every 14 days.

CLERK OF THE BOARD: Due to the unique circumstances and unknown duration of this situation, request that renewal of this declaration be automatically submitted as an agenda item every 14 days until request to terminate is submitted by the Riverside County Board of Supervisors.



Jeff Stone
Supervisor Third District

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Executive Office

SUBMITTAL DATE:
October 2, 2007

SUBJECT: Lake Elsinore Advanced Pumped Storage (LEAPS) Project

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors receive and file the update on the Lake Elsinore Advanced Pumped Storage (LEAPS) Project.

BACKGROUND: The Executive Office is responsible for providing updates to the Board of Supervisors on a quarterly basis concerning the LEAPS Project.

(Continued)

Michael R. Shetler

Michael R. Shetler, Senior Management Analyst

**FINANCIAL
DATA**

Current F.Y. Total Cost: \$ 0
Current F.Y. Net County Cost: \$ 0
Annual Net County Cost: \$ 0

In Current Year Budget: N/A
Budget Adjustment: N/A
For Fiscal Year: 2007/2008

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 ☐

Requires 4/5 Vote ☐

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

Gary M. Christmas
Gary M. Christmas

Dept't Recomm.: ☒ Consent ☐ Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: ☒ Consent ☐ Policy

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2.1 on 6/12/07

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**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
RE: LAKE ELSINORE ADVANCED PUMPED STORAGE (LEAPS) PROJECT**

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BACKGROUND CONTINUED:

There has been limited information regarding the status of the CEQA review as it relates to the LEAPS project. However, According to Forbes Magazine, Morgan Stanley Commodities a Principal Investor in Innovative Power Transmission Project has joined with Siemens and Nevada Hydro to create a new corporate entity, LEAPS Hydro, LLC, for the purposes of building, owning and operating the \$1.1 billion Lake Elsinore Advanced Pump Storage (LEAPS) project and the accompanying transmission lines to provide increased energy reliability to Southern California.

It is anticipated that the draft CEQA document will be available sometime in October or November with comments due in December 2007.

To date the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has not issued a license for the LEAPS Project.

See attached press release.

PR Newswire - Press Release
LEAPS Secures Major Financial Backing
08.06.07, 12:02 PM ET

Morgan Stanley Commodities to Be Principal Investor in Innovative Power Transmission Project Joins with Siemens and Nevada Hydro in Meeting Southern California Power Needs LAKE ELSINORE, Calif., Aug. 6 /PR Newswire/ -- The Nevada Hydro Company today announced its agreement with Morgan Stanley Commodities to create a new corporate entity, LEAPS Hydro, LLC, for the purposes of building, owning and operating the \$1.1 billion Lake Elsinore Advanced Pump Storage (LEAPS) project and the accompanying transmission lines to provide increased energy reliability to Southern California.

LEAPS and the corresponding transmission lines will become the first major hydro-electric project constructed in the United States in approximately 20 years. "We are excited about the prospect of bringing clean and reliable energy to the people of Southern California, and Morgan Stanley's involvement means this project can become a reality," said Nevada Hydro Vice President Rex Wait.

Having already completed federal environmental documents, the project is pending final federal license approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Once final approvals are granted by the State of California and FERC, it will be possible to begin construction and come on line as soon as possible.

"The fact that LEAPS and the corresponding transmission line is primarily located in the Cleveland National Forest minimizes the project's impact on local property owners and provides a unique ability to help address water availability and water quality issues in Lake Elsinore," Wait added. Once completed, LEAPS will be ready to store and generate 500 megawatts on a moment's notice by releasing water from an upper reservoir in Decker Canyon into Lake Elsinore -- ensuring needed energy reliability. The project will be a long-term anchor tenant for Lake Elsinore, providing a long term source of revenues for the maintenance of water quality and lake levels at Lake Elsinore, Southern California's largest natural lake.

A major benefit that LEAPS brings to the power grid is that it provides a place to store renewable energy generated in off-peak times and then re-delivers that energy during high demand periods when the power is needed. The State of California's commitment to renewable energy resources creates a need for infrastructure like LEAPS to store and

redeliver energy. The innovative technology involved in LEAPS makes it possible to use the water stored in an upper reservoir to generate electricity during periods of high demand. This "stored energy" resource means electricity can be produced without using traditional power plants using coal and fossil fuels to run the turbines that create power. Known in the industry as "pumped storage," the LEAPS project enables state energy managers to have a reliable energy source that can be tapped when other renewable resources (wind and solar) are unavailable to residential and commercial electricity customers. "This is a unique opportunity to participate in a world class project and provide a clean energy solution to the power needs of Southern California," according to Arlin Travis, Executive Director, Morgan Stanley.

In addition to Nevada Hydro and Morgan Stanley, Siemens Power Transmission & Distribution, Inc., and Voith Siemens will provide the innovative technology to the project to create a world-class pumped storage hydro project. Voith Siemens will supply the water turbine generators to create the 500 MW of power while Siemens Power Transmission & Distribution will be responsible for a state of the art transmission system that will include a short section of underground 500kV transmission to mitigate hang gliding activities.

In addition to reliability, LEAPS also helps ease the problem of power transmission capacity in Southern California. Currently, there is not enough ability to move electricity in the state. By building transmission lines to connect LEAPS to both Southern California Edison and San Diego Gas & Electric systems, added capacity will be provided to the state's overly congested electricity corridor. "This important connection will provide added reliability to the electricity consumers in San Diego, and we are excited about the opportunity to help electricity consumers all across Southern California," said Wait.

The Nevada Hydro Company was founded by Rex Wait and Peter Lewandowski in Nevada for the purpose of building LEAPS and the corresponding transmission line. The principals of Nevada Hydro include Wait, who has extensive experience in constructing power projects across the globe and Lewandowski who has an extensive track record managing environmental mitigation.

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Nevada Hydro has also retained the consulting firm Devine Tarbell & Associates, Inc. (DTA) to assist with advancing the preliminary engineering performed to date on the project. DTA is a national leader in hydroelectric and, particularly, pumped storage services with over 150 professional engineers, scientists and regulatory specialists, and offices in eight domestic locations.

Voith Siemens Hydro Power Generation is a Group Division of Voith and -- with a workforce of around 2,500 employees and an order intake of around 720 million Euro in the past business year -- Voith Siemens Hydro Power Generation is one of the world-wide leading companies for hydro power equipment. Voith is setting standards in the markets of paper, energy, mobility and service. Founded on January 1, 1867, and currently with around 34,000 employees, a turnover of 3.7 billion Euro, and 250 locations worldwide, Voith is one of Europe's largest family-owned companies.

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"Morgan Stanley's investment into LEAPS at this time means we are closer than ever to finally being able to begin providing clean and reliable energy to the people of Southern California, ultimately reducing their rates. We look forward to bringing this valuable asset online as soon as possible," concluded Wait.

SOURCE Nevada Hydro -0- 08/06/2007 /CONTACT: Chris Wysocki for Nevada Hydro/
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