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## IMPACT STATEMENT

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December 1, 2014

**Requested Council Date:** December 17, 2014

**Legislation title:** Amend Staffing Intergovernmental Agreement with the Regional Water Providers Consortium to extend the expiration date to June 30, 2020 (Ordinance; amend Intergovernmental Agreement No. 50880)

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### **Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

The purpose of the proposed legislation is to extend the termination date of the Staffing Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Portland and the Regional Water Providers Consortium to June 30, 2020. All other terms of the Intergovernmental Agreement are to remain the same.

The City of Portland joined the Regional Water Providers Consortium (Consortium) in December 1996. The Consortium is currently made up of 21 of the Portland metropolitan region's water providers and the regional government, Metro. The primary mission of the Consortium is to serve as a collaborative and coordinating organization to improve the planning and management of municipal water supplies in the Portland metropolitan region.

In May 1997, the City approved a Staffing Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Consortium Board to provide staff support services and manage the finances of the Consortium through the Portland Water Bureau (PWB). It is under this agreement that the City of Portland bills and receives all of the dues for the Consortium, provides accounting for these funds, expends the funds under contracts, and allows for PWB staff to conduct the work of the Consortium. The City has approved three prior term extensions of the Staffing IGA which is due to expire June 30, 2015.

PWB has the capacity and willingness to continue to provide the services listed in the Staffing IGA, and there are no other participants in the Consortium that desire to provide services at this time. The City pays for approximately one-third of the total dues of the Consortium based on a proportionate distribution of costs by system size and has 3.6 full time employee equivalent assigned to the Consortium. The City benefits by managing the staffing activities of the Consortium. It realizes economies of scale by sharing staff between the City and the Consortium and it receives compensation for the services provided in the Staffing IGA at full cost of service.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

The City of Portland has managed the annual Consortium dues and work program since 1997. No new sources of revenue will be generated or required from the City of Portland.

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

For more than a decade and a half, the Consortium's key projects and activities have involved the study and discussion of future water supplies in the region, regional water system resiliency, and a regional water conservation program. By working collaboratively, members of the Consortium ensure that the region has a long-term, reliable, efficient and safe water supply. The Consortium and its members achieve economies of scale implementing regional programs that save rate payers money and strengthen the region's water supply.


Meetings of the Consortium are open to the public. Public notice is given of all meetings in accordance with the Oregon Public Meetings Law. Public comment opportunities are available at all Consortium Board meetings.

**Budgetary Impact Worksheet**

**Does this action change appropriations?**

- YES: Please complete the information below.
- NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount


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