



Washington Legislative Update
July 23, 2013

A. FY 2013 Workplan

- Extended negotiations between Corps of Engineers (CoE) and Office of Management & Budget (OMB) before workplan released
- 2. CoE programs additional \$5.5 million for Santa Ana River
- 3. Orange County's 15-month effort bears fruit
- B. House & Senate Budget Committees profess desire to reconcile FY 2014 budget resolution, but no conference committee forthcoming

- C. FY 2014 Energy & Water Appropriations
 - 1. House and Senate bills more than \$4 billion apart (\$30.4 B vs. \$34.8 B)
 - 2. Much closer on CoE funding—\$4.88 B vs. \$5.18 B
 - 3. Wide discrepancy on funding of Department of Energy programs—White House threatens to veto bill without changes in House energy numbers

- D. FY 2014 Labor-HHS Appropriations
 - 1. Radically different House and Senate bills— \$122 B vs. \$164 B
 - 2. House seeks to zero out funding for implementation of ACA
- E. FY 2013 Budget Deficit now forecast to drop to \$759 B from \$1.087 T in FY 2012



- F. Round II of sequestration kicks in at end of Calendar Year 2013; fate may be tied to next National Debt ceiling increase
- G. FY 2015 Budget—OMB tells departments to cut requests by 10 percent as they prepare their FY 15 budget submission for review



II.SNAP, i.e. Food Stamps

(Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)

- A. Houses passes agriculture-only Farm Bill after failure to pass full reauthorization—including food stamps—in June
- B. SNAP accounts for almost 80 percent of Farm Bill expenditures—\$745 B out of a total of \$940 B over 10 years in original House Farm Bill
- C. Chance of Senate concurrence in agriculture only Farm Bill are slim-to-none



- A. Employer mandate one-year delay
- B. House Republicans proposing individual mandate delay







- A. Senate staff to tour former MCAS Tustin today
- B. Innovative park financing legislation introduced in House (H.R. 2424)



V. Questions/Comments

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