

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES**  
INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: August 3, 2023

To: Honorable Chair and Committee Members, Energy and Environment Committee  
Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky, Chair  
Councilmember Tim McOsker  
Councilmember Nithya Raman  
Councilmember Bob Blumenfield  
Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez

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Subject: **Office of Public Accountability / Ratepayer Advocate comments on CF08-3420-S1, BoE report relative to certification of the final EIR and project approval of the Silver Lake Reservoir Complex Master Plan Project (Silver Lake Master Plan)**

The Office of Public Accountability / Ratepayer Advocate (OPA) believes there is not sufficient nexus between the execution of the Silver Lake Master Plan and drinking water services for it to be funded by LADWP. In OPA's opinion, funding the investment and operating costs proposed for the Master Plan from the LADWP funds is not reasonable.

OPA suggests examining funding supported from other sources, such as a Mello-Roos Community Facility District or a similar mechanism.

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