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## MEMORANDUM

Date: August 14, 2013

To: The Governing Board Members

From:  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

Subject: **Agenda Item XIV: Discussion and possible action regarding Exclusive Dealing Agreement between City of Industry and Industry Water & Power for 525-acre Tonner Canyon property (Assessor Parcel Numbers 306-021-001 and 306-021-002).**

Background: This is for informational purposes regarding the Exclusive Dealing Agreement between City of Industry and Industry Water & Power for the 525-acre Tonner Canyon property (see attached maps). There is no staff recommendation at this time.

On March 14, 2013, the City of Industry Council approved an action considering an Exclusive Dealing Agreement between the City of Industry and Industry Water & Power regarding assessor parcel numbers 306-021-01 and 306-021-02, located in Tonner Canyon.

According to the City's staff report, the developer is interested in the possible development of the property for use as a public project. The term of the agreement is 180 days and the developer will be responsible for all costs and expenses associated with the agreement.

According to a newspaper article (attached), environmental groups have urged Industry to conduct an environmental review in order for the developer to develop the land. Industry's lawyers argued in court that they did not need an environmental review because they planned to use the property for open space. Per the article, the City Manager stated: "We really won't know what he thinks he can do with that property until the end of this six-month period."