Item 2 Submitted by staff at 3/29/12 committee meeting.

**September 28, 2011** 

Discuss Providing Water Credit for Installation of Rainwater Harvesting Systems when Permitting a Modification to an Existing Connection

There was consensus among committee members that water-use credit should not be granted for installation of rainwater harvesting systems. Staff was directed to investigate establishment of an increase in the rebate for installation of rainwater harvesting systems, possibly up to 50 percent of the cost. In addition, staff should look into the feasibility of providing free periodic inspections of rainwater harvesting systems, conducted either by staff or a contractor. Staff will follow-up with the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce and explain why water credit will not be granted for rainwater harvesting systems, and solicit the Chamber for ideas on how to promote use of these systems.