

**Minutes**  
**CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

*May 22, 2008*

The Advisory Committee meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster, 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga CA, on May 22, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Appropriative Pool**

Robert DeLoach, Chair	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Mark Kinsey	Monte Vista Water District
Ken Jeske	City of Ontario
Bill Kruger	City of Chino Hills
Mike McGraw	Fontana Water Company
Anthony La	City of Upland
Dave Crosley	City of Chino
Charles Moorrees	San Antonio Water Company
Raul Garibay	City of Pomona

**Non-Agricultural Pool**

Bob Bowcock, Chair	Vulcan Materials Company (Calmat Division)
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**Agricultural Pool**

Jeff Pierson	Ag Pool, Crops
Pete Hall	State of California - CIM

**Watermaster Staff Present**

Kenneth R. Manning	Chief Executive Officer
Sheri Rojo	CFO/Asst. General Manager
Danielle Maurizio	Senior Engineer
Sherri Lynne Molino	Recording Secretary

**Watermaster Consultants Present**

Michael Fife	Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck
Mark Wildermuth	Wildermuth Environmental Inc.

**Others Present**

Dan Bott	Orange County Water District
Rick Rees	Geomatrix Consultants, Inc./CIM
Mohamed El-Amamy	City of Ontario
Gil Aldaco	City of Chino
Eunice Ulloa	Chino Basin Water Conservation District
Marty Zvirbulis	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Steven G. Lee	Reid & Hellyer
Rich Atwater	Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Mr. Kinsey, acting chair called the Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

**AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER**

There were no additions or reorders made to the agenda.

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the Advisory Committee Meeting held on April 24, 2008

**B. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of April 2008
2. Watermaster Visa Check Detail
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period March 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008
5. Budget vs. Actual July 2007 through March 2008

**C. KCO, LLC ("KOLL") INTERVENTION**

1. Consider Approval of Application of Intervention by KCO, LLC ("Koll") to become a Member of the Overlying Non-Agricultural Pool

**D. WATER TRANSACTION**

1. **Consider Approval for Notice of Sale or Transfer** – The Cucamonga Valley Water District has an agreement with West Valley Water District, formerly known as West San Bernardino County Water District, whereby Cucamonga Valley Water District will purchase 500 acre-feet of West valley Water District's stored Chino Basin groundwater. Date of Application: March 13, 2008
2. **Consider Approval for Notice of Sale or Transfer** – Sunkist Growers ("Transferor") hereby permanently transfers to KCO, LLC – "Koll" ("Transferee") the quantity of 22,000 acre-feet per year of corresponding Safe Yield (Non-Agricultural Pool) adjudicated to Transferor or its predecessor in interest in the Judgment. Date of Application: March 4, 2008

*Motion by Moorrees, second by La, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve consent calendar items A through D, as presented***

**II. BUSINESS ITEMS****A. WATERMASTER 2008-2009 BUDGET**

Mr. Manning stated the draft budget presentation was given at all Pool meetings and noted at the Appropriative and Non-Agricultural Pool meeting the members suggested and approved Watermaster staff to change the budget to reflect a reduction of 25% in the 6907 category for legal fees. With that 25% reduction in the budget, in November the budget would be revisited with more refined numbers for the 6907 category. The budget will be updated and reflected in the next Assessment Package. The Agricultural Pool agreed with the Appropriative and Non-Agricultural Pools motion for the 25% reduction in the 6907 category. Mr. Manning noted if this committee agrees with the Pools motions, it will then be taken to the Watermaster Board for approval and be brought back through the Watermaster process in June for final approval. A discussion regarding the budget ensued.

*Motion by Jeske, second by La, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve the Chino Basin Watermaster 2008-2009 budget, as presented***

**B. CHINO CREEK WELL FIELD COSTS**

Mr. Manning stated letters were received from Western Municipal Water District, the City of Ontario, and Jurupa Community Services District regarding their plans to expand desalter production to 40,000 acre-feet while at the same time achieving Hydraulic Control in the southern portion of the basin. Mr. Manning stated Watermaster is requesting direction from the Advisory Committee and the Watermaster Board regarding Watermaster taking the lead position in litigation and in assuming responsibility for costs associated to this task. This item has gone to the Pools and has had unanimous approval. Counsel Fife stated counsel will provide additional information regarding current discussions with the parties and the County at future meetings.

*Motion by Pierson, second by McGraw, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve the request to take an active role in the litigation and remediation of the VOC plume emanating from the Chino Airport, as presented***

Mr. Kinsey, acting chair, turned the meeting to chair, DeLoach

**C. AGREEMENT WITH IEUA FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR CEQA COSTS**

Mr. Manning stated the proposed agreement provides Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) as the lead agency for the CEQA review associated with the Peace II Agreement and that Watermaster will agree to reimburse IEUA for the costs of this review. The proposed scope of work estimates the costs of analysis at \$63,000. Mr. Manning noted this amount is within the \$200,000 allocated in Watermaster's proposed budget. Mr. Manning stated this item has gone to the Pools and has had unanimous approval. Staff is recommending approval of this agreement.

*Motion by Jeske, second by Kinsey, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve the agreement with Inland Empire Utilities Agency for reimbursement for CEQA costs, as presented***

**III. REPORTS/UPDATES**

**A. WATERMASTER GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

1. July 24, 2008 Hearing

Counsel Fife stated there was a hearing scheduled in May, however, the court moved that hearing date to July, and has now delayed the hearing a second time to August 21, 2008. Counsel Fife stated a few of the administrative items to be heard at the May hearing were the recent interventions and the Watermaster Thirtieth Annual Report and a very brief hearing might be set prior to the August 21<sup>st</sup> hearing to move those few items through the court system in a more timely manner.

2. Santa Ana River Permits

Counsel Fife stated on Tuesday the State Board unanimously approved the City of Riverside's Waste Water Change Petition. This was the first of many needed approvals coming out of last May's hearing on the Santa Ana River Permits. Counsel Fife stated he heard that our anticipated permits will be drafted within the next 30 to 60 days. Counsel Fife noted he has received some calls from the State Board staff asking minor details; showing they are in the process of drafting Watermaster's permit. A discussion regarding the original permit ensued.

**B. ENGINEERING UPDATES**

1. Conditions Subsequent 5 and 6 Update

No comment was made regarding this item.

2. Changes in the Characteristics in the Santa Ana River Flow

No comment was made regarding this item.

**C. CEO/STAFF REPORT**

1. Legislative Update

Mr. Manning stated there is a detailed legislative update provided by IEUA in the meeting packet for review. The governor has submitted a number of items that did not show up in the May revise that were of interest to water agencies. Mr. Manning reviewed several bills relevant to the water industry. Mr. Manning noted the Farm Bill did pass which has some implications for the water industry but, that bill was then vetoed by President. Mr. Manning noted there were enough votes in the senate and house to override the President's veto; more details will follow when additional information is released.

2. Recharge Update

Mr. Manning stated the most recent recharge update is on the back table. Mr. Manning noted 260 acre-feet of mostly recycled water was recharged in April.

3. OIA Update

Mr. Manning stated at a recent meeting Mr. Treweek advised the group that GeoTrans is working on behalf of the parties involved in the plume and that they were working on drilling four monitoring wells in the Chino Basin in order to provide more information as to their involvement within the Ontario Airport plume. The drilling of those wells has already started and staff will keep the parties apprised as to the progress of those wells and the information the wells provide.

**D. INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY**

1. MWD Water Alert Presentation

Mr. Atwater commented on the MWD drought plan. Mr. Atwater noted there will be a Landscape Alliance workshop today at IEUA. A discussion regarding conservation matters ensued.

2. Recycled Water 3-Year Budget Presentation

Mr. Atwater noted the Recycled Water 3-Year Budget presentation is in the meeting package for review. Mr. Atwater commented on the use of recycled water on fire trucks. A discussion regarding recycled water usage ensued.

3. Recycled Water Newsletter

No comment was made regarding this item.

4. Monthly Water Conservation Programs Report

No comment was made regarding this item.

5. Monthly Imported Water Deliveries Report

No comment was made regarding this item.

6. State and Federal Legislative Report

Mr. Atwater stated he would appreciate any letters of support written regarding AB2270 on water softeners. This has been a very big campaign for all of us. Mr. Atwater gave details about what damage water softeners can do to our water supply.

7. Community Outreach/Public Relations Report

No comment was made regarding this item.

**E. OTHER METROPOLITAN MEMBER AGENCY REPORTS**

No comment was made regarding this item.

**IV. INFORMATION**

1. Newspaper Articles

No comment was made regarding this item.

**V. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

No comment was made regarding this item.

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

No comment was made regarding this item.

**VII. FUTURE MEETINGS**

May 22, 2008	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting
May 22, 2008	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting
May 29, 2008	10:00 a.m.	Recharge Master Plan Meeting
June 12, 2008	10:00 a.m.	Joint Appropriative & Non-Agricultural Pool Meeting
June 17, 2008	9:00 a.m.	Agricultural Pool Meeting @ IEUA
June 26, 2008	8:00 a.m.	IEUA Dry Year Yield Meeting @ CBWM
June 26, 2007	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting
June 26, 2007	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting

The Advisory Committee meeting was dismissed by Chair DeLoach at 9:45 a.m.

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes Approved: June 26, 2008