MINUTES CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

May 18, 2023

The Advisory Committee meeting was held at the Watermaster offices located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, and via Zoom (conference call and web meeting) on May 18, 2023.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

NON-AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Brian Geye, Chair California Speedway Corporation

Christopher Quach City of Ontario

AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Gregor Larabee for Leon Kazandjian State of California – CDCR

AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair Crops

Tariq Awan State of California – CIM

• APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Dave Crosley City of Chino
Chris Diggs City of Pomona

Amanda Coker Cucamonga Valley Water District Eric Tarango for Cris Fealy Fontana Union Water Company

Eric Tarango Fontana Water Company

Chris Berch Jurupa Community Services District

Eric Tarango for Cris Fealy Nicholson Family Trust

APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Ron Craig City of Chino Hills

Justin Scott-Coe Monte Vista Irrigation Company
Justin Scott-Coe Monte Vista Water District

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

James Curatalo Appropriative Pool – Minor Representative

Manny Martinez Monte Vista Water District

Mike Gardner Western Municipal Water District

WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas General Manager

Edgar Tellez Foster Water Resources Mgmt. and Planning Dir.

Joseph Joswiak Chief Financial Officer
Anna Nelson Director of Administration

Justin Nakano Water Resources Technical Manager

Frank Yoo Data Services and Judgment Reporting Mgr.

Alexandria Moore Executive Assistant I/Board Clerk

Ruby Favela Quintero Administrative Analyst

Kelli Hills Office Specialist/Receptionist
Alonso Jurado Senior Field Operations Specialist
David Huynh Senior Field Operations Specialist

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Brad Herrema Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

Andy Malone West Yost Garrett Rapp West Yost

OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Bryan Smith Jurupa Community Services District

OTHERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Natalie Avila City of Chino

Mark GibboneyCucamonga Valley Water DistrictRob HillsCucamonga Valley Water DistrictJiwon SeungCucamonga Valley Water District

Tarren Alicia Torres

Egoscue Law Group, Inc.

Michael Hurley

Alyssa Coronado

Bill Wyat

Egoscue Law Group, Inc.

Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Santa Ana River Water Company

Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton

Marilyn Levin State of California – DOJ

Joshua Aguilar Western Municipal Water District Mallory Gandara Western Municipal Water District

Richard Rees WSP USA

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Geye called the Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL

(0:00:11) Ms. Moore conducted the roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER

None

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these items prior to voting unless any members, staff, or the public requests specific items be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.

A. MINUTES

Approve as presented:

1. Minutes of the Advisory Committee Meeting held April 20, 2023

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

- 1. Cash Disbursements for the month of March 2023
- 2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of March 2023
- 3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023
- 4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period March 1, 2023 through March 31, 2023
- 5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023
- 6. Cash Disbursements for April 2023 (Information Only)

(0:02:54)

Motion by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. Chris Berch, Chair Geye called for dissent, and, none being noted, the motion was deemed passed unanimously among those present.

Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

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II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. WATERMASTER FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 PROPOSED BUDGET APPROVAL

Approval of the Watermaster Fiscal Year 2023/24 Proposed Budget including consideration of potential changes as may be identified at Pool Committees. (0:04:05) Mr. Joswiak gave a presentation. A discussion ensued.

(0:07:09)

Motion by Mr. Chris Berch, seconded by Mr. Chris Diggs; a volume vote was taken, and the item passed by majority 80.093 votes as attached to these minutes.

Moved to approve Business Item II.A. as presented.

B. ARUNA REDDY OVERLYING (AGRICULTURAL) POOL INTERVENTION REQUEST The staff report will be distributed separately.

(0:15:29) Mr. Kavounas stated that there is nothing to report at this time and the item will be brought back when more information has been received by the well owner.

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. WATERMASTER LEGAL COUNSEL

- 1. May 12, 2023 Hearing (Watermaster Motion for Receipt and Filing of Semi-Annual OBMP Status Report; City of Ontario Motion re 2022-23 Assessment Package)
- 2. Court of Appeal Case No. E079052 (City of Chino, MVIC, MVWD, City of Ontario appeal re OAP Expenses and Attorney Fees)
- 3. Court of Appeal Case No. E080457 (City of Ontario appeal re 2021-22 Assessment Package)
- 4. Court of Appeal Case No. E080533 (Cities of Chino, Ontario appeal re 2022-23 Watermaster budget expenses to support CEQA analysis)
- 5. Kaiser Permanente Lawsuit

(0:15:46) Mr. Herrema stated that his report remained unchanged from those given at the Pool Committee meetings on Tuesday and that staff distributed the Court's ruling from Friday. He also mentioned that the same Zoom link will be used for Judge Ochoa's courtroom for each hearing and that all attorneys wishing to participate will need to establish a court call. A discussion ensued.

B. ENGINEER

- 1. 2023 Storage Framework Investigation
- 2. Data Collection and Evaluation Report for FY 2021/2022
- 3. Board-Requested Recharge Project Analysis

(0:18:42) Mr. Malone stated that Mr. Rapp's report remained unchanged from those given at the Pool Committee meetings on Tuesday.

C. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

None

D. GENERAL MANAGER

- 1. 2022/23 DYY Operation
- 2. Available Grant Opportunities
- 3. Other

(0:19:14) Mr. Kavounas stated that his report remained unchanged from those given at the Pool Committee meetings on Tuesday. He reminded the Pool Committee members of the Chino Basin Stakeholder BBQ on May 25, 2023.

E. INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY

- 1. MWD Update (Written)
- 2. Water Supply Conditions (Written)
- 3. State and Federal Legislative Reports (Written)

(0:19:53) Mr. Michael Hurley, Director of Planning and Resources gave an update on the Metropolitan Water District's pipelines and indicated that the recharge under the DYY program has begun. IEUA staff will keep parties apprised on progress in the coming months.

F. METROPOLITAN MEMBER AGENCY REPORTS

None

IV. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None

V. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VI. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

A Confidential Session may be held during the Advisory Committee meeting for the purpose of discussion and possible action

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Geye adjourned the Advisory Committee meeting at 9:24 a.m.

		Secretary:
Approved:	June 15, 2023	

Attachment:

1. 20230518 Advisory Committee Meeting (Volume Vote Outcome for Business Item II.A.)



2023 ADVISORY COMMITTEE VOLUME VOTE Assessment Year 2022-2023 (Production Year 2021-2022)

QUORUM MET?

YES

Enter Y or N in Each Cell

Party	Present (Y/N)	Vote (Y/N)	Assigned	Reallocated	Available	Quorum	Total Yes
Minor 1 - Nicholson Family Trust	Υ	Υ	3.283	3.519	6.802	6.566	6.802
Minor 2 - West End Consolidated Water Co	N	N	3.283	(3.283)	0.000	0.000	0.000
Chino Hills, City Of	Υ	Υ	2.752	0.099	2.851	2.752	2.851
Chino, City Of	Υ	N	4.281	0.154	4.435	4.281	0.000
Cucamonga Valley Water District	Υ	Υ	7.135	0.257	7.392	7.135	7.392
Fontana Union Water Company	Υ	Υ	4.371	0.157	4.528	4.371	4.528
Fontana Water Company	Υ	Υ	5.664	0.204	5.868	5.664	5.868
Jurupa Community Services District	Υ	Υ	7.180	0.258	7.438	7.180	7.438
Monte Vista Water District	Υ	Υ	6.778	0.244	7.022	6.778	7.022
Ontario, City Of	Υ	N	14.935	0.537	15.472	14.935	0.000
Pomona, City Of	Υ	Υ	12.735	0.458	13.193	12.735	13.193
Upland, City Of	N	N	2.603	(2.603)	0.000	0.000	0.000
AGRICULTURAL POOL	Υ	Υ	20.000	0.000	20.000	20.000	20.000
NON-AGRICULTURAL POOL	Υ	Υ	5.000	0.000	5.000	5.000	5.000
			100.000	0.001	100.001	97.397	80.093

CALCULATE QUORUM CALCULATE VOTES "YES" VOTES 80.093

RESET VOTES

"NO" VOTES 19.907 **PASSED**

RESET ALL