

MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
June 15, 2023

The Advisory Committee meeting was held at the Chino Basin Watermaster offices located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, and via Zoom (conference call and web meeting) on June 15, 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**

Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair	Crops
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• **AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM**

Jimmy Medrano	State of California – CDCR
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• **APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER**

Dave Crosley	City of Chino
Ron Craig	City of Chino Hills
Courtney Jones	City of Ontario
Chris Diggs	City of Pomona
Eduardo Espinoza	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Marty Zvirbulis	Fontana Union Water Company
Cris Fealy	Fontana Water Company
Chris Berch	Jurupa Community Services District
Justin Scott-Coe	Monte Vista Irrigation Company
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Marty Zvirbulis	Nicholson Family Trust

• **APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM**

Braden Yu	City of Upland
Braden Yu	West End Consolidated Water Co.

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

James Curatalo	Appropriative Pool – Minor Representative
Bob Bowcock	CalMat Co.
Bob Kuhn	Three Valleys Municipal Water District
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
Veva Weamer	West Yost

OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Kati Parker	Chino Basin Water Conservation District
Natalie Avila	City of Chino
Bryan Smith	Jurupa Community Services District
Andy Campbell	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Alyssa Coronado	Santa Ana River Water Company

OTHERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Nicole deMoet	City of Upland
Mark Gibboney	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Jiwon Seung	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Tarren Alicia Torres	Egoscue Law Group, Inc.
Oscar Ramos	Fontana Union Water Company
Michael Hurley	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Cathy Pieroni	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Jesse Pompa	Jurupa Community Services District
Kevin O'Toole	Orange County Water District
Gregor Larabee	State of California – DOJ
David De Jesus	Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Nicole deMoet	West End Consolidated Water Company
Mallory Gandara	Western Municipal Water District
Laura Roughton	Western Municipal Water District
Richard Rees	WSP USA

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Geye called the Advisory Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

(0:00:14) 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 May 18, 2023

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of April 2023

2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of April 2023
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2022 through April 30, 2023
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period April 1, 2023 through April 30, 2023
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2022 through April 30, 2023
6. Cash Disbursements for May 2023 (Information Only)

C. APPLICATION: RECHARGE – CHINO BASIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve Chino Basin Water Conservation District's application for recharge and direct Watermaster staff to account for the same.

D. APPLICATION: LOCAL STORAGE AGREEMENT – ONAP

Recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve the proposed agreements.

E. 2022 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRADO BASIN HABITAT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Recommend to the Watermaster Board to receive and file.

(0:02:31)

Motion by Mr. Chris Diggs, seconded by Mr. Justin Scott-Coe, 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.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. TASK ORDER NO. 7 UNDER MASTER AGREEMENT FOR COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS: CHINO CREEK REACH 1B MONITORING PROGRAM

Approve Task Order No. 7 as presented.

(0:02:54) Mr. Kavounas gave a report.

(0:03:23)

Motion by Mr. 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 Business Item II.A. as presented.

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. WATERMASTER LEGAL COUNSEL

1. August 4, 2023 Hearing (City of Ontario Motion re 2022-23 Assessment Package; Court Tour of Chino Basin)
2. Court Tour of Chino Basin
3. Court of Appeal Case No. E079052 (City of Chino, MVIC, MVWD, City of Ontario appeal re OAP Expenses and Attorney Fees)
4. Court of Appeal Case No. E080457 (City of Ontario appeal re 2021-22 Assessment Package)
5. Court of Appeal Case No. E080533 (Cities of Chino, Ontario appeal re 2022-23 Watermaster budget expenses to support CEQA analysis)
6. Kaiser Permanente Lawsuit

(0:03:47) Mr. Herrema stated that his report remained unchanged from those given at the Pool Committee meetings last week. A discussion ensued.

B. ENGINEER

1. 2022 Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee Annual Report
2. Planning and Coordination on the EPA Proposed MCLs for PFAS

(0:08:50) Ms. Weamer stated her reports remained unchanged from those given at the Pool Committee meetings last week; the Committee declined to hear them again.

C. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. FY 2022/23 Ongoing Auditing Activity by C.J. Brown & Company CPAs

(0:09:45) Mr. Joswiak stated his report remained unchanged from those given at the Pool Committee meetings last week; the Committee declined to hear it again.

D. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Recharge Activities
2. OBMP CEQA Update
3. Regional Reliability Study
4. Access to Watermaster Offices
5. July Meeting Schedule
6. Other

(0:10:06) Mr. Kavounas stated that his reports remained unchanged from those given at the Pool Committee meetings last week; the Committee declined to hear them again.

E. INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY

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

(0:10:31) Mr. Andy Campbell gave a presentation on stormwater capture update. A discussion ensued.

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 9:29 a.m.

Secretary: _____



Approved: _____ August 17, 2023