

Minutes
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
AGRICULTURAL POOL MEETING
November 12, 2009

The Agricultural Pool Meeting was held at the offices of the office of Inland Empire Utilities Agency, 6075 Kimball Avenue, Chino, CA, on November 12, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

Agricultural Pool Members Present

Bob Feenstra, Chair	Dairy
John Huitsing	Dairy
Pete Hettinga	Dairy
Jeff Pierson	Crops
Glen Durrington	Crops
Jennifer Novak	State of California, Dept. of Justice, CIM
Pete Hall	State of California, CIM

Watermaster Board Members Present

Paul Hofer	Agricultural
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Watermaster Staff Present

Sheri Rojo	CFO/Asst. General Manager
Danielle Maurizio	Senior Engineer
Ben Pac	Senior Project Engineer
Sherri Lynne Molino	Recording Secretary

Watermaster Consultants Present

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

Others Present

Steven Lee	Reid & Hellyer
Ryan Shaw	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Dave Crosley	City of Chino
Ken Jeske	City of Ontario
Marsha Westropp	Orange County Water District

Chair Feenstra called the Agricultural Pool meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER

No additions or reorder were made to the agenda.

CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

Pursuant to the Agricultural Pool Rules & Regulations, a Confidential Session may be held during the Watermaster Pool meeting for the purpose of discussion and possible action.

No confidential session was called.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Agricultural Pool Meeting held October 8, 2009

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of September 2009
2. Watermaster Visa Check Detail for the month of September 2009
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period September 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009
5. Budget vs. Actual July through September 2009

C. WATER TRANSACTION

1. **Consider Approval for Notice of Sale or Transfer** - Chino Basin Watermaster will purchase 21.215 acre-feet of water from Aqua Capital Management to offset the Assessment Year 2008-09 replenishment obligation. Watermaster will purchase the water at \$321.76 per acre-foot, which is the Assessment Year 2008-09 replenishment rate collected, plus accumulated interest. The transfer will be made from Aqua Capital Management's net under-production in Fiscal Year 2009-10.
Date of Application: September 18, 2009.
2. **Consider Approval for Notice of Sale or Transfer** - Monte Vista Water District is purchasing 5.188 acre-feet of water from the San Antonio Water Company. This purchase is made first from San Antonio's net underproduction, if any, in Fiscal Year 2009-10, with any remainder to be recaptured from storage. Date of Application: October 8, 2009.

D. SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

1. Consider Approval of Status Report 2009-1

Motion by Pierson, second by Durrington, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Consent Calendar item A through D, as presented

Added Comment:

Mr. Manning noted there are not action items on the agenda this month. Chair Feenstra inquired as to the status of the Water Auction. Mr. Manning stated the auction has been postponed due to a number of organizations that wanted more information particularly on the recovery strategies that were going to be implemented. The decision to postpone was a unanimous decision by staff and the Appropriate Pool members and to move on Plan B. Mr. Manning described Plan B in detail and how the process of buying the Non-Agricultural pool water would move forward. A discussion regarding the water auction, Plan B, and the future of the auction ensued.

II. REPORTS/UPDATES**A. WATERMASTER GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

1. Completion of SWRCB Santa Ana River Process
Counsel Fife stated there was a State Water Resource Control Board hearing on October 22, 2009 and at that hearing the state board approved the Western Municipal Water District permit; this brings this permit process to a close.

B. WATERMASTER FINANCIAL REPORT

1. PERS Audit
Ms. Rojo stated Chino Basin Watermaster underwent a PERS audit a few weeks ago and the report from that audit will be ready in a few months. Once staff receives the report they will be given to the Watermaster Board.
2. Engineering Budget Update
Ms. Rojo stated the current Wildermuth Environmental budget update will be ready to distribute at the Advisory Committee meeting later this month. Ms. Rojo noted this is a very informative report. Chair Feenstra asked for a follow up report to be given at a future meeting regarding budgets.

3. Disposition of Water Purchased from the Non-Agricultural Pool

Ms. Rojo stated the payment for the purchase of the Non-Agricultural Pool water that was to be auctioned off will be invoiced along with the current Assessments. A discussion regarding assessments payments ensued. Mr. Jeske offered comment regarding assessment and the purchase of the Non-Agricultural Pool water at a good price. A discussion regarding taxes and revenues ensued. Mr. Manning offered comment on payment options being discussed with various Appropriative Pool members.

C. CEO/STAFF REPORT

1. Legislative Update

Mr. Manning stated legislature did pass the bond measure which consisted of SBX7-1 Delta Plan/Governance, 7-2 Bond Measure, 7-6 Groundwater Monitoring, 7-7 Water Use Efficiency, and 7-8 Water Quality/Diversions. This is a monumental 11.3 billion dollar bond that will go a long way to solidifying the future of California's water.

2. Recharge Report

Mr. Manning stated the most current recharge report is available on the back table and there was stormwater capture of approximately 1,300 acre-feet last month.

Added Comment:

Mr. Manning referenced the handout on the back table regarding the 4th annual Christmas gathering at his home on Thursday, December 17, 2009.

III. INFORMATION

1. Newspaper Articles

No comment was made regarding this item.

IV. POOL MEMBER COMMENTS

No comment was made regarding this item.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

No comment was made regarding this item.

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

November 12, 2009	9:00 a.m.	Agricultural Pool Meeting @ IEUA
November 19, 2009	8:00 a.m.	IUEA Dry Year Yield Meeting @ CBWM
November 19, 2009	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting @ CBWM
November 19, 2009	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting @ CBWM
December 3, 2009	1:00 p.m.	Appropriative & Non-Agricultural Pool Meeting @ CBWM
December 10, 2009	9:00 a.m.	Agricultural Pool Meeting @ IEUA
December 17, 2009	8:00 a.m.	IUEA Dry Year Yield Meeting @ CBWM
December 17, 2009	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting @ CBWM
December 17, 2009	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting @ CBWM
December 17, 2009	1:00 p.m.	Recharge Master Plan Workshop @ CBWM

The Agricultural Pool meeting was dismissed by Chair Feenstra at 9:50 a.m.

Secretary: _____

Minutes Approved: December 10, 2009