

**MINUTES**  
**CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER**  
**AGRICULTURAL POOL MEETING**

November 10, 2016

The Agricultural Pool meeting was held at the offices of Chino Basin Watermaster located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA on November 10, 2016.

**AGRICULTURAL POOL MEMBERS PRESENT**

Bob Feenstra, Chair	Dairy
Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair	Crops
Pete Hall	State of California – CIM
Lawrence Dimock	State of California – CIM
Bob Page	County of San Bernardino
John Huitsing	Dairy
Nathan deBoom	Dairy
Henry DeHaan	Dairy
Marilyn Levin for Carol Boyd	State of California – DOJ
Ron LaBrucherie, Jr.	Crops

**WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel	Dairy
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**WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT**

Peter Kavounas	General Manager
Joseph Joswiak	Chief Financial Officer
Anna Truong	Executive Services Director/Board Clerk
Edgar Tellez Foster	Senior Environmental Engineer

**WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT**

Brad Herrema	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
Andy Malone	Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Tom Ash	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Sylvie Lee	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Tracy Egoscue	Egoscue Law Group
Richard Rees	AMEC

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Feenstra called the Agricultural Pool meeting to order at 1:40 p.m. He provided an update on Mr. Bob Kuhn's recovery from heart surgery.

**AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER**

None

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**A. MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the Agricultural Pool Special Meeting held October 5, 2016
2. Minutes of the Agricultural Pool Meeting held October 13, 2016

**B. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of September 2016
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of September 2016
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period September 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016

**C. ANNUAL FINDING OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE WITH THE RECHARGE MASTER PLAN**

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to adopt the finding that Watermaster is in substantial compliance with the Recharge Master Plan.

**D. CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER 38<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL REPORT**

Recommend that the Advisory Committee recommend to the Watermaster Board to adopt the 38th Annual Report, along with filing a copy with the Court, subject to any necessary non-substantive changes.

**E. WATER TRANSACTION**

Notice of Sale or Transfer – The purchase of 112.219 acre-feet of water from the City of Pomona by the City of Ontario. This purchase is made from the City of Pomona's Excess Carryover Account. Date of application: August 18, 2016.

(0:02:15)

*Motion by Mr. Nathan deBoom, seconded by Mr. Jeff Pierson, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve Consent Calendar as presented***

**II. BUSINESS ITEMS****A. USE OF SB 222 FUNDS IN FISCAL YEAR 2016/17**

Recommend that the Advisory Committee direct the use of the SB 222 Funds of \$158,251 to pay for studies and investigations that aid in implementing the OBMP, and find that the proposed use is consistent with the original intent of the legislation.

(0:02:50) Mr. Joswiak gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:18:11) Mr. Labrucherie, Jr. joined the meeting.

(0:25:51)

*Motion by Mr. John Huitsing, seconded by Mr. Nathan deBoom, and by unanimous vote*

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

**B. CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017 ASSESSMENT PACKAGE**

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to approve the Fiscal Year 2016/17 Assessment Package as presented, including no credit for Stormwater New Yield and postponing the assessment of Desalter Replenishment Obligation.

(0:27:02) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:33:02)

*Motion by Mr. Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. Bob Page, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve Business Item II.B. as presented***

**C. RESOLUTION TO LEVY REPLENISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/17**

Review Resolution 2016-09 as presented, and offer advice to Watermaster.

(0:33:32) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

**D. 2013 RMPU AMENDMENT – PROPOSED YIELD ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS**

Consider adopting the “Opt out” provisions from Section 5.1[c] of the Safe Yield Reset Agreement and make appropriate recommendation to the Advisory Committee.

Consider adopting the “Post-2014 Stormwater Recharge Program” as presented, and make appropriate recommendation to the Advisory Committee.

(0:34:51) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:38:48) Motion introduced by Vice-Chair Pierson. Additional discussion ensued.

(0:40:18) Vote taken

*Motion by Mr. Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. Pete Hall, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve Business Item II.D., the “Post-2014 Stormwater Recharge Program without the “Opt out” provisions from Section 5.1[c] of the Safe Yield Reset Agreement” as presented.***

**E. SUPPLEMENTAL WATER RECHARGE REVISED FORMS**

Recommend approval of the revised Form 2, and its use instead of the existing Form 2.

(0:40:35) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:41:50)

*Motion by Mr. Nathan deBoom, seconded by Mr. Jeff Pierson, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve Business Item II.E. as presented***

**F. WATER USE EFFICIENCY WITH FARMERS IN THE CHINO BASIN (INFORMATION ONLY)**

Presentation by IEUA – For information only.

(0:42:12) Chair Feenstra introduced Mr. Tom Ash of Inland Empire Utilities Agency.

(0:42:47) Mr. Ash gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:53:21)

*Motion by Mr. Nathan deBoom, seconded by Mr. Jeff Pierson, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to support Business Item II.F., Water Use Efficiency with Farmers in the Chino Basin, and seek assistance from Mr. Ash and Watermaster staff to draft a letter on Agricultural Pool letterhead to send out to Pool members in Southwest Ontario.***

**G. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**III. REPORTS/UPDATES**

**A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

1. Responses to Questions for Clarification of Safe Yield Reset Tentative Orders
2. December 9, 2016 Court Hearing re Physical Solution Transfer Rate Substitution
3. Submittal of 2015 Ground-Level Monitoring Committee Annual Report

(0:55:35) Mr. Herrema gave a report.

**B. ENGINEER REPORT**

1. Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee
2. Ground-Level Monitoring Committee
3. RMPU Project Support and MPI Analysis
4. Basin Monitoring Program Task Force

(1:03:12) Mr. Malone gave a report. A discussion ensued.

**C. CFO REPORT**

1. Fiscal Year 2016/17 Assessment Invoicing

(1:25:40) Mr. Joswiak gave a report and added an item regarding Desalter Replenishment Obligation. A discussion ensued.

**D. GM REPORT**

1. FY 2015/16 Replenishment Water Order
2. CY 2017 Volume Vote
3. Other

(1:28:58) Mr. Kavounas gave a report and introduced Watermaster's newest employee, Mr. Edgar Tellez Foster.

**IV. INFORMATION**

1. Cash Disbursements for October 2016

**V. POOL DISCUSSION**

1. Chairman's Update
2. Pool Member Comments

(1:33:16) Mr. Hall commented on the October 2016 Ground-Level Monitoring Committee Meeting. A discussion ensued.

(1:34:57) Mr. Kavounas gave an update regarding the release of private well data for the Ambient Water Quality Re-Computation. He asked the Pool that if they receive calls regarding the letter that was sent, to please encourage the recipients to reply promptly so that the Re-Computation may be undertaken. A discussion ensued.

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Feenstra adjourned the Agricultural Pool meeting at 3:17 p.m.

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

Approved: February 9, 2017 \_\_\_\_\_