

MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
AGRICULTURAL POOL MEETING

May 13, 2019

The Agricultural Pool meeting was held at the offices of Chino Basin Watermaster located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA on May 13, 2019.

AGRICULTURAL POOL MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Feenstra, Chair	Dairy
Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair	Crops
Pete Hall	State of California – CIM
Diana Frederick for Jimmy Medrano	State of California – DOC
Carol Boyd	State of California – CIM
John Huitsing	Dairy
Bob Page	County of San Bernardino
Ron LaBrucherie, Jr.	Crops

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBER PRESENT

Paul Hofer	Crops
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WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Joseph Joswiak	Chief Financial Officer
Edgar Tellez Foster	Senior Environmental Engineer
Anna Nelson	Executive Services Director/Board Clerk

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Richard Rees	Wood plc
Tracy Egoscue	Egoscue Law Group, Inc.
Tamer Ahmed	State of California – CDCR

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Feenstra called the Agricultural Pool meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER

(0:00:10) Chair Feenstra announced the passing of Mr. Nathan deBoom's father.

(0:01:00) Ms. Boyd introduced Mr. Tamer Ahmed, the Associate Director of Facilities Asset Management for the State of California.

(0:01:38) Mr. Hall announced that Mr. Jimmy Medrano was injured, and Ms. Frederick will be his alternate in the interim.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES

Approve as presented:

1. Minutes of the Agricultural Pool Meeting held on April 10, 2019

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of March 2019
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of March 2019

3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period March 1, 2019 through March 31, 2019
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019

C. WATER TRANSACTIONS

Provide advice and assistance to the Watermaster Board on the proposed transaction: The purchase of 7,500.000 acre-feet of water from the Cucamonga Valley Water District to Fontana Water Company. This purchase is made from Cucamonga Valley Water District's Annual Production Right/Operating Safe Yield first, then any additional from Excess Carryover.

(0:02:35)

Motion by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. Ron LaBrucherie, Jr., and by unanimous vote
Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. WATERMASTER FISCAL YEAR 2019/20 PROPOSED BUDGET

Recommend Advisory Committee approval of the proposed FY 2019/20 budget as presented.

(0:03:12) Mr. Joswiak gave a presentation. A discussion ensued.

(0:26:24) Vice-Chair Pierson introduced a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Ron LaBrucherie, Jr. Additional discussion ensued.

(0:27:47) Vote Taken

Motion by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. Ron LaBrucherie, Jr., and by unanimous vote
Moved to approve Business Item II.A. as presented.

(0:29:17) Chair Feenstra authorized payment of \$21,686 to SAWPA for the TMDL Study.

B. WILDERMUTH ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. CONTRACT

Offer advice and assistance with the proposed contract.

(0:30:50) Mr. Tellez Foster gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:36:05) The Pool provided favorable input to move the Wildermuth Environmental, Inc. contract forward. Additional discussion ensued.

C. OLD BUSINESS

None

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

1. Watermaster Rules and Regulations Update Process
2. June 7, 2019 Hearing

(0:39:36) Mr. Herrema gave a report. A discussion ensued.

B. ENGINEER REPORT

1. Pomona Extensometer Update
2. Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee Annual Report
3. State of the Basin – Presentation on Water Levels and Storage

(0:45:55) Mr. Malone gave a report on GM Report Item III.D.4., the Water Quality Colloquium. A discussion ensued.

(0:49:39) Ms. Egoscue thanked Watermaster for holding a great panel and a high-level Water Quality Colloquium. Additional discussion ensued

(0:51:39) Mr. Malone gave a report on Items III.B.1. – III.B.2. and a presentation on III.B.3. A discussion ensued.

C. CFO REPORT

1. Exhibit "G" Water Payments

(1:11:27) Mr. Joswiak gave a report. A discussion ensued.

D. GM REPORT

1. OBMP Update Status
2. Prior Assessment Package True-Up Process
3. Ely 3 Basin
4. Water Quality Colloquium
5. ACWA Excellence in Water Leadership Award
6. Other

(1:14:35) Mr. Tellez Foster gave a report on Items III.D.1. – III.D.3 on Mr. Kavounas' behalf. A discussion ensued.

(1:17:42) Ms. Nelson gave a report on Item III.D.5. A discussion ensued.

(1:20:15) Mr. Joswiak gave a report on the RMPU Grant Funding Update. A discussion ensued.

(1:23:18) Mr. Tellez Foster gave a report on the Storage Management Plan. A discussion ensued.

IV. INFORMATION

1. Cash Disbursements for April 2019

V. POOL DISCUSSION

1. Chairman's Update
2. Pool Member Comments

None

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair Feenstra called for a confidential session at 2:59 p.m. to discuss the Watermaster Rules and Regulations Update Process, Storage Contest, and Strategic Planning. Ms. Egoscue announced that confidential session concluded at 3:47 p.m. with the following reportable action:

(1:26:38)

1. The counsel for the Ag Pool is directed to prepare a redline of both the Ag Pool Pooling Plan and the Ag Pool's Rules and Regulations as appropriate to reflect the pattern and practices of the Pool. These documents should be brought by motion to the Court pursuant to the Judgment and to the June 2019 pool meetings in advance of any Court action.

Motion by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, seconded by Ms. Carol Boyd and by unanimous vote
Moved to approve the action as shown above.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Feenstra adjourned the Agricultural Pool meeting at 3:48 p.m.

Secretary: _____

Approved: _____ June 12, 2019