# MINUTES CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER AGRICULTURAL POOL MEETING

June 12, 2019

The Agricultural Pool meeting was held at the offices of Chino Basin Watermaster located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA and via conference call using the Chino Basin Watermaster conference call number on June 12, 2019.

# AGRICULTURAL POOL MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Feenstra, Chair Dairy
Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair Crops

Pete Hall
Marilyn Levin for Carol Boyd
Bob Page
State of California – CIM
State of California – DOJ
County of San Bernardino
State of California – CIM/CDCR

Henry De Haan Dairy
Ron LaBrucherie, Jr. Crops
Nathan deBoom Dairy

# WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Gino Filippi Appropriative Pool – Minor Representative

Paul Hofer Crops

# **WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT**

Peter Kavounas General Manager
Joseph Joswiak Chief Financial Officer

Edgar Tellez Foster Senior Environmental Engineer

Anna Nelson Executive Services Director/Board Clerk
Frank Yoo Water Resources Senior Associate

# WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Brad Herrema Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

Veva Weamer Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.

# WATERMASTER CONSULTANT PRESENT ON CALL

Andy Malone Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.

# OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Tracy Egoscue Law Group, Inc.

Richard Rees Wood plc

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# **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Feenstra called the Agricultural Pool meeting to order at 1:39 p.m.

#### AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER

None

# I. CONSENT CALENDAR

#### A. MINUTES

Approve as presented:

1. Minutes of the Agricultural Pool Meeting held on May 13, 2019

# **B. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Receive and file as presented:

- 1. Cash Disbursements for the month of April 2019
- 2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of April 2019
- 3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019
- 4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period April 1, 2019 through April 30, 2019
- 5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019

# C. APPLICATION FOR RECHARGE – FONTANA WATER COMPANY (MAR)

Recommend Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve Fontana Water Company's Application for Recharge and direct Watermaster staff to account for this supplemental water recharged in Fontana Water Company's existing Local Supplemental Storage account.

# D. APPLICATION FOR RECHARGE – FONTANA WATER COMPANY (VULCAN)

Recommend Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve Fontana Water Company's Application for Recharge and direct Watermaster staff to account for this supplemental water recharged in Fontana Water Company's existing Local Supplemental Storage account.

# E. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR LOCAL STORAGE AGREEMENTS – OVERLYING (NON-AGRICULTURAL) POOL

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend the Watermaster Board to approve the storage agreements.

(0:01:30) Vice-Chair Pierson requested Consent Calendar Items I.C. and I.D. be pulled for separate discussion.

(0:02:10)

Motion by Mr. Ron LaBrucherie, Jr., seconded by Mr. Nathan deBoom and by unanimous vote.

Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, excluding Items I.C. and I.D.

(0:02:31) Vice-Chair Pierson asked Mr. Kavounas for an explanation on Consent Calendar Items I.C. and I.D.

(0:03:07) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:09:40)

Motion by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. Ron LaBrucherie, Jr. and by unanimous vote.

Moved to approve Consent Calendar Items I.C. and I.D. as presented.

(0:11:10) The Pool convened into confidential session.

(0:11:47) Ms. Weamer gave a presentation on Item III.B.1., the State of the Basin Report on Water Quality, which was taken out of order, before Business Item II.A, and is noted in sequence below.

# II. BUSINESS ITEMS

# A. RULES AND REGULATIONS 2019 UPDATE

Offer advice and assistance to the Advisory Committee.

(0:35:12) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:36:28) Ms. Egoscue offered the following advice on behalf of the Pool:

1. The Pool would like the Advisory Committee to consider a more regular update of the Rules and Regulations, and the Pool would like for that commitment to be reflected in the Rules and Regulations.

2. The Pool would like the Advisory Committee to consider an amendment to the Rules and Regulations, a redline, to reflect that the Storage Management Plan is being drafted and that when it is final the requirements will be placed into the Rules and Regulations on a timely basis.

(0:37:50) Vice-Chair Pierson suggested that updates to the Rules and Regulations should be done no less than every two years.

#### B. REVISED 2014/15 AND 2015/16 ASSESSMENT PACKAGES

Recommend Advisory Committee approval of the Revised 2014/15 and 2015/16 Assessment Packages along with the assessment of Desalter Replenishment Obligation.

(0:38:18) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:42:03)

Motion by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. Nathan deBoom and by unanimous vote **Moved to approve Business Item II.B. as presented.** 

#### C. 2018 PRADO BASIN HABITAT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

Recommend Advisory Committee to recommend the Watermaster Board to receive and file.

(0:42:45) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:43:57)

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

# D. TOLLING AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE OVERLYING (AGRICULTURAL) POOL COMMITTEE AND THE APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE

(0:44:20) Mr. Kavounas stated that Business Item II.D. was added to the agenda at the Pool's request. A discussion ensued.

(0:44:48)

Motion by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. Nathan deBoom and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve the Tolling Agreement between the Overlying (Agricultural) Pool

Committee and the Appropriative Pool.

#### **E. OLD BUSINESS**

None

# III. REPORTS/UPDATES

# A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

1. June 7, 2019 Hearing

(0:45:12) Mr. Herrema gave a report.

#### **B. ENGINEER REPORT**

- State of the Basin Report Water Quality
- 2. Pomona Extensometer Update

(0:11:47) Ms. Weamer gave a presentation on a portion of the State of the Basin Report on Water Quality. A discussion ensued.

(0:46:15) Mr. Malone gave a report. A discussion ensued.

#### C. CFO REPORT

1. Upcoming FY 2018/19 Budget Amendment

(0:49:48) Mr. Joswiak gave a report.

#### D. GM REPORT

- 1. Status Report: OBMP Update
- 2. Status Report: Storage Management Plan
- 3. Status Report: Revised Assessment Package Process
- 4. 2020 Safe Yield Reset
- 5. Ely 3 Basin
- 6. Other

(0:53:44) Mr. Tellez Foster gave a report on Item III.D.1.

(0:54:38) Mr. Kavounas offered additional information on Item III.D.1., reported on Item III.D.2., and stated that there was nothing further to report for Item III.D.3.

(0:56:28) Ms. Nelson gave a report on Item III.D.4, and stated that Wildermuth Environmental, Inc. will be hosting a Technical Peer Review Meeting at their offices on either July 22, July 23, or July 24, 2019. Interested parties should coordinate directly with Ms. Nelson. A discussion ensued.

(0:59:20) Mr. Kavounas stated that there was nothing new to report for Item III.D.5.

(0:59:40) Chair Feenstra commended Mr. Tellez Foster on his efforts with Watermaster.

#### IV. <u>INFORMATION</u>

1. Cash Disbursements for May 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 1:51 p.m. to discuss the June 7, 2019 Hearing, Rules and Regulations, Strategic Planning and Overlying Water Rights and Recycled Water Use. Ms. Egoscue announced that confidential session concluded at 2:51 p.m. with no reportable action.

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Approved:	July 11, 2019		