

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

April 9, 2020

The Agricultural Pool meeting was held by GoToMeeting (conference call and web meeting) on April 9, 2020.

**AGRICULTURAL POOL MEMBERS PRESENT ON CALL**

Bob Feenstra, Chair	Dairy
Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair	Crops
Ron LaBrucherie, Jr.	Crops
Henry De Haan	Dairy
Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel	Dairy
Nathan deBoom	Dairy
John Huitsing	Dairy
Ron Pietersma	Dairy
Bob Page	County of San Bernardino
Carol Boyd	State of California – CIM
Pete Hall	State of California – CIM
Jimmy Medrano	State of California – CIM

**WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT AT WATERMASTER**

Peter Kavounas	General Manager
Janine Wilson	Senior Accountant
Vanessa Aldaz	Administrative Assistant

**WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT ON CALL**

Joseph Joswiak	Chief Financial Officer
Edgar Tellez Foster	Water Resources Mgmt. and Planning Dir.
Anna Nelson	Executive Services Director
Justin Nakano	Water Resources Technical Manager

**WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT ON CALL**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT ON CALL**

Paul Hofer	Crops
Tracy Egoscue	Egoscue Law Group, Inc.
Marilyn Levin	State of California - DOJ
Tamer Ahmed	State of California – CDCR
Richard Rees	Wood plc
Gino Filippi	Crops

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-Chair Pierson called the Agricultural Pool meeting to order at 1:48 p.m. on behalf of Chair Feenstra who was experiencing technical difficulties.

(0:03:46) Ms. Nelson conducted the roll call.

**AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER**

The Agricultural Pool took its Confidential Session as a Special Meeting at 12:30 p.m. as shown under Item VII, Confidential Session, below.

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Note: 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 Agricultural Pool Meeting held on March 12, 2020

**B. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Receive and file as presented:

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of February 2020
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of February 2020
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2019 through February 29, 2020
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period February 1, 2020 through February 29, 2020
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2019 through February 29, 2020
6. Cash Disbursements for March 2020 (Information Only)

**C. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION**

Provide advice and assistance to the Watermaster Board on the proposed transaction:

The transfer of 7,500.0 acre-feet of water from Cucamonga Valley Water District to Fontana Water Company. This transfer is made from Cucamonga Valley Water District's Annual Production Right. Date of application: February 25, 2020.

**D. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION**

Provide advice and assistance to the Watermaster Board on the proposed transaction:

The transfer of 1,000.0 acre-feet of water from Santa Ana River Water Company to Fontana Water Company. This transfer is made from Santa Ana River Water Company's Annual Production Right. Date of application: February 21, 2020.

(0:06:44) A motion was introduced by Vice-Chair Pierson.

(0:08:44) A roll call vote was taken.

*Motion by Vice-Chair Pierson, seconded by Ms. Carol Boyd, and by unanimous roll call vote  
**Moved to approve Consent Calendar Items I.A. – I.D. as presented.***

**II. BUSINESS ITEMS****A. CONSIDERATION OF 2020 STORAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Recommend Advisory Committee support Watermaster Board approval of the 2020 Storage Management Final Report Section 2.1-2.6 as the Storage Management Plan providing direction for the preparation of the required documentation.

(0:12:38) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(1:05:00) Motion was introduced by Mr. LaBrucherie, Jr.

(1:07:24) A roll call vote was taken.

*Motion by Mr. Ron LaBrucherie, Jr., seconded by Ms. Carol Boyd, and by unanimous roll call vote  
**Motion to recommend to the Advisory Committee that action on the Storage Management Plan be postponed and that this item be brought back before the Ag Pool at the next meeting.***

**B. 2020 SAFE YIELD RECALCULATION**

Offer advice and assistance to Watermaster.

(1:08:32) Messrs. Kavounas and Wildermuth gave a presentation. A discussion ensued.

(1:45:00) Motion was introduced by Mr. Pietersma.

(1:50:54) A roll call vote was taken.

*Motion by Mr. Ron Pietersma, seconded by Mr. Ron LaBrucherie, Jr., and by unanimous roll call vote*

***The Ag Pool requests additional time to consider and ask questions of the Watermaster Engineer and Watermaster staff regarding the Safe Yield Reset, and further requests that this item be brought back to the Pool during a subsequent meeting for further consideration in advance of Watermaster Board approval.***

**C. OLD BUSINESS**

(1:52:21) In response to a list of questions that was given to Watermaster at last month's Agricultural Pool Meeting, Mr. Kavounas offered to either go over the answers with the members of the Pool or distribute them. The Pool elected to review the answers on their own time.

**III. REPORTS/UPDATES**

**A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

1. San Bernardino County Superior Court Emergency Order
2. June 26, 2020 Hearing

(1:54:10) Mr. Herrema gave a report. A discussion ensued.

**B. ENGINEER REPORT**

1. Maximum Benefit Annual Report
2. Annual Report of the Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee
3. SGMA Annual Reporting

(1:55:44) Mr. Malone gave a presentation regarding Item B.1., the Maximum Benefit Annual Report and reported on Items B.2. and B.3.

**C. CFO REPORT**

None

**D. GM REPORT**

1. OBMP Implementation Plan Update
2. OAP Contest status
3. Water Rights Permit Reporting/SB88 Compliance
4. Other

(2:07:22) Mr. Kavounas gave a report and invited Mr. Tellez Foster to report on Item D.3.

(2:13:57) Mr. Tellez Foster gave a report on Item D.3., the Water Rights Permit Reporting/SB88 Compliance.

**IV. INFORMATION**

1. Ground-Level Monitoring Committee Semi-Annual Status Report
2. Chino Airport and South Archibald Plumes Semi-Annual Status Reports

**V. POOL DISCUSSION**

1. Chairman's Update
2. Pool Member Comments

(2:16:38) Ms. Levin asked a question regarding the SEIR 45-day comment period related to the CEQA process for the OBMP Update. A discussion ensued.

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

**VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION**

A Confidential Session may be held during the Pool Committee meeting for the purpose of discussion and possible action.

Chair Feenstra called for a confidential session at 12:30 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. June 26, 2020 Pooling Plan Hearing
2. Safe Yield Recalculation
3. Storage Contest

(2:18:09) Confidential session concluded at 1:36 p.m. with no reportable action.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Feenstra adjourned the Agricultural Pool meeting at 4:08 p.m.

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

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ May 14, 2020

Attachment: 20200409 Agricultural Pool Meeting – Roll Call Vote Outcome

**April 9, 2020 Agricultural Pool Meeting Roll Call Votes**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Alternate</b>	<b>I.A.-I.D.</b>	<b>II.A.</b>	<b>II.B.</b>
Feenstra, Robert, Chair		yes	yes	yes
Pierson, Jeff, Vice-Chair		yes	yes	yes
LaBrucherie, Jr., Ron		yes	yes	yes
Vanden Heuvel, Geoffrey		yes	yes	yes
deBoom, Nathan		yes	yes	yes
Huitsing, John		yes	yes	yes
DeHaan, Henry		yes	yes	yes
Pietersma, Ron		yes	yes	yes
Page, Bob		yes	yes	yes
Boyd, Carol		yes	yes	yes
Hall, Pete		yes	yes	yes
Medrano, Jimmy		yes	yes	yes
	<b>OUTCOME:</b>	<b>Passed Unanimously</b>	<b>Passed Unanimously</b>	<b>Passed Unanimously</b>