

MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEETING
August 11, 2022

The Agricultural Pool committee meeting was held at the Watermaster offices located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, and via Zoom (conference call and web meeting) on August 11, 2022.

AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Bob Feenstra, Chair	Dairy
Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair	Crops
Gino Filippi for Ron LaBrucherie, Jr.	Crops

AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Steven Raughley	County of San Bernardino
Ruben Llamas	Crops
Nathan deBoom	Dairy
Henry DeHaan	Dairy
John Huitsing	Dairy
Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel	Dairy
Pete Hall	State of California – CIM
Jimmy Medrano	State of California – CIM
Marilyn Levin for Tariq Awan	State of California – DOJ

WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas	General Manager
Edgar Tellez Foster	Water Resources Mgmt. and Planning Dir.
Anna Nelson	Director of Administration
Justin Nakano	Water Resources Technical Manager
Frank Yoo	Data Services and Judgment Reporting Mgr.
Denise Morales	Executive Assistant II/Board Clerk
Janine Wilson	Senior Accountant
Ruby Favela	Administrative Assistant
David Huynh	Senior Field Operations Specialist
Alonso Jurado	Senior Field Operations Specialist

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Brad Herrema	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
Andy Malone	West Yost

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Garrett Rapp	West Yost
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OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Tracy Egoscue	Egoscue Law Group, Inc.
Joel Ignacio	Inland Empire Utilities Agency

OTHERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Natalie Avila	City of Chino
Amanda Coker	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Jason Marseilles	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Craig Stewart	Wood plc

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Feenstra called the Agricultural Pool committee meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

(0:00:24) Ms. Morales conducted the roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER

None

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 Committee Meeting held June 9, 2022

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of May 2022
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of May 2022
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period May 1, 2022 through May 31, 2022
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022
6. Cash Disbursements for the month of June 2022
7. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of June 2022
8. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022
9. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period June 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022
10. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022
11. Cash Disbursements for July 2022 (Information Only)

C. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION

Provide advice and assistance to the Advisory Committee on the proposed transaction:

The purchase of 708.3 acre-feet of water from West End Consolidated Water Company by City of Upland. This purchase is made from West End Consolidated Water Company's Excess Carryover Account. City of Upland is utilizing this transaction to produce its West End Consolidated Water Company shares. [Within WM Duties and Powers]

D. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION

Provide advice and assistance to the Advisory Committee on the proposed transaction:

The purchase of 66.4 acre-feet of water from West End Consolidated Water Company by Golden State Water Company. This purchase is made from West End Consolidated Water Company's Annual Production Right. Golden State Water Company is utilizing this transaction to produce its West End Consolidated Water Company shares. [Within WM Duties and Powers]

E. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION

Provide advice and assistance to the Advisory Committee on the proposed transaction:

The purchase of 440 acre-feet of water from City of Upland by Golden State Water Company. This purchase is made from City of Upland's Annual Production Right. [Within WM Duties and Powers]

F. CHINO CREEK WELL FIELD EXTENSOMETER LAND LEASE EXTENSION

Recommend to Advisory Committee to authorize Watermaster to give notice of intent and extend the Land Lease Agreement. [Advisory Committee Approval Required]

(0:03:23) A roll call vote was taken.

Motion by Vice-Chair Pierson, seconded by Steven Raughley and passed by unanimous roll call vote as attached to these minutes.

Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. SECOND AMENDMENT TO TASK ORDER NO. 9 UNDER THE MASTER AGREEMENT FOR COLLABORATIVE RECHARGE PROJECTS (PROJECT 23a)

Recommend Advisory Committee approval of the Second Amendment to Task Order No. 9 to increase the total budgeted cost.

(0:06:21) Mr. Kavounas introduced Mr. Joel Ignacio of the Inland Empire Utilities Agency who gave a presentation. A discussion ensued.

(0:25:02) A roll call vote was taken.

Motion by Vice-Chair Pierson, seconded by Mr. Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel and passed by unanimous roll call vote as attached to these minutes.

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

B. OLD BUSINESS

None

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. LEGAL COUNSEL

1. San Bernardino County Superior Court Emergency Order
2. August 31, 2022 Hearing
3. Governor's Executive Order N-7-22
4. Kaiser Permanente Lawsuit

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

B. ENGINEER

1. Safe Yield Reset Methodology Update
2. Chino Basin Maximum Benefit SNMP

(0:31:35) Mr. Malone asked Mr. Rapp to give an update on Item 1. Mr. Malone gave a report on Item 2 and announced that a fuller presentation on the Maximum Benefit SNMP will likely be given in October. A discussion ensued.

C. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. FY 2020/21 Audit of Groundwater Recharge Basin O&M Expenses

(0:50:43) Ms. Wilson gave a report on behalf of Mr. Joswiak.

D. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Supplemental Water Tracking
2. July 28, 2022 Board Workshop: OBMP
3. 2020 OBMP Environmental Review
4. Other

(0:54:11) Mr. Kavounas invited Mr. Nakano to presentation of the flow charts related to supplemental water tracking under Item 1. Mr. Kavounas gave a report on Item 2 and informed the Pool that Watermaster plans to hold a 2020 OBMP Workshop on September 1, 2022, at 1:00 pm to advance the CEQA Environmental Review process. Chair Feenstra and Vice-Chair Pierson complimented Mr. Tellez Foster on his efforts related to the Board workshops. Mr. Kavounas gave a report on Item 3 and also thanked Ms. Nelson for putting together the Robert's Rules of Order Workshop on July 27, 2022, and indicated that it was a success. A discussion ensued.

IV. POOL DISCUSSION

1. Chairman's Update
2. Pool Member Comments

(1:25:54) Mr. Vanden Heuvel spoke about the Governor's recent press conference.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VI. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

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


The Pool convened into Confidential Session at 3:02 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. Progress of Settlement Agreement with AP
 - a. Financial Arrangement with AP
2. Water Transfers
3. Safe Yield

Confidential Session concluded at 3:24 p.m. with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Feenstra adjourned the Agricultural Pool committee meeting at 3:24 p.m. (See adjournment time as provided by email below)

Secretary: 

Approved: September 8, 2022

Attachments:

1. 20220811 Agricultural Pool Meeting (Roll Call Vote Outcome for Consent Calendar)
2. 20220811 Agricultural Pool Meeting (Roll Call Vote Outcome for Business Item II.A.)
3. 20220811 Agricultural Pool Meeting (Adjournment Email from Pool Counsel)

ATTACHMENT 1

20220811 Roll Call Vote Outcome

Member	Alternate	Consent Calendar
LaBrucherie, Jr., Ron		Absent
Pierson, Jeff, Vice-Chair		Yes
deBoom, Nathan*		Yes
DeHaan, Henry *		Yes
Huitsing, John**		See below
Pietersma, Ron		Absent
Vanden Heuvel, Geoffrey*		Yes
Raughley, Steven*		Yes
Levin, Marilyn for Awan, Tariq*	Yes	
Hall, Pete*		Yes
Medrano, Jimmy*		Yes
Feenstra, Bob - Chair		Yes
	OUTCOME:	Passed Unanimously by those present

*Participated via Zoom

**John Huitsing was having audio problems and did not vote.

ATTACHMENT 2

20220811 Roll Call Vote Outcome

Member	Alternate	Business Item II.A.
LaBrucherie, Jr., Ron		Absent
Pierson, Jeff, Vice-Chair		Yes
deBoom, Nathan*		Yes
DeHaan, Henry *		Yes
Huitsing, John*		Yes
Pietersma, Ron		Absent
Vanden Heuvel, Geoffrey*		Yes
Raughley, Steven*		Yes
Levin, Marilyn for Awan, Tariq*	Yes	
Hall, Pete*		Yes
Medrano, Jimmy*		Yes
Feenstra, Bob - Chair		Yes
	OUTCOME:	Passed Unanimously by those present

*Participated via Zoom

ATTACHMENT 3

From: [Tracy Egoscue](#)
To: [Denise Morales](#); [Anna Nelson](#)
Subject: Ag Pool
Date: Thursday, August 11, 2022 3:25:16 PM
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Closed Session ended at 3:24 pm with no reportable action.

No need to reopen the public meeting.

Thank you.

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