

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

August 10, 2023

The Agricultural Pool Committee meeting was held at the Chino Basin Watermaster offices located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, and via Zoom (conference call and web meeting) on August 10, 2023.

AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Bob Feenstra, Chair	Dairy
Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair	Crops
Gino Filippi for Ron Pietersma	Crops
Steven Raughley	County of San Bernardino
Jimmy Medrano	State of California – CDCR

AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Ruben Llamas	Crops
Ron LaBrucherie, Jr.	Crops
Henry DeHaan	Dairy
John Huitsing	Dairy
Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel for Nathan deBoom	Dairy
Tariq Awan	State of California – CDCR
Diana Frederick for Leon Kazandjian	State of California – CDCR

WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas	General Manager
Joe Joswiak	Chief Financial Officer
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.
Alexandria Moore	Executive Assistant I/Board Clerk
Ruby Favela	Administrative Analyst
Kelli Hills	Office Specialist/Receptionist
Alonso Jurado	Water Resource Associate

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Bob Kuhn	Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Mike Gardner	Western Municipal Water District

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Andy Malone	West Yost
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WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Brad Herrema	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
Sodavy Ou	West Yost
Garrett Rapp	West Yost
Lauren Sather	West Yost

OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Tracy Egoscue	Egoscue Law Group, Inc.
Richard Rees	WSP USA

OTHERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Carol Boyd	State of California – DOJ
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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Feenstra called the Agricultural Pool Committee meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

ROLL CALL

(0:00:05) Ms. Moore conducted the roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER

None

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

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 on June 8, 2023
2. Minutes of the Agricultural Pool Committee Special Meeting held on June 23, 2023

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of May 2023
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of May 2023
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period May 1, 2023 through May 31, 2023
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023
6. Cash Disbursements for the month of June 2023
7. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of June 2023
8. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
9. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period June 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023
10. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023
11. Cash Disbursements for July 2023 (Information Only)

C. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – CITY OF UPLAND TO GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

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

D. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – WEST END CONSOLIDATED WATER COMPANY TO GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

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

(0:02:44)

Motion by Vice-Chair Jeff Pierson, seconded by Mr. 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. WATERMASTER AMENDED AND RESTATED LEASE AGREEMENT

Provide advice and assistance.

(0:06:36) Ms. Nelson gave a report. A discussion ensued.

B. OLD BUSINESS

None

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. WATERMASTER LEGAL COUNSEL

1. August 4, 2023 Hearing (City of Ontario Motion re 2022-23 Assessment Package; Court Tour of Chino Basin)
2. Court Tour of Chino Basin
3. Court of Appeal Case No. E079052 (City of Chino, MVIC, MVWD, City of Ontario appeal re OAP Expenses and Attorney Fees)
4. Court of Appeal Case No. E080457 (City of Ontario appeal re 2021-22 Assessment Package)
5. Court of Appeal Case No. E080533 (Cities of Chino, Ontario appeal re 2022-23 Watermaster budget expenses to support CEQA analysis)
6. Kaiser Permanente Lawsuit

(00:16:41) Mr. Herrema gave a report. A discussion ensued.

B. ENGINEER

1. 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation
2. Board-Requested Recharge Project Analysis
3. Ground-Level Monitoring Committee
4. 2022 State of the Basin Report

(0:23:28) Mr. Rapp gave a report on items 1 and 2, Mr. Malone gave a report on item 3 and invited Ms. Sather and Ms. Ou to give a presentation on item 4. A discussion ensued.

C. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

None

D. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Long Term Planning Efforts
2. Other

(1:13:56) Mr. Kavounas gave a presentation on item 1, he explained the long term planning efforts is to capture the next three years for non-routine meetings that require active engagement from all stakeholders. A discussion ensued. He invited Mr. Ignacio of IEUA to give a report on proposed changes to the RMPU Project 23a indicating that work will need to proceed in September and the item will be brought to the Advisory Committee next week for direction.

IV. POOL DISCUSSION

1. Chairman's Update
2. Pool Member Comments

None

V. OTHER BUSINESS

None

IV. 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 3:00 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. Discussion of Local Issues
2. August 4, 2023 Hearing
3. Water Supply for Members of Appropriative Pool

Confidential session concluded at 3:46 p.m. with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:46 p.m. as shown in Attachment 2 below.

Secretary: 

Approved: September 14, 2023

Attachments:

1. 20230810 Roll Call Vote Outcome for Consent Calendar
2. 20230810 Email from Pool Counsel adjourning the meeting

ATTACHMENT 1

20230810 Roll Call Vote Outcome

Member	Alternate	Consent Calendar
LaBrucherie, Jr., Ron		Absent
Pierson, Jeff, Vice-Chair		Yes
deBoom, Nathan		Absent
DeHaan, Henry*		Yes
Huitsing, John*		Yes
Pietersma, Ron		Absent
Llamas, Ruben*		Yes
Raughley, Steven		Yes
Awan, Tariq*		Yes
Diana Frederick for Kazandjian, Leon*		Yes
Medrano, Jimmy		Yes
Feenstra, Bob - Chair		Yes
	OUTCOME:	Passed Unanimously by those present

*Participated via Zoom

Alexandria Moore

From: Tracy Egoscue <tracy@egoscuelaw.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2023 3:46 PM
To: Alexandria Moore
Cc: Anna Nelson
Subject: Re: Agricultural Pool Committee - Zoom Access for Confidential Session for August 10, 2023 Ag Pool Meeting

The Ag Pool closed session ended at 3:44pm with no reportable action.

Thank you.

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From: Alexandria Moore <amoore@cbwm.org>
Date: Tuesday, August 8, 2023 at 9:03 AM
To:
Subject: Agricultural Pool Committee - Zoom Access for Confidential Session for August 10, 2023 Ag Pool Meeting

Dear Agricultural Pool Members/Alternates:

The below Zoom access is provided to you by Pool Counsel for use during confidential session for Thursday afternoon's Ag Pool meeting:

- Join Zoom Meeting by pc/smart device: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89148550209?pwd=S2MwMERBZHQvcnM1Y2lBTzRGRWxFQT09>
- Join by phone: 1 (669) 444 9171

Meeting ID: 891 4855 0209
Passcode: 160067

Kind Regards,
Alex

Alexandria Moore
Executive Assistant I/Board Clerk

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