

MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
ANNUAL APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEETING

January 14, 2021

The Annual Appropriative Pool meeting was held by GoToMeeting (conference call and web meeting) on January 14, 2021.

APPROPRIATIVE POOL MEMBERS PRESENT

John Bosler, Chair	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Scott Burton, Vice-Chair	City of Ontario
Dave Crosley	City of Chino
Ron Craig	City of Chino Hills
Chris Diggs	City of Pomona
Steven Ledbetter for Rosemary Hoerning	City of Upland
Josh Swift	Fontana Union Water Company
Cris Fealy	Fontana Water Company
Ben Lewis	Golden State Water Company
Chris Berch	Jurupa Community Services District
Justin Scott-Coe	Monte Vista Irrigation Company
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Cris Fealy	Nicholson Family Trust
Todd Minten	Santa Ana River Water Company
Steven Ledbetter for Rosemary Hoerning	West End Consolidated Water Company
Todd Minten	Santa Ana River Water Company

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT ON CALL

Bob Kuhn	Three Valleys Municipal Water District
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WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT ON CALL

Peter Kavounas	General Manager
Joseph Joswiak	Chief Financial Officer
Edgar Tellez Foster	Water Resources Mgmt. & Planning Dir.
Anna Nelson	Executive Services Director
Justin Nakano	Water Resources Technical Manager
Frank Yoo	Water Resources Senior Associate
Janine Wilson	Senior Accountant
Vanessa Aldaz	Administrative Assistant

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT ON CALL

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

OTHERS PRESENT ON CALL

Amanda Coker	City of Chino
Eunice Ulloa	City of Chino
Courtney Jones	City of Ontario
Luis Cetina	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Eduardo Espinoza	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Praseetha Krishnan	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Randall Reed	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Jiwon Seung	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Joshua Aguilar	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Joel Ignacio	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Sylvie Lee	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Christina Valencia	Inland Empire Utilities Agency

(0:10:56)

Motion by Mr. Justin Scott-Coe, seconded by Mr. Ben Lewis, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve San Antonio Water Company as Minor Representative 1 to serve on the Advisory Committee for calendar year 2021.

(0:11:36)

Motion by Mr. Steven Ledbetter, seconded by Mr. Ben Lewis, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Monte Vista Irrigation Company as Minor Representative 2 to serve on the Advisory Committee for calendar year 2021.

C. Calendar Year 2021 Appropriative Pool Member Appointed to Serve as Advisory Committee Officer

Appoint a designated representative to serve as an officer of the Advisory Committee during Calendar Year 2021. According to the rotation sequence established among the Pools, the Appropriative Pool appointee will be filling the position of Vice-Chair.

Appropriative Pool Officer (Vice-Chair) Appointment to the Advisory Committee:

Chris Diggs

(0:13:04)

Motion by Mr. Scott Burton, seconded by Mr. Ron Craig, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Mr. Chris Diggs to serve as Vice-Chair on the Advisory Committee for calendar year 2021.

D. Calendar Year 2021 Appropriative Pool Representation on the Watermaster Board (Information Only)

According to the Board rotation schedule filed with the Court in 2000 and updated on November 17, 2015, the Appropriator listed below have a seat on the Watermaster Board in Calendar Years 2021 and 2022, and have appointed a representative and alternate for Calendar Year 2021 as shown below:

Jurupa Community Services District

New Member: Betty Folsom

Alternate: Jane Anderson

(0:14:00) Chair Bosler announced the incoming Board member and alternate for calendar year 2021.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES

Approve as presented:

1. Minutes of the Appropriative Pool Meeting held November 12, 2020
2. Minutes of the Appropriative Pool Special Meeting held December 10, 2020
3. Minutes of the Appropriative Pool Special Meeting held December 14, 2020
4. Minutes of the Appropriative Pool Special Meeting held December 17, 2020

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of October 2020
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of October 2020
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2020 through October 31, 2020
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period October 1, 2020 through October 31, 2020
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2020 through October 31, 2020
6. Cash Disbursements for the month of November 2020

7. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of November 2020
8. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2020 through November 30, 2020
9. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period November 1, 2020 through November 30, 2020
10. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2020 through November 30, 2020
11. Cash Disbursements for December 2020 (Information Only)

C. CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER INVESTMENT POLICY

Recommend that the Advisory Committee recommends approval of Resolution 2021-01 – Resolution of the Chino Basin Watermaster, San Bernardino County, California, Re-Authorizing the Watermaster's Investment Policy.

D. LOCAL AGENCY INVESTMENT FUND

Recommend that the Advisory Committee recommends approval of Resolution 2021-02 – Resolution Authorizing Investment of Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF).

E. CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER 43rd ANNUAL REPORT (FISCAL YEAR 2019/20)

Recommend that the Advisory Committee recommend to the Watermaster Board to adopt the 43rd Annual Report, along with filing a copy with the Court, subject to any necessary non-substantive changes.

Item taken separately under Business Items.

F. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION

Provide advice and assistance to the Watermaster Board on the proposed transaction: The purchase of 1,000.0 acre-feet of water from West Valley Water District by Cucamonga Valley Water District. This purchase is made from West Valley Water District's Excess Carryover Account. Date of application: November 9, 2020.

G. APPLICATION: LOCAL STORAGE AGREEMENTS – APPROPRIATIVE POOL

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve the application for local storage agreements as presented.

H. APPLICATION: RECHARGE

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve Jurupa Community Service District's Application for Recharge and direct Watermaster staff to account for this recharge.

I. RICHARD ANDERSON OVERLYING (AGRICULTURAL) POOL INTERVENTION REQUEST

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend Watermaster filing the request for intervention with the Court.

(0:15:14)

Motion by Mr. Justin Scott-Coe, seconded by Mr. Chris Berch, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented with the exception of Consent Calendar Item II.E., Chino Basin Watermaster 43rd Annual Report (Fiscal Year 2019/20), which will be taken under Business Items.

III. BUSINESS ITEMS

Consent Calendar Item II.E., Chino Basin Watermaster 43rd Annual Report (Fiscal Year 2019/20), was pulled from the Consent Calendar and moved to Business Items since staff received suggested revisions.

(0:16:06) Mr. Kavounas invited Mr. Nakano to give a report on the suggested edits to the Chino Basin Watermaster 43rd Annual Report.

(0:16:21) Mr. Nakano gave a report on the comments that have been received by various parties.

(0:19:53)

Motion by Mr. Chris Berch, seconded by Mr. Cris Fealy, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Consent Calendar Item II.E., Chino Basin Watermaster 43rd Annual Report (Fiscal Year 2019/2020) with proposed edits.

IV. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. LEGAL COUNSEL

1. San Bernardino County Superior Court Emergency Order
2. Motion of Appropriative Pool Member Agencies Re: Agricultural Pool Legal and Other Expenses
3. January 8, 2021 Court Update on 2020 OBMP Status
4. Kaiser Lawsuit

(0:20:28) Mr. Herrema gave a report. A discussion ensued.

B. ENGINEER

1. Local Storage Limitation Solution

(0:25:44) Mr. Malone gave a report.

C. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. RMPU Financing Options
2. FY 2020/21 Assessment Package Payments Status
3. Upcoming FY 2020/21 Mid-Year Review

(0:27:18) Mr. Joswiak introduced Ms. Christina Valencia from Inland Empire Utilities Agency to give a presentation on the RMPU Financing Options.

(0:27:55) Ms. Valencia gave a presentation. A discussion ensued.

(1:02:52) Mr. Joswiak continued with the rest of the CFO Report.

D. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Exhibit "G" Physical Solution Transfers
2. Calendar Year 2021 Letters of CBWM Representation
3. Status of Replenishment Water Delivery
4. Hearing Officer Panel Additions/Removals
5. Other

(1:05:26) Mr. Kavounas introduced Ms. Nelson who gave a report on the Exhibit "G" Physical Solution Transfers.

(1:07:37) Ms. Nelson gave a report on the Calendar Year 2021 Letters of CBWM Representation. A discussion ensued.

(1:09:05) Mr. Kavounas introduced Mr. Nakano who gave a report on the Status of Replenishment Water Delivery.

(1:10:37) Ms. Nelson gave a report on the 2021 Hearing Officer Panel.

(1:12:05) Mr. Kavounas introduced Mr. Tellez Foster who gave a report on an Ontario well and related permit that is being proposed to be transferred to Watermaster for monitoring.

(1:14:33) Mr. Kavounas added a status update on a review of Water Use Efficiency standards that Watermaster is working on with the Inland Empire Utilities Agency. The Pool can expect to hear additional information presented by Watermaster and IEUA next week at the Advisory Committee meeting. A discussion ensued.

(1:18:56) Mr. Kavounas provided a brief update on the efforts to develop an Integrated Santa Ana River Model.

(1:19:45) Mr. Kavounas reminded the Pool that Watermaster has been working on the development of a new website and announced that official roll out date for the website is February 1, 2021 with a demonstration next week at the Advisory Committee meeting.

V. INFORMATION

1. Notice of Intent Regarding the Determination of Operating Safe Yield
2. Recharge Investigations and Projects Committee (RIPCom)

VI. POOL MEMBER COMMENTS

(1:20:40) Mr. Berch requested a groundwater recharge update and Mr. Kavounas informed the Pool that an update would be available at the Advisory Committee meeting next week.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION – POSSIBLE ACTION

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

Chair Bosler called for a confidential session at 10:21 a.m. to discuss the following:

1. OBMP Update – Implementation Plan Agreement

(1:22:03) Confidential session concluded at 11:55 a.m. with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bosler adjourned the Annual Appropriative Pool Committee meeting at 11:56 a.m.

Secretary: _____

Approved: _____ February 11, 2021