

MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEETING
June 8, 2023

The Appropriative 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 June 8, 2023.

APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Chris Diggs, Chair	City of Pomona
Chris Berch, Vice Chair	Jurupa Community Services District
Amanda Coker	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Dave Crosley	City of Chino
Marty Zvirbulis	Fontana Union Water Company
Cris Fealy	Fontana Water Company
Stephanie Reimer for Justin Scott-Coe	Monte Vista Irrigation Company
Stephanie Reimer for Justin Scott-Coe	Monte Vista Water District
Marty Zvirbulis	Nicholson Family Trust

APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Christopher Quach for Courtney Jones	City of Ontario
Braden Yu	City of Upland
Ben Lewis	Golden State Water Company
Brian Lee	San Antonio Water Company
John Lopez	Santa Ana River Water Company
Braden Yu	West End Consolidated Water Company

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

James Curatalo	Appropriative Pool – Minor Representative
Manny Martinez	Monte Vista Water District
Mike Gardner	Western Municipal Water District

WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas	General Manager
Joe Joswiak	Chief Financial Officer
Edgar Tellez Foster	Water Resources Mgmt. & 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 Quintero	Administrative Analyst
Kelli Hills	Office Specialist/Receptionist
David Huynh	Senior Field Operations Specialist
Alonso Jurado	Senior Field Operations Specialist

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Andy Malone	West Yost
Veva Weamer	West Yost

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Brad Herrema	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
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OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Natalie Avila	City of Chino
Melissa Cansino	City of Pomona

Jiwon Seung
Bryan Smith
Oscar Ramos

Cucamonga Valley Water District
Jurupa Community Services District
Fontana Water Company

OTHERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Nicole deMoet
Eduardo Espinoza
Tarren Alicia Torres
Derek Hoffman
Kevin O'Toole
Bill Wyatt
Jimmy Medrano
Nicole deMoet
Mallory Gandara

City of Upland
Cucamonga Valley Water District
Egoscue Law Group, Inc.
Fennemore Law
Orange County Water District
Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton
State of CA – CDCR
West End Consolidated Water Company
Western Municipal Water District

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Diggs called the Appropriative Pool Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

(0:00:09) 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 Appropriative Pool Committee Meeting held on May 16, 2023

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

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

C. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – NICHOLSON FAMILY TRUST TO FONTANA WATER COMPANY

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

D. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – SAN ANTONIO WATER COMPANY TO CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

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

E. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION - WEST END CONSOLIDATED WATER COMPANY TO CITY OF UPLAND

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

F. APPLICATION: LOCAL STORAGE AGREEMENT – APPROPRIATIVE POOL

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve the Application for Local Storage Agreement submitted on behalf of the Appropriative Pool members as presented.

G. 2022 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRADO BASIN HABITAT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

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

(0:02:27)

Motion by Ms. Amanda Coker, seconded by Mr. Marty Zvirbulis, there being no dissent, the item passed unanimously.

Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. TASK ORDER NO. 7 UNDER MASTER AGREEMENT FOR COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS: CHINO CREEK REACH 1B MONITORING PROGRAM

Recommend Advisory Committee approval of Task Order No. 7 as presented.

(0:03:01) Mr. Tellez Foster gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:08:07)

Motion by Ms. Amanda Coker, seconded by Mr. Chris Berch, there being no dissent, the item passed unanimously.

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

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

(0:08:26) Mr. Herrema gave a report. A discussion ensued.

B. ENGINEER

1. 2022 Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Committee Annual Report
2. Planning and Coordination on the EPA Proposed MCLs for PFAS

(0:11:59) Mr. Malone introduced Ms. Weamer to give a report. A discussion ensued.

C. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

1. FY 2022/23 Ongoing Auditing Activity by C.J. Brown & Company CPAs

(00:28:37) Mr. Joswiak gave a report. A discussion ensued.

D. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Recharge Activities
2. OBMP CEQA Update
3. Regional Reliability Study

4. Access to Watermaster Offices
5. July Meeting Schedule
6. Other

(0:33:42) Mr. Kavounas introduced Mr. Tellez Foster to give a report on items 1 and 2. Mr. Kavounas gave a report on regional reliability study indicating he will work with the three municipal water districts to create an IRP-like document that will help agencies write better UWMPs in the future and will provide input to the Storage and Recovery Master Plan. A discussion ensued. Under other, he mentioned that the unisex restrooms are in place for all to use. He also mentioned that Watermaster will again be dark in July and staff is available to assist with special meetings as needed.

IV. POOL MEMBER COMMENTS

None

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.

(0:51:00) The Pool convened into confidential session at 9:52 a.m. Chair Diggs mentioned that there will be no reportable action and that the meeting is concluded.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Diggs adjourned the Appropriative Pool Committee meeting at 9:52 a.m.

Secretary: 

Approved: August 10, 2023