# MINUTES CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEETING

September 14, 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 September 14, 2023.

#### APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Chris Diggs, Chair City of Pomona

Chris Berch, Vice-Chair Jurupa Community Services District

Courtney Jones City of Ontario

Amanda Coker Cucamonga Valley Water District

Dave Crosley City of Chino

Marty Zvirbulis Fontana Union Water Company

Cris Fealy Fontana Water Company

Justin Scott-Coe Monte Vista Irrigation Company
Justin Scott-Coe Monte Vista Water District
Marty Zvirbulis Nicholson Family Trust

#### APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Ron Craig City of Chino Hills
Braden Yu City of Upland

Ben Lewis Golden State Water Company
John Lopez Santa Ana River Water Company

Braden Yu West End Consolidated Water Company

# APPROPRIATIVE POOL COMMITTEE LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT ON ZOOM

John Schatz John J. Schatz, Attorney at Law

#### WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Jim Curatalo Appropriative Pool – Minor Representative

Manny Martinez

Mike Gardner

Bob Kuhn

Monte Vista Water District

Western Municipal Water District

Three Valleys Municipal Water District

# WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas General Manager

Edgar Tellez Foster Water Resources Mgmt. & Planning Dir.

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

Alonso Jurado

Jordan Garcia

Office Specialist/Receptionist

Water Resources Associate

Senior Field Operations Specialist

# WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Brad Herrema Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP

Andy Malone West Yost Carolina Sanchez West Yost

#### WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Scott Nelsen Eide Bailly
Lucy Hedley West Yost

# OTHERS PRESENT AT WATERMASTER

Melissa Cansino Jiwon Seung Oscar Ramos Bryan Smith City of Pomona Cucamonga Valley Water District Fontana Union Water District Jurupa Community Services District

# OTHERS PRESENT ON ZOOM

Natalie Avila Nicole deMoet Eduardo Espinoza

Rob Hills
Peter Dopulos
Shawnda Grady
Derek Hoffman
Brian Lee
Bill Wyat

David De Jesus Nicole deMoet Mallory Gandara City of Chino City of Upland

Cucamonga Valley Water District Cucamonga Valley Water District

Egoscue Law Group, Inc.

Ellison, Schneider, & Harris, LLP

Fennemore Law

San Antonio Water Company

Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton Three Valleys Municipal Water District 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**

(0:00:10) 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 August 10, 2023
- 2. Minutes of the Appropriative Pool Committee Special Meeting held on August 17, 2023

#### **B. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

The monthly financial reports are being redesigned and will be available next month.

#### C. OBMP SEMI-ANNUAL STATUS REPORT 2023-1

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to adopt the Semi-Annual OBMP status Report 2023-1, along with filing a copy with the Court, subject to any necessary non-substantive changes.

(0:02:25) Motion by Vice-Chair Berch, 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. 2023 RECHARGE MASTER PLAN UPDATE AND RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06

Recommend Approval of the 2023 RMPU as presented, adopt Resolution No. 2023 - 06

(0:03:37) Mr. Kavounas prefaced the item and introduced Ms. Sanchez to give a presentation. A discussion ensued.

#### B. BOARD-REQUESTED RECHARGE PROJECT ANALYSIS

Recommend Advisory Committee approval to move forward with gathering necessary information and documentation for each project to be considered grant-ready and prepare the Work Plan.

(0:19:36) Ms. Sanchez gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:33:39) Motion by Chair Diggs, seconded by Vice-Chair Berch, there being no dissent, the item passed unanimously.

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

#### III. REPORTS/UPDATES

# A. WATERMASTER LEGAL COUNSEL

- 1. Court Tour of Chino Basin
- 2. Court of Appeal Case No. E079052 (City of Chino, MVIC, MVWD, City of Ontario appeal re OAP Expenses and Attorney Fees)
- 3. Court of Appeal Case No. E080457 (City of Ontario appeal re 2021-22 Assessment Package)
- 4. Court of Appeal Case No. E080533 (Cities of Chino, Ontario appeal re 2022-23 Watermaster budget expenses to support CEQA analysis)
- 5. City of Ontario Appeal of August 18, 2023 Order (Challenge to 2022-23 Assessment Package)
- 6. Kaiser Permanente Lawsuit

(0:35:26) Mr. Herrema gave a report.

# B. ENGINEER

- 1. 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation
- 2. Model Update and Required Demonstrations
- 3. Ground-Level Monitoring Committee
- 4. 2022 State of the Basin Report

(0:39:09) Mr. Malone gave a report on items 1-3, Ms. Hedley gave a report on item 4. A discussion ensued.

#### C. GENERAL MANAGER

- 1. Long Term Planning Efforts
- 2. Other

(0:58:42) Mr. Kavounas explained the long term planning efforts upcoming over the next three years. He stated all Stakeholders will be able to download the various workshops and other non-routine meeting dates through the Watermaster calendar as an ICS file. A discussion ensued.

#### IV. POOL MEMBER COMMENTS

(1:07:48) Chair Diggs thanked IEUA for the change order for San Sevaine. He also recommended that the Appropriative Pool Committee should have a RIPComm representative. Ms. Coker volunteered to be the representative for the Pool.

# 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 10:10 a.m. to discuss the following AP Business.

(1:09:19) Confidential session concluded at 11:26 a.m. with the reportable action as shown below:

- Motion: To approve AG legal bill as follows: \$13,450.00 for general counsel – Sept. 2023 Invoice (Aug. 2023 billing) Motion made by Martin Zvirbulis, (FUWC), and seconded by Chris Diggs, (Pomona): Passed with 62.894% volume votes in favor.
- 2. Motion: To approve John Schatz's proposed budget of \$260,000 for the calendar year 2024.

  Motion made by Ron Craig (Chino Hills), seconded by Cris Fealy, (Fontana Water):

  Passed with 62.894% volume votes in favor.
- 3. Motion: To approve the AG budget of expenses in the amount of \$361,000.00:

Legal Fees: \$250,000 Pool Admin. Fees: \$50,000 Special Projects: \$61,000

Motion made by Ron Craig (Chino Hills), seconded by Martin Zvirbulis (FUWC): Passed with 62.894% volume votes in favor.

4. Motion: To approve Tom Harder's proposal in the amount of \$25,000.00.

Motion made by Ron Craig (Chino Hills), seconded by Chris Diggs (Pomona):

Passed with 74.493% volume votes in favor.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Diggs adjourned the Appropriative Pool Committee meeting at 11:26 a.m.

|           |                  | Secretary: Kerrang |
|-----------|------------------|--------------------|
| Approved: | October 12, 2023 |                    |

#### Attachment:

1. 20230914 Appropriative Pool Committee Meeting (Reportable Action from Confidential Session as provided by Pool Leadership)

From:

Cansino, Melissa Alexandria Moore

Cc:

Diggs, Chris; Anna Nelson

Subject: Date: AP Closed Session Meeting - Motions 9.14.23 Thursday, September 14, 2023 2:18:12 PM

Attachments:

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Zoom meeting attendance 9-14-23.txt

9-14-23 sign-in sheet.pdf

The AP convened its closed session meeting at 10:15 AM, concluding at 11:26 AM. I've attached the sign-in sheets for your convenience.

Here are the motions and their outcomes:

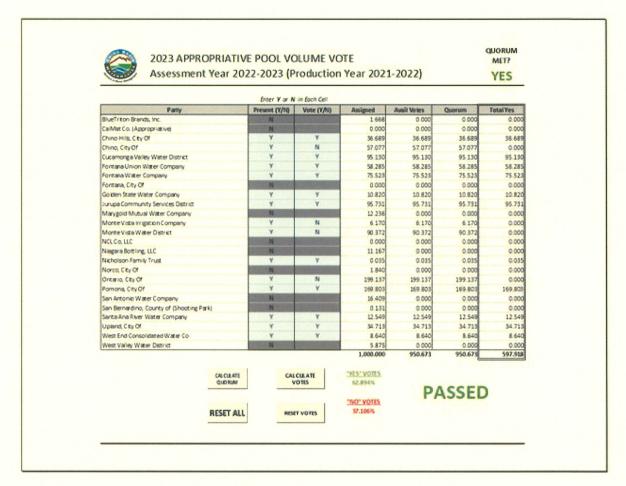
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| 2023 APPROPRIATIVE POOL VOLUME VOTE Assessment Year 2022-2023 (Production Year 2021-2022) |  |                    |  |             |         | QUORUM<br>MET?<br>YES |  |  |
|---|--|--------------------|--|-------------|---------|-----------------------|--|--|
|   | Enter Y  | or N in Each Cell  |  |             |         |                       |  |  |
| Party   | Present (T/  | N) Voce (Y/N)      | Assigned   | Avail Votes | Quorum  | Total Yes             |  |  |
| BlueTriton Brands, Inc.   | N  |                    | 1.668  | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Califfat Co. (Appropriative)  | N  |                    | 0.000  | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| China Hits, Cey Of  | Y  | Y                  | 36 689   | 36.689      | 36.689  | 36.689                |  |  |
| Chine, CityOf   | Y  | N                  | 57.077   | 57.077      | 57.077  | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Cucamonga Valley Water District   | Y  | Y                  | 95.130   | 95.130      | 95.130  | 95.130                |  |  |
| Fortane Union Water Company   | Y  | Y                  | 58.285   | 58.285      | 58.285  | 58.285                |  |  |
| Fortana Water Company   | Y  | Y                  | 75.525   | 75.523      | 75.523  | 75.523                |  |  |
| Fontana, City Of  | N  |                    | 0.000  | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Golden State Water Company  | Y  | Y                  | 10.820   | 10.820      | 10.820  | 10.820                |  |  |
| Jurupa Community Services Datrict   | Y  | Y                  | 95.731   | 95.731      | 95.731  | 95.731                |  |  |
| Marygold Mutual Water Company<br>Morte Vista Irrigation Company                           | Y  | N                  | 12.236<br>6.170                                  | 6.170       | 6.170   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Morte Vista Water District  | y  | N                  | 90.372   | 90.372      | 90.372  | 0.000                 |  |  |
| NOLCO LLC   | N  |                    | 0.000  | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Niegera Sottling, LLC   | N  |                    | 11 167   | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Nencison Family Trust   | Y  | Y                  | 0.035  | 0.035       | 0.035   | 0.035                 |  |  |
| Norco, City Of  | N  |                    | 1.840  | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Ontario, City Of  | Y  | N                  | 199.137  | 199.137     | 199.137 | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Pomona City Of  | Y  | Y                  | 169.803  | 169.803     | 169.803 | 169,803               |  |  |
| San Antonio Water Company   | N  |                    | 16.409   | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| San Bernardino, County of (Shooting Par   | The second secon |                    | 0.131  | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
| Santa Ana River Water Company   | Y  | Y                  | 12 549   | 12.549      | 12.549  | 12.549                |  |  |
| Upland, City Of   | Y  | Y                  | 34.713   | 34,713      | 34,713  | 34.713                |  |  |
| West End Consolidated Water Co  | Y  | Y                  | 8.640  | 8.640       | 8.640   | 8,640                 |  |  |
| West Valley Water District  | N N N  |                    | 5.875  | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000                 |  |  |
|   |  |                    | 1,000,000  | 950.673     | 950.673 | 597.918               |  |  |
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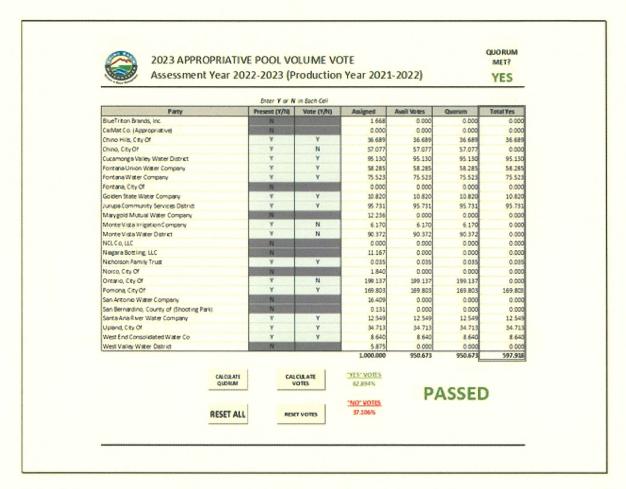
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# 2023 APPROPRIATIVE POOL VOLUME VOTE Assessment Year 2022-2023 (Production Year 2021-2022)

QUORUM MET? YES

| Party                                     | Present (Y/N) | Vote (Y/N)      | Assigned  | Avail Votes | Quorum  | Total Yes |
|---|---------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|---------|-----------|
| BlueTrition Brands, Inc.                  | N             |                 | 1.668     | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000     |
| CalMat Co. (Appropriative)                | N             |                 | 0.000     | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000     |
| Chino Hills, City Of                      | Y             | Y               | 36.689    | 36.689      | 36.689  | 36.685    |
| Chino, City Of                            | Y             | Y               | 57.077    | 57.077      | 57.077  | 57.07     |
| Cucamonga Valley Water District           | Y             | Y               | 95.130    | 95.130      | 95.130  | 95.130    |
| Fontana-Union Water Company               | Y             | Y               | 58.285    | 58.285      | 58.285  | 38.285    |
| Fortana Wister Company                    | Y             | Y               | 75.523    | 75.523      | 75.523  | 75.52     |
| Fortana, City Of                          | N             |                 | 0.000     | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.000     |
| Golden State Water Company                | Y             | Y               | 10.820    | 10.820      | 10.820  | 10.820    |
| Jurupa Community Services District        | Y             | Y               | 95.731    | 95.731      | 95.731  | 95.73     |
| Marygold Musual Water Company             | N             | BEAUTIFE STREET | 12 236    | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.00      |
| Monte Vista Irrigation Company            | Y             | Y               | 6.170     | 6.170       | 6.170   | 6.17      |
| Monte Visa Water District                 | Y             | Y               | 90.372    | 90.372      | 90.372  | 90.37     |
| NCL CO. LLC                               | N             |                 | 0.000     | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.00      |
| Niegara Bottling, U.C                     | 24            |                 | 11.167    | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.00      |
| Nicholson Family Trust                    | Y             | Y               | 0.035     | 0.035       | 0.035   | 0.03      |
| Norco, City Of                            | N             |                 | 1.840     | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.00      |
| Ontaio, Cty Of                            | Y             | N               | 199.137   | 299.337     | 199.137 | 0.00      |
| Pomona, City Of                           | Y             | γ               | 169.803   | 169.803     | 169.803 | 169.80    |
| San Antonio Water Company                 | N             |                 | 16.409    | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.00      |
| San Bernardino, County of (Shooting Park) | N             |                 | 0.131     | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.00      |
| Santa Ana River Water Company             | Y             | Y               | 12.549    | 12.549      | 12.549  | 12.54     |
| Upland, City Of                           | Y             | N               | 34.713    | 34.713      | 34.713  | 0.00      |
| West End Consolidated Water Co            | Y             | N               | 8.640     | 8.640       | 8.640   | 0.00      |
| West Valley Water District                | N             |                 | 5.875     | 0.000       | 0.000   | 0.00      |
|   |               |                 | 1,000,000 | 950.673     | 950.67% | 708.18    |

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CALCULATE VOTES

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"NO" VOTES 25.507%

**PASSED** 

Thank you, Melissa Cansino City of Pomona ~ Water Resources Department (909) 620-2236 Melissa.Cansino@pomonaca.gov