

**Minutes**  
**CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER**  
**WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING**

*March 24, 2011*

The Watermaster Board Meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster, 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA, on March 24, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.

**WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Bob Kuhn, Chair	Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Steve Elie	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Bob Bowcock/Ken Jeske 1 <sup>st</sup> 5 minutes	Vulcan Materials Company (Calmat Division)
Paula Lantz	City of Pomona
Tom Haughey	City of Chino
Charles Field	Western Municipal Water District
Bob Feenstra	Agricultural Pool
Paul Hofer/Jeff Pierson 1 <sup>st</sup> 10 minutes	Agricultural Pool

**WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Geoffrey Vanden Heuvel	Agricultural Pool
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**Watermaster Staff Present**

Danielle Maurizio	Senior Engineer – Interim CEO
Joe Joswiak	Chief Financial Officer
Ben Pak	Senior Project Engineer
Sherri Molino	Recording Secretary

**Watermaster Consultants Present**

Scott Slater	Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck
Andy Malone	Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.

**Others Present Who Signed In**

Marty Zvirbulis	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Jolynne Russo-Pereyra	Cucamonga Valley Water District
Mohamed El Amamy	City of Ontario
Scott Burton	City of Ontario
Dave Crosley	City of Chino
Ron Craig	City of Chino Hills
John Mura	City of Chino Hills
Ben Lewis	Golden State Water Company
Raul Garibay	City of Pomona
Curtis Paxton	Chino Desalter Authority
Steven G. Lee	Reid & Hellyer for the Agricultural Pool
Bob Feenstra	Agricultural Pool
Jeff Pierson	Agricultural Pool
Mark Kinsey	Monte Vista Water District
Ken Jeske	California Steel Industries
Ryan Shaw	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Terry Catlin	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Eunice Ulloa	Chino Basin Water Conservation District
David DeJesus	Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Josh Swift	Fontana Union Water Company
Sheri Rojo	Consultant for Fontana Water Company

Chair Kuhn called the Watermaster Board meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER**

No additions or reorders were made to the agenda.

#### **I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

##### **A. MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the Watermaster Board Meeting held March 24, 2011

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

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of January 2011
2. Watermaster Visa Check Detail for the month of January 2011
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period January 1, 2011 through January 31, 2011
5. Budget vs. Actual July through January 2011

##### **C. WATER TRANSACTION**

1. **Consider Approval for Notice of Sale or Transfer** – The City of Pomona will transfer 370.000 acre-feet of water to the City of Upland. The water will be transferred from Pomona's Excess Carryover Account to Upland's Excess Carryover Account. Date of Application: January 18, 2011
2. **Consider Approval for Notice of Sale or Transfer** – On January 20, 2011 Watermaster received Consolidated Water Transfer Forms 3, 4, and 5 with Southern California Edison (SCE) as the Transferor and the City of Ontario (as an Overlying Non-Agricultural party) as Transferee in the amount of 27.959 acre-feet of safe yield as a permanent transfer. Also to be transferred are all of SCE's post-June 30, 2007 stored, carry-over and unpumped groundwater. Date of Application: January 20, 2011

*Motion by Elie, second by Jeske, and by unanimous vote*

***Moved to approve Consent Calendar items A and B, as presented***

#### **II. REPORTS/UPDATES**

##### **A. WATERMASTER GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

###### **1. April 22, 2011 Hearing**

Counsel Slater stated there is an April 22, 2011 hearing scheduled to present the Desalter Resolution which was approved last November and there is still work being done with that regard. It was anticipated this work would be completed in sufficient time for this hearing; however, it appears this hearing will need to be postponed while the completion of work is accomplished.

###### **2. Calendar of Events for Paragraph 31 Appeal**

Counsel Slater stated this item is moving forward. The last appellate brief is due on March 28, 2011, and then Watermaster's response papers will be due 30 days later on April 28, 2011. There is nothing new to report on other than those dates.

##### **B. ENGINEERING REPORT**

###### **1. Basin Plan Amendment Issue as it Relates to Surface Water Monitoring**

Mr. Malone stated the Basin Plan Amendment is going through the CEQA process presently. Mr. Malone reviewed several maps and gave a brief presentation regarding this item. Mr. Malone stated there is a new effort from the Regional Water Quality Control Board to require all the permittees to participate in a regional surface water monitoring program; IEUA and Watermaster are permittees. Mr. Feenstra noted Mr. Vanden Heuvel

asked that he inquire about concerns regarding water levels and available water within the Chino Basin. Mr. Malone reviewed on a map where there are water level concerns and noted that is where the new Chino Creek Desalter Wellfield is being installed. Mr. Malone stated the first two wells have been drilled and have not been high producing wells, which is a surprise because it was felt those wells would produce more water. Mr. Malone stated the water levels are too high in this one area to achieve Hydraulic Control so we want these wells drilled in places where they produce a lot of water and create a lot of drawdown of water levels so that Hydraulic Control can be achieved. A discussion regarding Mr. Malone's presentation and Mr. Feenstra's comments ensued. Ms. Lantz noted she wants to have written information such as this ahead of time and not just verbally presented at the meetings.

2. Recharge Master Plan Implementation in MZ3

Mr. Malone stated this is an information item only and there are two handouts on the back table regarding this item. Mr. Malone reviewed the handouts in detail.

**C. CEO/STAFF REPORT**

1. Recharge Update

Ms. Maurizio stated for the month of February storm water capture to date was 2,365 acre-feet, and 375 acre-feet of recycled water; annual totals for storm water now just over 13,000 acre-feet, and for recycled water just over 5,000 acre-feet. The storms from last week have not been calculated; however, Inland Empire Utilities Agency's estimate is 1,000 acre-feet of storm water.

Added Comments:

Ms. Maurizio noted the corrected Thirty-Third Annual Reports are now available on the back table.

Ms. Maurizio stated there is no new information regarding Mr. Willis other than he is still in the hospital and is making progress.

**III. INFORMATION**

1. Cash Disbursements for February 2011

No comment was made regarding this item.

2. Newspaper Articles

No comment was made regarding this item.

**IV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Mr. Feenstra stated that Watermaster legal counsel has been asked to do some work with regard to the Ontario Plume issue. Mr. Feenstra offered comments and expressed that it would be a good idea if Counsel Slater attend the next Agricultural Pool meeting to hear from that particular Pool. Counsel Slater noted he will attend if the Board directs him to do so and noted this matter will be discussed during the confidential session today.

**V. OTHER BUSINESS**

No comment was made regarding this item.

The regular open Watermaster Board meeting was convened to hold its confidential session at 11:14 a.m.

**VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION**

Pursuant to Article 2.6 of the Watermaster Rules & Regulations, a Confidential Session may be held during the Watermaster committee meeting for the purpose of discussion and possible action.

1. CEO Position
2. South Archibald Plume

The confidential session concluded at 11:40 a.m.

No actions were reported from the confidential session.

**VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS**

Tuesday, March 22, 2011	9:00 a.m.	GRCC Meeting @ CBWM
Thursday, March 24, 2011	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting @ CBWM
Friday, April 22, 2011	10:00 a.m.	Chino Basin Watermaster Court Hearing
Thursday, April 7, 2011	1:00 p.m.	Appropriative Pool Meeting @ CBWM
Thursday, April 7, 2011	2:30 p.m.	Non-Agricultural Pool Conference Call Meeting
Thursday, April 14, 2011	9:00 a.m.	Agricultural Pool Meeting @ IEUA
Thursday, April 21, 2011	8:00 a.m.	IEUA Dry Year Yield Meeting @ CBWM
Thursday, April 21, 2011	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting @ CBWM
Thursday, April 21, 2011	10:30 a.m.	Land Subsidence Committee Mtg. @ CBWM
Thursday, April 28, 2011	9:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting @ CBWM

The Watermaster Board meeting was dismissed by Chair Kuhn at 11:41 a.m.

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes Approved: April 28, 2011