

MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING

March 22, 2018

The Watermaster Board meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA on March 22, 2018.

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert DiPrimio, Chair
Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair
David De Jesus for Bob Kuhn
Bob Bowcock
Eunice Ulloa
Bob Feenstra for Paul Hofer
Steve Elie
Manny Martinez for Gino Filippi

Fontana Water Company
Agricultural Pool – Crops
Three Valleys Municipal Water District
CalMat Co.
City of Chino
Agricultural Pool – Dairy
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Monte Vista Water District

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul Hofer
Gino Filippi
Don Galleano

Agricultural Pool – Crops
City of Upland
Western Municipal Water District

WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas
Joseph Joswiak
Edgar Tellez Foster
Anna Truong
Justin Nakano

General Manager
Chief Financial Officer
Senior Environmental Engineer
Executive Services Director/Board Clerk
Water Resources Senior Associate

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Scott Slater
Mark Wildermuth
Andy Malone

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.
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OTHERS PRESENT

Bob Kuhn, Secretary/Treasurer
Todd Corbin
Ron Craig
Dave Crosley
Raul Garibay
Amanda Coker
Craig Miller
Van Jew
Chris Berch
Eduardo Espinoza

Three Valleys Municipal Water District
Jurupa Community Services District
City of Chino Hills
City of Chino
City of Pomona
City of Chino
Western Municipal Water District
Monte Vista Water District
Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Cucamonga Valley Water District

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER

None

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Watermaster Board Meeting held February 22, 2018

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of January 2018
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of January 2018
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period January 1, 2018 through January 31, 2018
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018

C. CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL STORAGE AGREEMENTS

Approve the storage agreements as presented.

D. WATER TRANSACTIONS

Approve the proposed transactions:

1. The purchase of 4.375 acre-feet of water from San Antonio Water Company by CalMat Co. This purchase is made from San Antonio Water Company's Excess Carryover Account. CalMat Co. is utilizing this transaction to produce its San Antonio Water Company shares. Date of application: December 19, 2017.
2. The transfer of 4.000 acre-feet of water from CalMat Co. to NCL Co., LLC. This transfer is made from CalMat Co.'s Local Supplemental Storage Account. Date of application: December 19, 2017.

E. OBMP SEMI-ANNUAL STATUS REPORT 2017-2

Adopt the Semi-Annual OBMP Status Report 2017-2, along with filing a copy with the Court, subject to any necessary non-substantive changes.

F. CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER SUBMITTAL IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANNUAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR ADJUDICATED BASINS PURSUANT TO THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT (SGMA)

Approve and direct staff to file the information/reports with the DWR.

G. PROPOSAL FOR INDEPENDENT AUDITOR SERVICES FROM THE OUTSIDE AUDIT FIRM OF FEDAK & BROWN, LLP

Accept Proposal for Independent Auditor Services for Five Years (with Optional Two Years) to the Outside Audit Firm of Fedak & Brown LLP and authorize the General Manager to execute the annual engagement letters for the duration of the proposal on behalf of Watermaster.

(0:01:21)

Motion by Mr. Steve Elie, seconded by Mr. Bob Bowcock, and by unanimous vote.

Moved to approve Consent Calendar as presented.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

NONE

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

1. Appeal of April 28, 2017 Order
2. April 13, 2018 Hearing

(0:01:50) Mr. Slater gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:03:54) Mr. Kuhn joined the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

B. ENGINEER REPORT

1. Storage Framework
2. 2018 RMPU
3. Prado Basin Habitat Sustainability Program
4. Other Efforts

(0:05:14) Mr. Malone gave reports on Items III.B.1. – III.B.3. Under Other Efforts, he reported that the RIPCom prepared a memorandum on MS4 data collection and analysis, finalization of the Ground-Level Monitoring Committee scope of work and budget for next fiscal year, and support with IEUA's Prop 1 Grant application. A discussion ensued.

(0:13:45) Mr. Berch of Inland Empire Utilities Agency clarified the Prop 1 scope. A discussion ensued.

(0:14:41) Chair DiPrimio requested information regarding Prop 1 be shared with the Board.

C. CFO REPORT

1. Fiscal Year 2017/18 Mid-Year Review

(0:15:05) Mr. Joswiak gave a presentation. A discussion ensued.

D. GM REPORT

1. SGMA Update
2. Other

(0:38:06) Mr. Kavounas gave a report on Item III.D.1. A discussion ensued.

(0:46:39) Mr. Kavounas asked for consensus among Board to join the California Groundwater Coalition (CGC). The Board approved and advised Mr. Kavounas to utilize existing resources through lobbyists for Three Valleys Municipal Water District, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, and Western Municipal Water District before incurring additional cost beyond the CGC membership. A discussion ensued.

(0:49:22) Mr. Kavounas gave additional reports on the CA Agricultural Magazine and the Fiscal Year 2018/19 Draft Budget Distribution which will be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018.

IV. INFORMATION

1. Cash Disbursements for February 2018

V. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None

VIII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair DiPrimio adjourned the Watermaster Board meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Secretary: _____

Approved: _____ April 26, 2018