

**MINUTES
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
NON-AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEETING**

July 8, 2021

The Non-Agricultural Pool Committee meeting was held via Zoom (conference call and web meeting) on July 8, 2021.

NON-AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT ON CALL

Brian Geye, Chair	California Speedway Corporation
Bob Bowcock, Vice-Chair	CalMat Co.
Kathleen Brundage	California Steel Industries, Inc.
Christopher Quach	City of Ontario (Non-Ag)
Amanda Meere for Steven Raughley	County of San Bernardino (Non-Ag)

WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT ON CALL

Mike Gardner	Western 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	Data Services and Judgment Reporting Mgr.
Janine Wilson	Senior Accountant
Vanessa Aldaz	Administrative Assistant

WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT ON CALL

Kimberly Leafatt	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
Andy Malone	West Yost

NON-AGRICULTURAL POOL COMMITTEE LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT ON CALL

Allen Hubsch	Loeb & Loeb, LLP
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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Geye called the Non-Agricultural Pool Committee meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL

(0:00:25) Ms. Nelson conducted the roll call.

AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER

None

I. BUSINESS ITEMS - ROUTINE

A. MINUTES

Receive and file as presented:

1. Minutes of the Non-Agricultural Pool Committee Meeting held June 10, 2021

(0:02:38)

Motion by Mr. Christopher Quach, seconded by Ms. Amanda Meere. The Chair called for dissent, and, none being noted, the motion was deemed passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Moved to receive and file Business Item I.A. as presented.

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of May 2021
2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of May 2021
3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021
4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period May 1, 2021 through May 31, 2021
5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2020 through May 31, 2021
6. Cash Disbursements for June 2021 (Information Only)

(0:03:33)

Motion by Mr. Christopher Quach, seconded by Ms. Amanda Meere. The Chair called for dissent, and, none being noted, the motion was deemed passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Moved to receive and file Business Item I.B. without approval as presented.

C. APPLICATION: RECHARGE – FONTANA WATER COMPANY (MAR)

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve Fontana Water Company's Application for Recharge in the Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) pilot project and direct Watermaster staff to account for this supplemental water recharged in Fontana Water Company's existing Local Supplemental Storage account.

(0:04:36)

Motion by Mr. Christopher Quach, seconded by Ms. Kathleen Brundage. The Chair called for dissent, and, none being noted, the motion was deemed passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Moved to approve staff recommendation of Business Item I.C. and I.D., and to direct the Pool representatives to support at the Advisory Committee and Watermaster Board meetings subject to changes which they deem appropriate.

D. APPLICATION: RECHARGE – FONTANA WATER COMPANY (VULCAN)

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve Fontana Water Company's Application for Recharge at the Vulcan Basin and direct Watermaster staff to account for this supplemental water recharged in Fontana Water Company's existing Local Supplemental Storage account.

Business Item I.D. was taken with I.C. (see above action).

E. 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.

(0:05:15) Mr. Geye raised a question regarding which water year the Pool is being asked to approve. A discussion ensued.

(0:10:04)

Motion by Mr. Christopher Quach, seconded by Ms. Kathleen Brundage. The Chair called for dissent, and, none being noted, the motion was deemed passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Moved to approve staff recommendation of Business Item I.E., and to direct the Pool representatives to support at the Advisory Committee and Watermaster Board meetings subject to changes which they deem appropriate.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 GROUND-LEVEL MONITORING COMMITTEE SCOPE AND BUDGET (DISCUSSION ONLY)

(0:10:40) Mr. Kavounas introduced the item and invited Mr. Malone give a report. A discussion ensued.

B. FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 SCOPE AND BUDGET TO COMPLY WITH APRIL 28, 2017 COURT ORDER REGARDING SAFE YIELD RECALCULATION METHODOLOGY (DISCUSSION ONLY)

(0:14:03) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

C. FISCAL YEAR 2021/22 BUDGET AMENDMENTS (FORM A-21-07-01)

1. Recommend to the Advisory Committee to approve the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Budget Amendment for the Safe Yield Reset methodology evaluation; and
2. Recommend to the Advisory Committee to approve the Fiscal Year 2021/22 Budget Amendment for the scope recommended by the GLMC.

(0:15:10) A discussion ensued.

(0:19:52)

Motion by Mr. Christopher Quach, seconded by Ms. Amanda Meere. The Chair called for dissent, and, none being noted, the motion was deemed passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Moved to direct Advisory and Board representatives to exercise their discretion to address Business Item II.C.1. as necessary.

(0:20:35) Further discussion ensued.

(0:22:27)

Motion by Mr. Christopher Quach, seconded by Ms. Kathleen Brundage. The Chair called for dissent, and, none being noted, the motion was deemed passed by unanimous vote of those present.

Moved to approve staff recommendation of Business Item II.C.2, and to direct the Pool representatives to support at the Advisory Committee and Watermaster Board meetings subject to changes which they deem appropriate.

D. MEMBER STATUS CHANGES

1. Any proposed transfer of Safe Yield by a Member.
2. Any transfer of Safe Yield that has actually closed or been completed.
3. Any change in name or corporate identity of a Member (such as results from a merger or filing of a change of name certificate).
4. Any change in the name of a representative or alternate representative of a Member, or a change in e-mail address for either such person.

None

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. LEGAL COUNSEL

1. San Bernardino County Superior Court Emergency Order
2. June 25, 2021 Hearing
3. Rules & Regulations Update
4. Evergreen Storage Agreements
5. Kaiser Permanente Lawsuit

(0:23:25) Ms. Leefatt gave a report. A discussion ensued.

B. ENGINEER

None

(0:31:00) Mr. Kavounas mentioned that the 2020 State of the Basin Report has been completed and is available on the Watermaster website.

C. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

None

D. GENERAL MANAGER

1. DWR Executive Drought Proclamation
2. Wellhead Tax Assessments (OAP)
3. Transfer Funds to Cover Outstanding Pool Stipend Payments (OAP)
4. August Meeting Schedule
5. Other

(0:20:54) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

(0:34:40) Under Item 4, the Pool discussed the possibility of skipping the August Pool meeting. It was decided that the Non-Agricultural Pool will not be holding a regular meeting in August.

(0:37:15) Mr. Kavounas added that the hard copies of Dr. Blomquist's book, *The Realities of Adaptive Groundwater Management*, are available for purchase through Watermaster.

IV. POOL MEMBER COMMENTS

(0:38:50) Ms. Meere raised a question about the return to in-person meetings. A discussion ensued.

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.

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Geye adjourned the Non-Agricultural Pool Committee meeting at 11:49 a.m.

Secretary: _____

Approved: _____ September 9, 2021