

Watermaster and Advisory Committee Respective Roles

	I. Watermaster Board Duties and Powers	II. Watermaster Board Discretionary Function	III. Upon Advisory Committee Recommendation or Advice, or Pool Committee Requirement	IV. Other Watermaster Functions
Type of Actions	<p>Administer, Enforce & Implement the Judgment and Physical Solution.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Control and regulate storage • Establish procedures and administer withdrawal and supplemental water replenishment <p>Steward the Basin's resources</p>	<p>Develop an Optimum Basin Management Program</p>	<p>Recommendation or advice on items like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of rules and regulations; • Acting jointly with other agencies of the United States or the State of California • Adoption of administrative budget • Levy and collect annual assessments <p>Required actions like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allocation of special project expenses 	<p>Normal Course of Business</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquire facilities and equipment • Employ or retain staff and consultants <p>Administering the Pools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Levy and collect annual assessments <p>Administering the Physical Solution</p> <p>Example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accomplish replenishment of overproduction
Pools and Advisory Committee Role	Advice and assistance	Advice and assistance	Recommendation or Advice; approval required; OR Required Action; approval required	Advice
Watermaster Board Role	Approval; must notify the Advisory Committee	Approval; must notify the Advisory Committee	Watermaster must act consistently with an AC recommendation that has been approved by 80 or more votes, but has the right to bring the issue before the Court. In case an AC recommendation does not have the 80 vote mandate, Watermaster may take a different action after a public hearing followed by written findings and a decision.	Approval; must notify the Advisory Committee

The above table is a brief summary; the full text can be found in Part III of Special Referee Report and Recommendation entitled "Watermaster Roles and Review of Watermaster Actions" found on pages 10 through 22. This was adopted and incorporated by the Court in its February 19, 1998 Order establishing the 9-member Watermaster Board

