

**CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING**

11:00 a.m. – July 24, 2025

Mr. Jim Curatalo, Chair

Mr. Jeff Pierson, Vice-Chair

Mr. Bob Bowcock, Secretary/Treasurer

At The Offices Of

Chino Basin Watermaster

9641 San Bernardino Road

Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on any short non-agenda items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Chino Basin Watermaster. No discussion or action can be taken on matters not listed on the agenda, per the Brown Act. Each member of the public who wishes to comment shall be allotted three minutes, and no more than three individuals shall address the same subject.

AGENDA – ADDITIONS/REORDER

SAFETY MINUTE

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:

Minutes of the Watermaster Board Meeting held June 26, 2025 (*Page 1*)

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

Monthly Financial Report for the Period Ended May 31, 2025 (*Page 10*)

C. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – 4.0 AF NICHOLSON FAMILY TRUST TO FONTANA WATER COMPANY (*Page 25*)

Approve the proposed transaction.

D. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – 7,500 AF CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT TO FONTANA WATER COMPANY (Page 32)

Approve the proposed transaction.

E. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN EIDE BAILLY, LLP AND CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER (Page 39)

Approve and authorize the General Manager to execute the engagement letter on behalf of Watermaster.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. APPLICATION: LOCAL STORAGE AGREEMENT (ONAP) (Page 46)

Approve the proposed agreement.

B. BUDGET AMENDMENT A-25-07-01 – OPTIMUM BASIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ECONOMIC ANALYSIS SCOPE OF WORK (Page 61)

Adopt the budget amendment Form A-25-07-01 in the amount of \$92,000 as presented and authorize Watermaster general manager to engage a consultant, by contract, to conduct the Economic Analysis study in accordance with the Scope of Work.

C. PEER REVIEW OF THE DRAFT 2025 SAFE YIELD REEVALUATION FINAL REPORT (INFORMATION ONLY)

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. WATERMASTER LEGAL COUNSEL

1. September 12, 2025, Court Hearing (Watermaster Motion for Receipt and Filing of Semi-Annual OBMP Status Report 2024-2; IEUA Motion for Costs and Fees; Watermaster Motion for Extension of Time to Complete Safe Yield Evaluation)
2. October 3, 2025, Court Hearing (Appropriative Pool Motion for Costs and Fees)
3. Court of Appeal Consolidated Cases No. E080457 and E082127 (City of Ontario appeal re: Fiscal Year 2021-22 and 2022-23 Assessment Packages)
4. Inland Empire Utilities Agency, et al. v. LS-Fontana LLC (C.D. Cal Cases Nos.: 5:25-cv-00809, 5:25-cv-01159)

B. ENGINEER

1. 2024 State of the Basin Report

C. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Implementation of Dry Year Yield Appellate Court Ruling – Workshops
2. WaterSMART Drought Resiliency (IEUA improvements to the Montclair Basins)
3. Other

IV. INFORMATION

A. CALIFORNIA AB1413 SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT: groundwater adjudication (Page 70)

B. VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS PROCESSING IN THE ASSESSMENT PACKAGE (PRESENTATION PROVIDED TO THE POOLS COMMITTEES ON JULY 10, 2025)

V. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

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

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION: a) Chino Basin Municipal Water District v. City of Ontario et al., 4th District Court of Appeal Case No. E080457 and E082127
2. General Manager Performance Evaluation

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS AT WATERMASTER

07/23/25	Wed	10:00 a.m.	Workshop (Implementation of Dry Year Yield Appellate Court Ruling)
07/24/25	Thu	9:30 a.m.	Watermaster Orientation*
07/24/25	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board
08/14/25	Thu	9:00 a.m.	Appropriative Pool Committee
08/14/25	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Non-Agricultural Pool Committee
08/14/25	Thu	1:30 p.m.	Agricultural Pool Committee
08/21/25	Thu	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee
08/28/25	Thu	9:30 a.m.	Watermaster Orientation*
08/28/25	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board

* The Watermaster Orientation series are held in person only with no remote access.

ADJOURNMENT