

Minutes
CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 24, 2004

The Advisory Committee Meeting was held at the offices of the Chino Basin Watermaster, 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, California, on June 24, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Appropriative Pool

Ken Jeske, Chair	City of Ontario
John Huitsing	Milk Producers Council
Dave Crosley	City of Chino
Ray Wellington	San Antonio Water Company
Arnold Rodriguez	Santa Ana River Water Company
Mike McGraw	Fontana Water Company
Raul Garibay	City of Pomona

Agricultural Pool

Pete Hall	State of California Institute for Men
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Non-Agricultural Pool

Bob Bowcock	Vulcan Materials Company (Calmat Division)
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Watermaster Staff Present

Sheri Rojo	Chief of Watermaster
Gordon Treweek	Project Engineer
Danielle Maurizio	Senior Engineer
Sherri Lynne Molino	Recording Secretary

Watermaster Consultants Present

Michael Fife	Hatch & Parent
Mark Wildermuth	Wildermuth Environmental Inc.

Others Present

Rich Atwater	Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Barrett Kehl	Chino Basin Water Conservation District
Steven G. Lee	Agricultural Pool Legal Counsel
Bill Stafford	Marygold Mutual Water Company
Justin Brokaw	Marygold Mutual Water Company
Rich Hansen	Three Valleys Municipal Water District

The Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Jeske at 9:05 a.m.

AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. MINUTES

1. Minutes of the Advisory Committee meeting held May 27, 2004

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Cash Disbursements for the month of May 2004
2. Combining Schedule of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Working Capital for the Period July 1, 2003 through April 30, 2004

- 3. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period April 1 through April 30, 2004
- 4. Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual July 2003 through April 2004

C. COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA)

Consider Approval for 2.5% COLA included in the FY 2004-05 Budget, beginning July 1, 2004

Motion by Wellington, second by McGraw, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Consent Calendar Items A through C, as presented

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. CONSIDER COOPERATIVE MONITORING AGREEMENT BETWEEN IEUA AND WATERMASTER FOR BASIN MONITORING ACTIVITIES

Ms. Rojo stated this information was brought to all Pool Committee Members last month for approval to send to MWD per our contract, and this month for review and discussion, noting the Agreement starts on page 23 of the meeting packet for those who need to review it at this time. Chair Jeske inquired to the outcome of the Pool meetings if there were any comments or actions. Mr. Rojo acknowledged that all Pools unanimously approved the Agreement.

Motion by Wellington, second by Rodriguez, and by unanimous vote

Moved to Approve the Cooperative Monitoring Agreement between IEUA and Watermaster for Basin Monitoring Activities, as presented

III. REPORTS/UPDATES

A. WATERMASTER GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

1. Attorney/Manager Process – Continuance of MVWD Motion

Counsel Fife confirmed the attorney/manager meetings are still in the process of being held and noted they are progressing well. Counsel Fife stated there was a technical meeting, which came out of the regular meetings, being held today at 1:00 p.m. here at the Chino Basin Watermaster office. Counsel Fife commented that Monte Vista Water District did agree to continue their motion and the new hearing date is September 2, 2004, which will be confirmed by the court today.

2. Santa Ana River Application Process

Counsel Fife informed the Committee members that Orange County Water District (OCWD) has put out their draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for their application to the State Board for 500,000 acre-feet of Santa Ana River water. Counsel Fife noted it is an interesting EIR and this report can be found on their web site. Counsel Fife stated that on the back table there is a draft letter from Watermaster of our comments collected and encouraged all to read this draft and to get back to him as quickly as possible with comments on the comment letter; these are due by July 7, 2004.

Added Item:

- 3. Counsel Fife commented on the other issue connected to the Santa Ana River application process which is the critical habitat designation for the Santa Ana sucker that is coming up for finalization. The Santa Ana River has designated four areas as critical habitat; the one most relevant to us is the Prado Basin. Counsel Fife acknowledged that we will stay informed as to the nature of the critical habitat designation.

B. STAFF REPORTAdded Item:

Ms. Rojo commented that the AGWA meeting was held here recently, and that the minutes from that meeting will be provided as information as soon as they are made available to us. Ms. Rojo stated there were a few additional handouts available on the back table for information, noting one item is on the Colorado River, and the lack of water and the second item is an update on regulatory issues. Ms. Rojo also wanted to give advance notice regarding the upcoming Water Quality conference that AGWA is sponsoring and will be held in October 2004.

1. Update on the Draft Chino I and Chino II Desalter Projects Groundwater Monitoring and Mitigation Plan

Ms. Rojo informed the Committee members that Tom O'Neil from Jurupa Community Services/CDA was scheduled to give a presentation today but due to a scheduling conflict had to reschedule to give his presentation at the July meeting.

2. MWD Refund for Water Sales from 2002/2003 of \$188,113.38

Ms. Rojo explained this item was for information purposes only and that the parties who actually had purchased water either from cyclic purchases or replenishment water purchases would receive a portion of this refund. Ms. Rojo noted on page 97 of the packet was a breakdown on who would receive a refund. It was noted there was some rounding differences from page 97 to page 98 for reference. The question of how the credit is accomplished was presented to staff. Ms. Rojo stated a check will be mailed for this refund. Ms. Rojo informed the Committee that the refund was a result from Metropolitan Water District reevaluating their rate structure from prior years as it relates to their reserve balances.

3. \$132,000 Reimbursement from MWD – Per The Dry Year Yield Funding Agreement

Ms. Rojo noted this item was for information purposes only and wanted to inform the Committee that Watermaster will be sending out a bill to Metropolitan Water District (MWD). Ms. Rojo affirmed that according to the terms of the DYY funding agreement Watermaster is allowed to bill MWD \$132,000 a year as reimbursement of administrative expenses related to the management of the Dry Year Yield program fee per the contract.

4. Update Regarding the Recharge Improvement Project

Mr. Treweek gave the Chino Basin Facilities Improvement Project March 2003 – March 2004 presentation. The discussion topics covered for the presentation was 1) Budget and Schedule, 2) Immediate Concerns, 3) On-Going Projects, and 4) Future Projects. Mr. Treweek reviewed construction budget statuses for Bid Package 1 through 7. An analysis of construction schedules was examined including excavation, connection, force main, pump station, monitoring, imported supply, and flexibility. Mr. Treweek discussed the immediate concern with regard to imported water recharge. A few questions were presented to Mr. Treweek with regard to recharge and a brief discussion ensued. Mr. Treweek informed the Committee members that Watermaster was currently in the process of preparing Operation Manuals.

C. INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY

1. Rialto Pipeline Shutdown – Task Force Evaluation to Improve Reliability

Mr. Atwater commented on the need to improve the overall system water supply reliability within the IEUA service area. Mr. Atwater stated he is exploring the formation of a task force to evaluate opportunities to enhance the reliability of water service when the pipeline is shut down. Mr. Atwater is looking for any comments from the Committee members with

this regard and possibly putting this item on a future agenda or having a separate meeting. A discussion ensued to the parties who should be involved in this task force.

2. Wastewater Master Plan/Urban Water Management Plan Update
Mr. Atwater informed the Committee members that IEUA will be working with Watermaster on the 2005 overall water and waste water plan; while looking at growth forecast and demands. Mr. Atwater asked that if any Committee member had any areas of concerns or areas that IEUA should focus on to please contact him. Mr. Atwater commented that on the IEUA web page there is now a water statistics page available for the prior year.
3. MWD DYY Project Status and Planned Replenishment Deliveries During FY 2004/2005
Mr. Atwater noted that the IEUA recycled water plan was available in the packet for May and noted June's was emailed today. Mr. Atwater commented on the phases 3 & 4 construction. Regarding the DYY, Mr. Atwater stated IEUA is processing invoices, and the good news is one of the items negotiated with MWD is that when we submit invoices to MWD that they will pay within 30 days.

A questing regarding planned replenishment deliveries that was associated with the Dry Year Yield item was presented. Mr. Wellington inquired about discussions/questions presented at prior meetings regarding deliveries and recharge due of our current basin capacities while meeting our replenishment obligations. Mr. Wellington asked staff about the arrangement with MWD for taking such deliveries. Mr. Atwater commented that it was in fact a discussion at the Appropriative Pool and noted that Kathy Tiegs and he had prepared an updated draft for that; noting this item will be on the agenda for July. A brief discussion ensued and Ms. Rojo stated Watermaster is currently working on this internally and will bring this item back in July with more information to offer than is available at this time for comment.

4. Water Resources Report
No comment was made regarding this item.
5. Water Conservation Status Report
No comment was made regarding this item.
6. Recycled Water Program
No comment was made regarding this item.
7. Chino Basin Facilities Improvement Project (Recharge)
No comment was made regarding this item.
8. State/Federal Legislation
No comment was made regarding this item.
9. Public Relations
No comment was made regarding this item.

IV. INFORMATION

1. Black & Veatch Technical Memorandum – Agricultural Land Conversion Study
Ms. Rojo noted this was included in the package as an information item only. Chair Jeske stated that this report shows pumping pattern changes over time based on history and based on future land use conversion plans. Mr. Wellington asked staff to turn to page 16 of 17 of the report, section 5.0 and made comments regarding the land conversions and hydraulic control. Mr. Wellington stated he wanted to understand what this meant as far as increase in new yield to the basin and noted it was a concern to him. Chair Jeske stated that this is a draft report and requested that Watermaster work with Black & Veatch on section 5.0 for clarification purposes.

V. POOL MEMBER COMMENTS

No comment was made regarding this item.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee members were reminded of the Hydraulic Control meeting today at 1:00 p.m.

VIII. FUTURE MEETINGS

June 21, 2004	1:00 p.m.	AGWA Meeting
June 24, 2004	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting
	1:00 p.m.	Hydraulic Control Atty/Mgr Technical Workgroup
June 29, 2004	9:00 a.m.	Attorney/Manager Meeting @ BB&K
July 8, 2004	9:00 a.m.	Joint Appropriative & Non-Agricultural Pool Meeting
July 14, 2004	12:00 p.m.	Attorney/Manager Meeting @ BB&K
July 19, 2004	9:00 a.m.	Agricultural Pool Meeting @ IEUA
July 21, 2004	9:00 a.m.	MZ1 Technical Committee Meeting
July 22, 2004	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee Meeting
	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board Meeting

The Advisory Committee Meeting Adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Secretary: _____

Minutes Approved: July 22, 2004