

**CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER
WATERMASTER BOARD MEETING**

11:00 a.m. – September 25, 2025

Mr. James 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 August 28, 2025 (*Page 1*)

B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Receive and file as presented:

(July 2025 financials are being deferred to the October 2025 meetings.)

C. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – 788 AF JURUPA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TO FONTANA WATER COMPANY (*Page 7*)

Approve the proposed transaction.

D. APPLICATION: WATER TRANSACTION – 2,000 AF CITY OF CHINO TO NIAGARA BOTTLING, LLC (*Page 14*)

Approve the proposed transaction.

E. OBMP SEMI-ANNUAL STATUS REPORT 2025-1 *(Page 21)*

Adopt the OBMP Semi-Annual Status Report 2025-1, and direct staff to file a copy with the Court, subject to any necessary non-substantive changes.

F. RESOLUTION 2025-02 OF THE CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER RECOGNIZING WATER PROFESSIONALS' APPRECIATION WEEK *(Page 43)*

Adopt Resolution 2025-02 as presented.

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

A. OPTIMUM BASIN MANAGEMENT PROGRAM – ECONOMIC ANALYSIS (UPDATE)
(INFORMATION ONLY) *(Page 46)*

B. PEER REVIEW OF THE DRAFT 2025 SAFE YIELD REEVALUATION FINAL REPORT (UPDATE)
(INFORMATION ONLY) *(Page 51)*

C. AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT, GENERAL MANAGER *(Page 157)*

No recommendation. Watermaster Board is asked to discuss and Consider the proposed employment agreement amendment.

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, Status Conference re Court of Appeal Remittitur in Consolidated Cases No. E080457 and E082127; Court Hearing (Appropriative Pool Motion for Costs and Fees)
3. October 31, 2025, Court Hearing (Ontario Motion for Attorney's Fees and Costs)
4. Court of Appeal Consolidated Cases No. E080457 and E082127 (City of Ontario appeal re: Fiscal Year 2021-22 and 2022-23 Assessment Packages)
5. 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 (Update)
2. Ground-Level Monitoring Program

C. GENERAL MANAGER

1. Update on Implementation of Dry Year Yield Appellate Court Ruling – Workshops
2. Assessment Package for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2025 – Water Activity Reports Due 9/15/25
3. Other

IV. INFORMATION

A. RECHARGE INVESTIGATION AND PROJECTS COMMITTEE (PROJECT 23a STATUS) *(Page 173)*

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

09/25/25	Thu	9:30 a.m.	Watermaster Orientation (in person only)
09/25/25	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board
10/02/25	Thu	10:00 a.m.	Ground-Level Monitoring Committee
10/02/25	Thu	1:30 p.m.	Groundwater Recharge Brainstorming Session
10/09/25	Thu	9:00 a.m.	Appropriative Pool Committee
10/09/25	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Non-Agricultural Pool Committee
10/09/25	Thu	1:30 p.m.	Agricultural Pool Committee
10/16/25	Thu	9:00 a.m.	Advisory Committee
10/21/25	Tue	10:00 a.m.	Fiscal Year 2025/26 Assessment Package Workshop #1
10/23/25	Thu	9:30 a.m.	Watermaster Orientation (in person only)
10/23/25	Thu	11:00 a.m.	Watermaster Board
10/28/25	Tue	10:00 a.m.	Fiscal Year 2025/26 Assessment Package Workshop #2

ADJOURNMENT