

**THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES**

**JOINT MEETING OF THE  
WATER PLANNING AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE  
AND  
SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BAY-DELTA**

**August 20, 2012**

Chair De Jesus called the meeting to order at 10:58 a.m. in Committee Room 2-456 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

WP&S Committee Members present: Chairman De Jesus and Vice Chairman Wright, Directors Brick, Brown, Edwards, Fleming, Gray, Griset, Lewinger, Morris, Peterson, and Record.

WP&S Committee Members absent: Directors Ackerman, Dick, Lowenthal, K. Murray, Quinonez, and Steiner.

Bay-Delta Committee Members present: Chairman Peterson and Vice Chair Gray, Directors Camacho, De Jesus, Fleming, Griset, Hawkins, Morris, Record, and Wright.

Bay-Delta Committee Members absent: Directors K. Murray and Steiner.

Other Directors present: Board Chairman Foley, Directors Barbre, Evans, Friedman, Little, Millard, J. Murray, Wilson, and Wunderlich,

Staff present: Acuna, Arakawa, Beatty, H., Bennion, Breaux, Correa, Donhoff, Green, Hui, Man, Mokhtari, Nobriga, Patterson, Philp, Riss, Ryan, R., Schlotterbeck, Scully, Sencion, Stites, Upadhyay, Winn, Wong, E., Young, and Zinke.

**1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION**

None

**2. Presentation by Jay Abbs, CEO of Palo Verde Valley Community Improvement Fund, on "Your Investment at Work"**

Mr. Abbs gave a presentation and reported on projects that have been partially funded by Metropolitan through the following program with the Palo Verde Irrigation District.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WATER PLANNING AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE HELD JULY 9, 2012**

Approved

Motion Carried: Moved: Morris Seconded: Record

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION**

**7-1** Subject: Authorize entering into a Local Resources Program agreement with Municipal Water District of Orange County and El Toro Water District for the El Toro Recycled Water System Expansion Project

Presented by: None

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination and authorize the General Manager to enter into a LRP agreement for the El Toro Recycled Water System Expansion Project with MWDOC and El Toro for up to 1,175 acre-feet per year of recycled water under terms included in the letter.

Motion Carried: Moved: Morris Seconded: Fleming  
Director Lewinger voted no.

Votes: 11 = Yes; 1 = No

San Diego County Water Authority provided a letter to the committee expressing their opposition to item 7-1.

**5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION**

None

**6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

None

**7. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

None

**8. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- a. Subject: Bay-Delta Matters  
Presented by: Roger Patterson, Assistant General Manager and Strategic Water Initiatives

Item 8a was heard out of order at the end of the meeting

Mr. Patterson reported on a seismic activity study in the Delta and a House subcommittee meeting that focused on levee maintenance and the needed resources from state, federal, and local governments to care for the levee as it relates to seismic risk.

- b. Subject: Colorado River Matters  
Presented by: Roger Patterson, Assistant General Manager and Strategic Water Initiatives

Mr. Patterson provided an update on matters related to the Colorado River. Mr. Patterson also indicated that staff will begin reporting in September regarding Director Record's requests from the July 2012 Water Planning and Stewardship Committee meeting and continue through several meetings.

- c. Subject: Water Resource Management Manager's Report  
Presented by: Deven Upadhyay, Manager, Water Resource Management

Mr. Upadhyay highlighted a recently attended outreach meeting where significant recognitions were presented for Metropolitan staff and the Board of Directors for its commitment to water use efficiency in Southern California. He also gave a brief presentation on national media attention to high temperatures within the U.S. as well as recent climate trends for Metropolitan's service area and the impacts to its demand in 2012.

**9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

None

**10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BAY-DELTA**

### **11. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Review of Bay-Delta Conservation Plan joint State/ Federal proposal

Mr. Stephen Arakawa, Manager, Bay-Delta Initiatives, reported on the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) joint state/federal proposal announced July 25, 2012, by California Governor Jerry Brown, United States Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, and others. Mr. Arakawa presented video clips of the announcement, described the joint proposal, characterized the steps that lie ahead, and directed the committee's attention to the committee handout document, titled "BDCP California's Water Future."

Staff addressed questions and comments from the committee regarding cost estimates, the Integrated Resources Plan, funding, the timeline, the size of the forebay, new and existing State Water Project contract participation, and through-Delta surface flows.

- b. Review upcoming six-month schedule of the Special Committee on Bay-Delta agenda items

Mr. Arakawa provided information about the next several Special Committee on Bay-Delta meetings by outlining the meeting schedule and the subjects that will be presented at those meetings.

Next meeting of the WP&S Committee will be held on September 10, 2012.

Meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

David De Jesus  
Chair, WP&S Committee