

**THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES**

**WATER PLANNING AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

**October 8, 2012**

Chair De Jesus called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. in Committee Room 2-456 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Committee Members present: Chairman De Jesus and Vice Chairman Wright, Directors Ackerman, Brick, Brown, Dick, Fleming, Gray, Griset, Morris, Peterson, Quinonez, Record, and Steiner.

Committee Members absent: Directors Lewinger, Lowenthal, and K. Murray.

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

Staff present: Arakawa, Beatty, H., Bennion, Breaux, Correa, Goshi, Green, Harding, Hasencamp, Kightlinger, Man, Mokhtari, Nevills, Nobriga, Patterson, Philp, Riss, Schlotterbeck, Scully, Sencion, Upadhyay, Vanderhorst, Waade, Westford, Wong, E., Yamasaki, B., and Zinke.

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

No members responded.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WATER PLANNING AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE HELD SEPTEMBER 10, 2012**

Motion Carried    Moved: Director Morris                      Seconded: Director Fleming

Votes: Unanimous

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION**

None

**4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION**

None

## 5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

## 6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Subject: Oral report on Water Surplus and Drought Management Plan

Presented by: Jennifer Nevills, Senior Resource Specialist

Ms. Nevills reported on the Water Surplus and Drought Management Plan that focused on year-end storage levels and take capacity in dry conditions.

Deven Upadhyay, Group Manager, Water Resource Management, responded to a request made by a committee member to include a summary of take capacity on an ongoing basis, as well as an assessment of put capacity. He noted that staff includes the put capacities in the report when reporting on water storage capacities.

- b. Subject: Oral report on IRP Implementation

Presented by: Robert L. Harding, Manager, Systems Analysis Unit

Mr. Harding provided a progress report on the implementation of Metropolitan's Integrated Resources Plan (IRP). In his report, Mr. Harding reviewed the key activities within the previous fiscal year in each of the water resource categories that are identified in the IRP.

Staff responded to questions made by committee members regarding the composition of the local resources development strategy task force.

- c. Subject: Oral report on QSA Issues

Presented by: Bill Hasencamp, Manager, Colorado River Resources

Mr. Hasencamp gave part one of a two-part report. The second part of this report will be given at the November Water Planning and Stewardship Committee meeting.

Today's presentation reviewed the background and addressed the framework and water transfers of the Quantification Settlement Agreement (QSA), which include the San Diego/Imperial Irrigation District transfer. He also discussed some of the programs that staff has developed outside of the QSA.

Jeff Kightlinger, General Manager, explained in greater detail the steps that staff has taken in this process and he gave an overview of areas that the second part of the report would include.

He also noted the passing of Mr. Steve Robbins, General Manager, Coachella Valley Water District.

## 7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

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

Mr. Patterson provided an update on Bay Delta Conservation Plan and the ongoing work on the preparation of the Draft EIR, as well as related activities of the Delta Stewardship Council and State Water Resources Control Board.

- b.           Subject:                    Colorado River Matters
- Presented by:            Bill Hasencamp, Manager, Colorado River Resources

Mr. Hasencamp reported on a Partners in Conservation Award presented to Metropolitan and other Basin states agencies by the Secretary of the Interior recognizing their efforts in the Colorado River Basin study on long-term supply and demand.

He also announced that Mr. Terry Fulp was named Regional Director for Lower Colorado River Region and that Ms. Tanya Trujillo is now the Executive Director for the Colorado River Board.

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

Mr. Upadhyay reported on Water Resource Management (WRM) activity, including an avocado grove inspection trip that was hosted by the California Avocado Commission and the release of San Diego County Water Authority's (SDCWA) draft Water Purchase Agreement with Poseidon for the Carlsbad facility. He also discussed the WaterSmart Conference that was attended by WRM's staff who presented several agenda items and poster presentations. He announced that the Water Savings Incentive Program was launched this week.

Staff responded to a question made by a committee member regarding the SDCWA

Water Purchase Agreement noting that staff is still in the process of reviewing the document.

**8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

None

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

Next meeting will be held on November 5, 2012.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

David De Jesus  
Chair