

Chair De Jesus noted that the minutes would be corrected for the record.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

None

Director Koretz entered the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

- 8-1** **Subject:** Authorize (1) agreement with the State Water Contractors, Inc. to pursue 2015 Sacramento Valley water transfer supplies; and (2) \$5 per acre-foot initial administrative deposit not to exceed \$500,000 from the Water Management Fund
- Presented by:** Steve P. Hirsch, Program Manager, Water Transfer and Exchange Issues
- Substitute Motion:** Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not defined as a project and there is no possibility that it may have a significant effect on the environment, and
- a. Authorize the General Manager to enter into an agreement with the State Water Contractors, Inc. to pursue 2015 Sacramento Valley water transfer supplies, in a form approved by the General Counsel; and
- b. Authorize making a \$5-per acre-foot initial administrative deposit and disbursements from that deposit consistent with the agreement not to exceed \$500,000 from the Water Management Fund with direction to staff to come back to the Board regarding recommendations whether to purchase any available water supplies.
- Moved:** Director Dick **Seconded:** Director Morris
- Ayes:** Directors Ackerman, Dick, Gray, Griset, Koretz, Lewinger, Morris, and Steiner.
- Noes:** Directors Abdo, Atwater, Calkins, De Jesus, Peterson, and Touhey.
- Absent:** Directors Brown, Camacho, and Quinonez.

The motion passed by a vote of 8 ayes, 6 noes, and 3 absent.

Directors Dick and Morris moved to approve the item without staff's presentation.

Staff responded to several questions made by Director Steiner relating to previous year's refund amounts, litigation over transfers, and amount and cost of draws.

General Manager Kightlinger proposed that staff proceed with providing the committee with the

from KCWA and WMWC.

Staff responded to comments regarding mutual benefits of the water exchange agreement, payback of exchanges affecting SWP area water supplies, mutual agreement of water returns and potential risks involved in a 5 percent water allocation year.

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

Director Quinonez entered the meeting at 10:22 a.m.

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Report on Water Surplus and Drought Management Plan

Presented by: Demetri J. Polyzos, Sr. Engineer, Imported Supply Unit

Mr. Polyzos's presentation included a summary report on 2014 water storage balances, an update report on hydrology, an explanation of operational reports from Department of Water Resources on SWP water supplies, and 2015 demand supply scenarios under various SWP allocation levels.

Staff responded to questions related to SWP system storage and emergency storage draws, key assumptions of continued conservation efforts, water content measurements in northern snowpack studies, water withdrawal impacts to Castaic Lake, and Colorado River water system balances.

b. Update on Conservation Activities

Presented by: Bill McDonnell, Manager, Water Efficiency Team

Mr. McDonnell provided an update on the Water Conservation Program activities. In addition to the monthly update for turf replacement and device rebate requests, he also explained the management and reporting mechanisms of the programs.

Staff responded to comments regarding additional programmatic control options, data on public versus private customers, program lifetime water savings estimate of turf replacement incentives, program budget status, list of the specific commercial customers receiving more than \$1 million in incentives, each member agency's statistics on percentage of customers replacing turf, and commercial properties replacing turf irrigated with recycled water.

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

a. Subject: Bay Delta Matters

Presented by Roger K. Patterson, Asst. General Manager, Strategic Water
Initiatives

Mr. Patterson gave a brief update on draft documents of Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP), enhanced Bay Delta monitoring, and BDCP cost allocation.

b. Subject: Colorado River Matters

Presented by: Bill Hasencamp, Manager, Colorado River Resources

Mr. Hasencamp gave an oral presentation on the Colorado River Basin status.

c. Subject: Water Resource Management Manager's Report

Presented by: Deven N. Upadhyay, Manager, Water Resource Management

Mr. Upadhyay announced a newly signed Memorandum of Understanding with Southern California Gas Company on co-promoting efficiency programs.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on February 9, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

David De Jesus
Chair