

The motion passed by a vote of 11 ayes, 0 noes and 3 absent.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

None

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

8-1 Subject: Adopt CEQA determination and authorize entering into agreements related to international cooperative measures in the Colorado River Basin, payment of up to \$7.5 million for acquisition of supplies from international projects, continuing participation in pilot program to fund water use efficiency measures for the Colorado River, and payment of up to \$2 million for efficiency measures.

Presented by: Shanti A. Rosett, Program Manager III, Office of the General Manager

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed actions are exempt from CEQA or are not defined as a project, and;

- a. Authorize Metropolitan to enter into multiple agreements in support of a program to augment Metropolitan’s Colorado River supply through the funding of international projects in Mexico, consistent with the terms described in this board letter, and in a form approved by the General Manager and General Counsel;
- b. Authorize payment of up to \$7.5 million for acquisition of supplies from the international projects;
- c. Authorize the General Manager to continue to participate in the pilot program for funding the creation of Colorado River system water through voluntary reductions in use; and
- d. Authorize payment of up to an additional \$2 million for partially funding the pilot program

Moved: Director Peterson Seconded: Director Morris

Ayes: Directors Abdo, Ackerman, DeJesus, Dick, Gray, Morris, Peterson, and Wunderlich.

Noes: Director Lewinger.

Abstain: Director Steiner.

Not Voting Director Quiñonez.
Absent: Directors Atwater, Camacho, and Paskett.

Ms. Rosett gave a presentation on the proposed multiple agreements in support of a program to augment Metropolitan's Colorado River supplies by funding conservation efforts in Mexico, and the proposed continuation of Metropolitan's participation in the System Conservation Pilot Program.

Staff responded to questions relating to U.S. agricultural participation in the System Conservation Program, environmental mitigation requirements for conservation impacts to the Salton Sea, status of project estimates and water savings stemming from Minute 319.

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Subject: Presentation by California Fish and Wildlife Director, Charles Bonham on California Eco Restore and Bay-Delta Restoration Efforts.

Presented by: None

Chair Gray announced that Mr. Bonham was not able to be present at the meeting to give his presentation.

- b. Subject: Metropolitan Climate Change Impacts and Adaptations

Presented by: Brandon J. Goshi, Manager, Unit Manager, Water Resource Management

Mr. Goshi provided a presentation that discussed climate change planning and information that goes into integrated resources planning and findings. The presentation was in three parts. The first part provided a high level review of global climate models and science, and considerations for Southern California. The second part discussed observations regarding conditions in the future. The third part discussed adaptation approaches that Metropolitan will continue to incorporate into the planning process.

Staff responded to questions surrounding analysis of sea level rise, salinity intrusion, and bypass flow regulations in the California WaterFix Environmental Impact Report, and sea water temperatures.

Director Paskett entered the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

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

Mr. Patterson gave a brief oral report on Bay Delta activity.

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

Mr. Hasencamp gave an update on Colorado River activity.

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

Mr. Upadhyay provided an update on Metropolitan's water storage activity. He answered questions regarding the data used in his presentation and the amount of water stored by LADWP under the emergency agreement, a report of NRDC's recent findings, and Metropolitan's local supply development.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on October 10, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Gloria Gray
Chair