

UPPER SANTA ANA WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION

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San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District
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Thursday, October 11, 2012
9:30 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes – September 13, 2012
3. Update on SBVWMD's Activities Bob Tincher/Sam Fuller
4. Legislative Update Manny Aranda
5. Other
6. Committee Reports & Schedules
 - Habitat Conservation Plan Committee Stacey Aldstadt
 - Recharge Committee Daniel Cozad
 - Basin Technical Advisory Committee Tom Crowley
 - Seven Oaks Dam Water Quality Committee Daniel Cozad
 - Santa Ana Sucker Task Force Sam Fuller
7. Additional Items/Comments, Suggestions for Next Meeting
8. Next Meeting – November 8, 2012
9. Adjourn

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UPPER SANTA ANA WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION MINUTES

September 13, 2012

PRESENT:

Mark Alvarez, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
Stacey Aldstadt, City of San Bernardino Water Department
Robin Ohama, City of San Bernardino Water Department
John Mura, East Valley Water District
Seth Zielke, Fontana Water Company
David Garcia, City of Riverside Public Utility
Cecilia Griego, City of Redlands
Don Lee, Tetrattech
Kip Sturgeon, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
Melody McDonald, San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District
George Aguilar, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
John Mura, East Valley Water District
Steve Copelan, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
Seth J. Zielke, Fontana Water Company
Jack Nelson, Yucaipa Valley Water District
Mark Bulot, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
Thomas Crowley, West Valley Water District
Shanae Smith, West Valley Water District

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M.

- 1. Introductions were made.** – Vice Chair Stacey Aldstadt chaired the meeting in Mr. Araiza's absence.
- 2. Approvals of Minutes** – M/S/C (Crowley/Garcia) approving the minutes of July 12, 2012.
- 3. Election of Officers** – After a brief discussion, it was moved by Tom Crowley and seconded by David Garcia to continue with the Association's slate of officers from the previous year, consisting of Anthony Araiza as Chair, Stacey Aldstadt as Vice Chair, Robin Ohama as alternate Vice Chair, and Douglas Headrick as Treasurer. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Update on SBVMWD Activities** – George Aguilar reported that Valley District installed two new wells for the newly restated Baseline Feeder, a partnership with West Valley Water District as the operators. Water is currently being received from the Encanto Booster from the City of San Bernardino. Mr. Aguilar also reported that Valley District is also looking at a number of studies to assess where water is being spread in the basin and potentially adding spreading grounds to Jerry Eaves Park in the City of Rialto. The study will assess how this will effect wells currently utilized by West Valley Water District to treat perchlorate. Mr. Aguilar also reported Valley District is considering

ways to exchange water through the Exchange Plan with Bear Valley Mutual Water Company to plan ahead for wet years and spreading water in the river. Mr. Aguilar encouraged the Association to submit projects to SAWPA to get in the queue for future funding. A discussion ensued regarding the gates and budget based rate structure previously protested by water leaders, as well as state requirements and mandates for funding, predicated on bonds sales.

5. Legislative Update – Mr. Mura reported that the Governor signed Assemblymember Carter’s bill, which provides for the water and sewer side automatically passing through during rate increases. If another agency handles your waste, it will pass through as long as it is identified as a percentage in the agency’s rate structure.

6. Other –

No other items reported at the meeting.

7. Committee Reports & Schedules:

- Habitat Conservation Plan Committee – No report for this item.
- Recharge Committee – The Daily Flow Report was distributed to the group for review.
- Basin Technical Advisory Committee-Tom Crowley reported that at the BTAC meeting, Douglas Headrick reported on State Project Water (SWP) availability consisting of 7,000 acre feet, including 10,000 acre feet in banking. Valley District staff is recommending to their Board the sale of 30,000 acre feet of water to Metropolitan Water District, as it may put 5,000 acre feet of water into Bunker Hill Basin based on the Conjunctive Use rules. Mr. Crowley stated the goal is to use a total of 35,000 acre feet of water for the year, with the initial 30,000 acre feet taking delivery at banks with no transmission costs.
- Santa Ana Sucker Task Force –Stacey Aldstadt reported that the court moved on its own motion to appear on the September 20, 2012. A collaborative meeting is scheduled that same day, September 13, 2012 to discuss the issues.

8. Additional Items/Comments, Suggestions for Next Meeting –

Melody McDonald reported that the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District’s Board approved the East Branch Exchange Phase II project. Ms. McDonald also reported on the condemnation regarding title of Mill Creek property and their support from the City of Redlands.

9. Next Meeting – The next meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2012, at 9:30 a.m. at the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District.

10. Adjourn - The meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.