Basin Technical Advisory Committee

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BASIN TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2022 – 1:30 P.M.

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AGENDA

June 6, 2022, 1:30 p.m.

- 1) Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions
- 2) Approval of Minutes
 - A. April 4, 2022 Meeting
- 3) New Business
 - A. Preliminary Regional Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment
 - B. Discussion of Regional Water Demand Trends
 - C. Presentation on the Future of Consumer-Empowered, Smart Agency Water Management by Subeca
 - D. Status Update on SWP Supplies for 2022

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- 4) Old Business and Updates
 - A. Report from the Engineering Subcommittee
 - Status Update on SBB Storage and Operational Ranges
 - B. Report from the Water Conservation Subcommittee
 - C. Report from the Project Review Subcommittee
- 5) Other Business
 - A. Confirm Next Meeting Date of August 1, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.
- 6) Adjourn

MINUTES OF THE BASIN TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING NO. 117

April 4, 2022

Guests attended:

Miguel Guerrero, San Bernardino Municipal Water Department Robin Ohama, San Bernardino Municipal Water Department Steve Miller, San Bernardino Municipal Water Department Devin Arciniega, San Bernardino Municipal Water Department Warren Huang, San Bernardino Municipal Water District Paul Kielhold, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District T.Milford Harrison, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Gil Botello, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District June Hayes, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Bob Tincher, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Shavonne Turner, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Adekunle Ojo, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Cindy Saks San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Wen Huang, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Matt Howard, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Jose Macedo, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Daniel Cozad, San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District Melody McDonald, San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District Robert Stewart, San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District Joseph Zoba, Yucaipa Valley Water District Madeline Blua, Yucaipa Valley Water District Joyce McIntire, Yucaipa Valley Water District Chris Mann, Yucaipa Valley Water District Jennifer Ares, Yucaipa Valley Water District Brian Dickinson, City of Colton

Van Jew, West Valley Water District

Linda Jadeski, West Valley Water District

Mallory Gandara, Western Municipal Water District

Don Lee, Tetra Tech

Greg Herzog, Riverside Public Utilities

Leo Fernando, Riverside Public Utilities

Michael Plinski, Riverside Public Utilities

Rocky Welborn, East Valley Water District

Jeff Noelte, East Valley Water District

Ian Achimore, Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority

Jesus Gastelum, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District

John Harris, City of Redlands

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions.

The meeting of the Basin Technical Advisory Committee was called to order by Greg Herzog at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Agenda Item 2. Approval of Minutes.

A. Approval of the Minutes of the February 7, 2022, meeting.

Bob Tincher moved to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2022, meeting, Greg Herzog seconded. The summary notes were accepted with no comments.

Agenda Item 3. New Business

A. 2022 State Water Project Supply Update

Bob Tincher commenced his update by providing a detailed overview of the main reasons why allocations was reduced to five percent, highlighting the precipitation that feeds Oroville Dam, the primary storage facility for the State Water Project. At the end of last year, the trajectory was the highest since 2016, but then in January, it stopped raining. Valley District worked with all the retail agencies that receive direct delivery of State Project Water and developed contingencies and worked together to lower the allocations collectively.

No action was needed, item was received and filed.

B. Proposed Exchange Agreement Between Valley District and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Bob Tincher introduced the item highlighting how this exchange framework agreement we have will not only benefit Metropolitan but also the region.

This agreement interties Valley District with Metropolitan as they both have a coordinated operating agreement where both Board of Directors agreed to share facilities wherever possible. This agreement is the next step in that process. This newer agreement is more about exchanges and how we can exchange water with each other and includes caps on how much water can be exchanged. This agreement gives each agency access to each other's facilities including the Diamond Valley Reservoir south of our service area. This is essential for both agencies to be able to operate during an emergency. The biggest takeaway is the cap in exchanges and how they work, both parties must agree to the exchange. Mr. Tincher highlighted an exchange that is currently planned for 2022, and closed out highlighting this agreement has potential to benefit our region during a time when we may be struggling, having this mutual aid arrangements in place where both Boards have approved them, allows us to assist and support the customers.

No action was needed, item was received and filed.

C. Proposed Changes to Valley District's Water Use Efficiency and Conservation Investments

Adekunle Ojo commenced his presentation by providing an update on the process Valley District and retailers have embarked on for the past year providing updates and options to the Boards. Valley District has gone back to the retailers to inquire about current priorities and goals and changes needed to be incorporated. As result, the proposition to the Board has shifted from dollars to water savings. Mr.Ojo said, we are getting close to an agreement how Valley District delivers value to the retail agencies and customers.

Mr.Ojo presented a tool that shifts the focus from spending to saving, known as the RAAMP reporting dashboard and incentive schedule. This tool can be used by retail water agencies to plan for conservation spending and how much water can be saved and prioritize as needed. The reporting schedule ensures Valley District investment does not exceed the \$179/af. Mr.Ojo concluded his presentation requesting a special BTAC meeting the following week to gain the support for this plan prior to taking the item to the Board of Directors. Mr. Daniel Cozad made a recommendation to bring this item to the Conservation committee, to talk through details and provide feedback.

Mr.Daniel Cozad made the motion, Mr. Greg Herzog seconded. The motion was approved.

D. Discuss Level 2 of the Regional Water Supply Contingency Plan

Matt Howard started his presentation with an overview of Governor Newsom's Executive Order shifting public water agencies individual water shortage contingency plans to a minimum of Level 2. The order also asked the State Board consideration of ban on watering decorative grass around commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII) buildings. Mr. Howard then highlighted the factors that lead to a shortage of water and added the 2020 IRUWMP Regional WCSP is independent of the WSCPs adopted by each of the retail urban water suppliers in the region and does not dictate the water shortage levels and response actions implemented by each of the retail agencies.

Mr. Howard highlighted the Regional Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP) is independent of the Individual retail urban water suppliers water suppliers water shortage contingency plan and doesn't dictate the water shortage levels or response actions to be implemented by each of the retail agencies. This means Valley District's water shortage contingency plan is different than and will have a different response action.

The Regional WSCP structure and response action was covered, Mr. Howard explained the impacts of being shifted to Level 2. Response actions include using ground water in storage, by maximizing stormwater capture and SWP recharge into groundwater basins during wet year. Maximizing SWP supplies by continuing to maximize imported SWP water for direct deliveries/groundwater recharge. Maintaining ongoing water efficiency. Using public outreach to inform and educate the public about local water conditions, planned projects to improve water supply reliability and water use efficiency. If needed, the BTAC can recommend a voluntary demand reduction by retail agencies during the Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment. This item will be brought back to the BTAC in June as part of the Water Supply and Demand Assessment that each retailer needs to submit to DWR. Adekunle recommended this item taken to the Conservation committee, Mr. Greg Herzog concurred.

No action was needed, item was received and filed.

Agenda Item 4. Old Business

A. Report from the Engineering Subcommittee

The Engineering Subcommittee did not meet. No report was given.

B. Report from the Water Conservation Subcommittee

Jennifer Ares of Yucaipa Valley Water District announced the Water Conservation subcommittee meeting was postponed and highlighted efforts by Shavonne Turner and Adekunle Ojo to coordinating meetings regarding the rebate program presented in today's meeting. Devin Arciniega provided a Solar Challenge update for the event taking place May 20-22 highlighted by seven Inland Empire schools, the topic of this year's event is Recharging communities through groundwater.

C. Report from the Project Review Subcommittee Greg Herzog had no report for the meeting.
Agenda Item 5. Other Business
A. Next Meeting Date is scheduled for June 6, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

Agenda Item 6. Adjourn.

There being no further business, Greg Herzog adjourned the meeting at 2:24 p.m.

APPROVAL CERTIFICATION I hereby certify to approval of the foregoing Minutes of the Groundwater Council.
Secretary Date

Respectfully submitted,

Jose Macedo Clerk of the Board