



PROJECT AGREEMENT 23 COMMITTEE
Santa Ana River Conservation and Conjunctive Use Program (SARCCUP)
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 4, 2018

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas P. Evans, Chair, Western Municipal Water District Board Vice President
Jasmin A. Hall, Vice Chair, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Board Secretary/Treasurer (8:34 a.m.)
Paul D. Jones, Eastern Municipal Water District General Manager
Michael Markus, Orange County Water District General Manager

ALTERNATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT [Non-Voting]

None.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark Bulot, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Board President

MEMBER AGENCY STAFF PRESENT

Eastern Municipal Water District
Brian Powell

San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
Bob Tincher
Heather Dyer

Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Jason Pivovarovoff
Joshua Aguilar

Western Municipal Water District
Craig Miller
Ryan Shaw

Orange County Water District
None

Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority
Mark Norton
Karen Williams
Larry McKenney
Dean Unger
Ian Achimore
Kelly Berry

OTHERS PRESENT

Woodard & Curran: Brian Dietrick | Scott Goldman

1. CALL TO ORDER (Thomas P. Evans, Chair)

The regular meeting of the PA 23 Committee was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chair Evans at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: August 7, 2018

MOVED, approve the August 7, 2018 meeting minutes.

Result:	Adopted (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Jones/Hall
Ayes	Evans, Hall, Jones, Markus
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	Bulot

The Committee next considered Agenda Item No. 4.E.

4. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

A. SARCCUP CONJUNCTIVE USE PROJECT UPDATE (PA23 2018.2)

Brian Dietrick, Woodard & Curran, provided the PowerPoint presentation contained in the agenda packet (pages 9-16) with the updated SARCCUP Project Schedule. Committee Member Jones noted the importance of tracking dry year production yield of the various basins (up to 150,000 AF) compared to what was proposed under the original plan (up to 180,000 AF).

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 4.A.

B. SARCCUP DETAILED SCHEDULE

Brian Dietrick, Woodard & Curran reviewed the SARCCUP detailed schedule contained in the agenda packet (pages 17-25).

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 4.B.

C. SARCCUP CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) COMPLIANCE

Joshua Aguilar, IEUA, provided an oral report on the joint Environmental Impact Report (EIR). All field surveys have been completed and the draft EIR was published in November 2018; the review period will close at the end of December 2018. They are on schedule to finalize the EIR and present it to the IEUA Board in February 2019 and to the OCWD and WMWD Boards in March 2019.

Brian Powell, EMWD, provided an oral report on the San Jacinto Basin Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The EIR was completed in June 2018; no comments were received. Their CEQA is complete and construction has commenced on well drilling and some pipelines; recharge basin construction should commence in early 2019.

Heather Dyer, SBVWMD, provided an oral report on the Santa Ana Sucker Habitat Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The administrative draft is completed and in various stages of review. They anticipate release of the draft EIR in mid-January 2019, with finalization in April 2019. They are also working on environmental permitting; Hole Creek and Anza Creek are anticipated to commence construction in September 2019.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 4.C.

D. METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT AGREEMENT STATUS

Brian Powell, EMWD, noted the draft deal points are in place and the agreement is continuing through the administrative process. Committee Member Jones noted the agreement with the MWD member agencies will be implemented administratively; however, since there has been some uncertainty relative to IEUA's participation, that needs to be resolved before they can finalize their agreement terms and conditions. MWD staff has been advised and continues to be supportive throughout the process.

Bob Tincher, SBVMWD, advised, regarding the MWD agreement with Valley, there are deal points in place, but they continue to be in a holding pattern pending the MWD member agencies agreement. The SBVMWD Board wants to ensure that its surplus water goes to its neighbors in the watershed; staff wants to take to their Board with an agreement that shows MWD member agencies are satisfied.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 4.D.

E. SARCCUP PROPOSITION 84 GRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT AND SUB-AGREEMENTS

Mark Norton provided an oral report regarding the grant agreement amendment and discussions with DWR. DWR does recognize future changes will occur, but there were no details to discuss at this time. Committee Member Evans noted concern we may seem disingenuous due to lack of details; Norton assured the Committee that staff has been very clear with DWR during this process and advised there will be further changes.

WMWD adopted their sub-agreement in November 2018. SBVMWD adopted their sub-agreement in April 2017, and they do have some changes underway reflecting the amendment. EMWD adopted in March 2017, with some slight changes legal counsel is reviewing. OCWD and IEUA adoption is scheduled for April 2019, as they await conclusion of the joint CEQA process. Orange County Coastkeeper adopted their sub-agreement in November 2017.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 4.E.

The Commission next considered Agenda Item No. 4.A.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests for future agenda items.

6. ADJOURNMENT

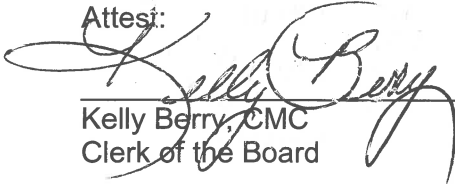
There being no further business for review, Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Project Agreement 23 Committee on Tuesday, February 5, 2019.



Kati Parker, Chair

Attest:



Kelly Berry, CMC
Clerk of the Board