



PROJECT AGREEMENT 23 COMMITTEE
Santa Ana River Conservation and Conjunctive Use Program (SARCCUP)
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
June 5, 2018

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas P. Evans, Chair, Western Municipal Water District Governing Board Vice President
Jasmin A. Hall, Vice Chair, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Governing Board Secretary/Treasurer
Susan Lien Longville, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Governing Board President
Paul D. Jones, Eastern Municipal Water District General Manager

ALTERNATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT [Non-Voting]

None.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Michael Markus, Orange County Water District General Manager

MEMBER AGENCY STAFF PRESENT

Eastern Municipal Water District
Kelley Gage

San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
Bob Tincher

Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Jason Pivovarovff

Western Municipal Water District
Craig Miller

Orange County Water District
Adam Hutchinson

Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority
Rich Haller
Larry McKenney
Mark Norton
Karen Williams
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 8:33 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: April 3, 2018

MOVED, approve the April 3, 2018 meeting minutes.

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

4. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

A. SARCCUP PROJECT SCHEDULE

Brian Dietrick, Woodard & Curran, provided the one-page SARCCUP Project roll-up schedule provided in the agenda packet materials. Committee Member Jones noted their storage agreement had been recently approved by the Hemet-San Jacinto Watermaster and requested updating of the SARCCUP Project schedule to include status of Watermaster approval of the various storage agreements. The storage banks cannot be operated without those agreements, and they are very important to the overall project. Dietrick noted that while only one slide was provided in the agenda packet materials and presented today, there are a total of six slides in the overall SARCCUP Project schedule which contain more detailed information. The Committee requested Woodard & Curran include the entire schedule, not just the roll-up schedule, in all future agenda packets and Committee presentations.

Larry McKenney noted that the Woodard & Curran contract will expire on June 30, 2018; McKenney asked for direction from the Committee as to whether they would like to consider extending the contract at a special meeting of the Committee, or if they would prefer the matter go before the Commission. It was the consensus of the Committee that the matter should go before the Commission for consideration prior to the June 30 expiration date.

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

B. SARCCUP CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) COMPLIANCE STATUS

Jason Pivovarovff, IEUA, provided an oral report on the three-agency EIR (IEUA, OCWD, WMWD) for Water Banking and Arundo Donax Removal. The final EIR is expected by the end of December, which is slightly behind schedule due to the additional time needed to transition from a programmatic EIR.

Kelley Gage, EMWD, provided an oral report on the San Jacinto Basin EIR which is on schedule. The final EIR is expected to be taken to their Board later this month for certification, along with the storage agreement with the Hemet-San Jacinto Watermaster which has been finalized. Gage advised a comment letter had been received from Friends of Northern San Jacinto Valley during this process; they are interested in a wetlands wildlife area to which EMWD provides recycled water. Staff continues to respond to their comments; they will have thirty (30) days from the date of filing of the Notice of Determination with the County Clerk's office within which to file a challenge should they wish to do so.

Bob Tincher, SBVMWD, provided an oral report on the Santa Ana Sucker Habitat EIR. He anticipates the Notice of Preparation will be completed later this month.

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

C. SARCCUP PROPOSITION 84 GRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT AND SUB-AGREEMENTS STATUS

Mark Norton provide an oral update advising the amendment was submitted to DWR on April 25. It is anticipated DWR will respond in 4-5 months; they have voiced no concerns at this stage. Sub-agreements have been revised to reflect the new facilities and have been circulated; staff is awaiting comments. OCWD and IEUA will wait on signing their agreement until after the CEQA process is completed. WMWD will seek Board approval of its agreement once a Capital Funding Agreement is completed.

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

D. METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT (MWD) AGREEMENT STATUS

Kelley Gage, EMWD, and Bob Tincher, SBVMWD, provided an oral update on the status of their agreements with Metropolitan Water District (MWD). They are working with the same MWD staff relating to both agreements. While the goal is for the process to be completed administratively relating to the agreement with MWD member agencies, the agreement with SBVMWD will require an action by the MWD Board. Tincher anticipates completion by the end of 2018, depending on the agreement with MWD member agencies. Committee Member Jones recommended staff provide a presentation on terms and conditions of both agreements to the PA 23 Committee at the August meeting.

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

E. SARCCUP CAPITAL FUNDING AGREEMENT STATUS

Mark Norton provided an oral status report on behalf of Ryan Shaw. WMWD is the lead agency on developing the draft Capital Funding Agreement and will be working with the planning managers over the next few months to finalize the draft document which will be brought before the Committee at the next meeting.

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

F. AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION (AWWA) CONFERENCE PRESENTATION ON SARCCUP

Bob Tincher noted he was compiling a SARCCUP presentation to be given at the June 13, 2018 AWWA conference in Las Vegas. Committee Member Longville requested a copy be provided to all committee members.

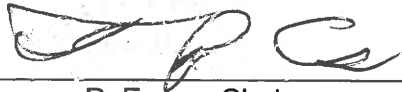
This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 4.F.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Project Agreement 23 Committee on Tuesday, August 7, 2018.



Thomas P. Evans, Chair

Attest:



Kelly Berry, CMC
Clerk of the Board