

**RECORD OF THE MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER**

August 10, 2004

WATERMASTER MEMBERS PRESENT

Banning, City of	Paul Toor
Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District	Chuck Butcher
South Mesa Mutual Water Company	George Jorritsma
Yucaipa Valley Water District	Joe Zoba

WATERMASTER MEMBERS ABSENT

Beaumont, City of	Dee Moorjani
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Consultants Present

Joe Aklufi	Aklufi & Wysocki
J. Andrew Schlange	Chief of Watermaster Services
Traci Stewart	Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.

Others Present

Ray Morris	San Geronio Pass Water Agency
John Jeter	San Geronio Pass Water Agency
Ray Lewis	San Geronio Pass Water Agency
Barbara Voigt	San Geronio Pass Water Agency
Dick Larsen	San Geronio Pass Water Agency
Steve Stockton	San Geronio Pass Water Agency
Luwana Ryan	Cherry Valley
Tom Harder	Geoscience
John Machisic	Banning City Council
Howard Mower	Sharondale
Walt Beckman	Cherry Valley

1. Call to order.

Chairman Jorritsma called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

2. Roll Call:

At the request of Chairman Jorritsma, recording secretary Julie Salinas called roll call. Member Moorjani of the City of Beaumont was absent.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Jorrtisma led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

4. Oral and Written Communication

None received.

5. Consent Calendar

A. Approve Minutes of July 20, 2004

Motion by Member Zoba, second by Member Butcher, and by unanimous vote:

Moved to approve the Minutes of July 20, 2004

B. Preliminary Treasurer's Report

Chief of Watermaster Services Schlange reported the Preliminary Treasurer's Report was named as such due to the need to subdivide the General Engineering costs from Wildermuth Environmental Inc.

Motion by Member Zoba, second by Member Butcher, and by unanimous vote:

Moved to approve the Preliminary Treasurer's Report

6. Resolution 2004-05, Resolution of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster Adopting an Inventory of Water Demand and Water Supplies in the San Gorgonio Pass Region.

Chief of Watermaster Services Schlange reported that the San Timoteo Watershed Management Authority's Board of Directors approved the study and a similar resolution. Mr. Schlange further recommended the Watermaster approve Resolution 2004-05.

San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency General Manager, Steve Stockton, stated that the Agency did not support the findings and/or facts of the study and resolution, citing the 160,000 ac-ft draw down (operating yield concept) to be one of the differences in opinion.

Motion by Member Butcher, second by Member Toor, and by unanimous vote:

Moved to adopt Resolution 2004-05, Resolution of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster Adopting an Inventory of Water Demand and Water Supplies in the San Gorgonio Pass Region.

7. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Extension of Consultant Services of Chief of Watermaster (Task Order No. 1)

Chief of Watermaster Services Schlange reported that at the February 10, 2004 meeting of the Watermaster, Members had voted to retain the services of the Chief of Watermaster Services and Legal Counsel for a period of six months. In reviewing the Minutes, it is necessary for the Watermaster to consider to continued employment of the Chief of Watermaster Services and Legal Counsel. Chairman Jorritsma suggested combining items number seven and eight in one motion.

Motion by Member Butcher, second by Member Zoba, and by unanimous vote:

Moved to approve Task Order No. 1 and extend services of Legal Counsel.

8. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Legal Services.

See item number 7.

9. Statement of Responsibility – Beaumont Basin Watermaster

The Statement of Responsibility was revised following the July 20, 2004 meeting. No discussions were held.

Motion by Member Zoba, second by Member Butcher, and by unanimous vote:

Moved to adopt Statement of Responsibility.

10. Presentation by the Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District Regarding Artificial Recharge Study on Noble Creek (Oda Property). *Oral presentation – For information only*

Senior Geohydrologist Tom Harder of Geoscience presented the study and findings of the Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District's Artificial Recharge Study on Noble Creek. The presentation covered the general geohydrology, the description of the study, which began in 2001, the field investigation results, the pilot recharge test results and conclusions.

Members briefly discussed the presentation. Well 23 (located on the recharge site) and newly drilled well 24 (joint effort by the Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District and City of Banning) were compared.

11. Discussion Regarding Proposed Joint Study between San Geronio Pass Water Agency and Beaumont Basin Watermaster (Lower Noble Creek). *Oral Presentation – For information only*

San Geronio Pass Water Agency General Manager, Steve Stockton, distributed an article by Art Kidman to members of the Watermaster. Mr. Stockton reported that they were ready to move onto phase 2 – Recharge (S. Noble Creek). Project will be ready for bidding in Fall 2004 and they would like support from the Watermaster for in stream filtration.

Phase 1 – Need to discuss how the ODA property fits in, refine Brookside south, develop scope of work (RCFCD), layout all of the things which need to be looked at (approx. \$14,000).

Chief of Watermaster Services Schlange concurred with Mr. Stockton, stating the BBW and SGPWA needed to sit down together and draft a proposal, articulating what needs to be done. Member Zoba further suggested including potential subsequent phases. Chairman Jorritsma inquired on the timeframe of phase 1 to which Mr. Schlange replied it would take approximately 6 to 8 weeks.

12. Adjourn to Executive Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (b): 1 case

Adjourn to executive session: 11:10 am

Return from executive session: 12:15pm

Nothing to report.

13. Adjournment.

Chairman Jorritsma adjourned the meeting at 12:15pm.