

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

February 8, 2005

WATERMASTER MEMBERS PRESENT

Banning, City of
South Mesa Mutual Water Company
Yucaipa Valley Water District

Paul Toor
George Jorritsma
Joe Zoba

WATERMASTER MEMBERS ABSENT

Beaumont, City of
Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District

Dee Moorjani
Chuck Butcher

Consultants Present

Joe Aklufi
J. Andrew Schlange

Mark Wildermuth
Traci Stewart

Aklufi & Wysocki
San Timoteo Watershed Management Authority/
Beaumont Basin Watermaster
Wildermuth Environmental, Inc./BBWM
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Others Present

John Andrews
Dick Larson
Luwana M. Ryan
Kristine Scott
Steve Stockton
Barbara Voight

O'Reilly Public Relations
San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency
Private Citizen/CVAN
O'Reilly Public Relations
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1. Call to Order

Chairman Jorritsma called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Chairman Jorritsma noted that both Chuck Butcher of the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District and Dee Moorjani of the City of Beaumont were absent.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Jorritsma led everyone in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

4. Oral and Written Communication

Chairman Jorritsma asked if there were any written or oral communications for the meeting. Mr. Schlange indicated he had not received any written communications, however, he indicated that Ms. Luwana Ryan had submitted a request to address the Watermaster.

Ms. Luwana Ryan indicated that she had found some significant discrepancies while reviewing the Watermaster extraction figures for the 12 month period ending June 30, 2004 and comparing them to the 12 month figures for the calendar year 2003 obtained from San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency. She said the Watermaster Annual Report listed extractions by Appropriators at 12,609 af while the Pass Agency listed them at 14,119 af. She said the Watermaster listed the Overlyers at 2,369 af and the Pass Agency listed them at almost 6,000 af. She further indicated that along with many small and moderate overlyer wells unreported, this information indicated to her that Watermaster drawdown of the Basin was greater than the Temporary Surplus drafting of the Beaumont Storage Unit would be stating. She asked if anyone could explain this to her.

Mr. Wildermuth, Watermaster's engineer, said one of the reasons for the differences is due to the difference in reporting periods. He also said other variations were likely due to estimates being made rather than the production being reported based on meter readings. He said he would look into the matter and send Ms. Ryan a letter before the next meeting as to his findings. This matter will be rescheduled to the March 8, 2005 meeting.

5. Consent Calendar

- A. Treasurer's Report. General Manager Schlange reported that the January Treasurer's Report would be submitted at the March meeting.

6. Adjourn Watermaster Meeting to Watermaster Workshop

Chairman Jorritsma adjourned the Watermaster meeting to the Watermaster Workshop to have a Presentation by O'Reilly Public Relations and a discussion regarding the local ideas and requirements for conjunctive use at approximately 10:10 a.m.

A. Presentation by O'Reilly Public Relations.

By way of introduction, Chief of Watermaster Services Schlange reminded those present that Watermaster had contributed \$5,000 along with Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District at the San Timoteo Watershed Management Authority (STWMA) to have O'Reilly prepare a public outreach campaign. He then introduced Mr. John Andrews of O'Reilly Public Relations.

Mr. Andrews introduced his associate, Ms. Kristine Scott. They then made a presentation briefly outlining how they would approach developing a public outreach campaign for Watermaster. After the presentation, Mr. Andrews was asked to provide a copy of a detailed outline of the presentation to the Watermaster members for further consideration and to plan to attend the next Watermaster meeting scheduled for March 8, 2005.

B. Discussion: Conjunctive Use Concepts.

Chief of Watermaster Services Schlange began this discussion by reminding everyone that Mr. Stockton had outlined interest by others in conjunctive use of the Basin at the last meeting. Mr. Stockton then indicated he has received a proposal to store 6,000 af in the Basin from Crestline-Lake Arrowhead, which he has provided to Mr. Schlange. Mr. Schlange further reminded everyone he had asked them to begin thinking about what the local requirements or principles for utilizing the Basin's storage capacity should be.

Mr. Wildermuth presented a brief summary of some of his ideas about what should be included as guiding principles and much discussion followed. After the discussion, Mr. Schlange and Mr. Wildermuth agreed to draft a counterproposal to Crestline-Lake Arrowhead.

7. Adjourn Workshop

Chairman Jorritsma thanked all present for attending and adjourned the workshop at 11:34 a.m.

C.J. Butcher, Secretary of the Watermaster