

**Record of the Minutes of the
Beaumont Basin Committee Meeting of the
Beaumont Basin Watermaster
Special Meeting
Wednesday, July 10, 2024**

Meeting Location:

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District
560 Magnolia Ave., Beaumont, CA 92223

I. Call to Order

Chair Art Vela called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

II. Roll Call

<i>City of Banning</i>	<i>Art Vela</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>City of Beaumont</i>	<i>Robert Vestal</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District</i>	<i>Mark Swanson</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>South Mesa Water Company</i>	<i>David Armstrong</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>Yucaipa Valley Water District</i>	<i>Jennifer Ares</i>	<i>Present</i>

Hannibal Blandon and Thomas Harder were present as engineers for the Beaumont Basin Watermaster (BBWM).

Steve Stuart, Dudek, BBWM administrator

Thierry Montoya, BBWM legal counsel

Members of the public who registered and / or attended:

Ron Duncan, San Geronio Pass Water Agency

Lance Eckhart, San Geronio Pass Water Agency

Joyce McIntire, Yucaipa Valley Water District

Alison Edmisten, Yucaipa Valley Water District

Matt Ford, Thomas Harder & Co.

Erin Anton, Yucaipa Valley Water District

Thaxton Van Belle, City of Beaumont

Larry Smith, San Geronio Pass Water Agency

Robert Rasha, Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

Lynda Kerney, Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

Dan Jiggers, Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

III. Pledge of Allegiance: Chair Vela led the pledge.

IV. Public Comments: None.

V. Workshop / Discussion Items

A. Posting of Online Meeting Video Recordings to the Watermaster Website

Member Jagers asked about the nature of the link and suggested the most judicious / accessible method. Mr. Rasha advised that BCVWD records the meeting in both audio and video, but YVWD manages the BBWM website. BCVWD would be happy to coordinate with YVWD for access to the recordings. To start, he said they would likely be posted on the BBWM website, but there is no technical limitation to prevent posting on YouTube or other online platform. Ms. Ares indicated YVWD would take responsibility for posting the recordings on the BBWM website.

It was moved by Member Armstrong and seconded by Member Vela to authorize posting of meeting video recordings to the Watermaster website.

AYES: Armstrong, Swanson, Vela, Vestal, Ares
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
STATUS: Motion Approved

B. Update on Safe Yield Redetermination Technical Report

Mr. Harder indicated that comments on the Tech Memo are being addressed. The Committee had requested a table showing how the new safe yield would look in terms of overlying rights, and it is included in the agenda packet.

It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Armstrong to table items V-B, V-C, V-D and V-E to a future meeting.

AYES: Armstrong, Swanson, Vela, Vestal, Ares
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None
STATUS: Motion Approved

C. Discussion on Basin Losses

This item was tabled.

D. Discussion on Annual Water Budget Analysis for Proposed Beaumont Basin Study Areas

This item was tabled.

E. Discussion on Evaluating Future Hydrogeologic Scenarios Using the Model

This item was tabled.

VI. Topics for Future Meetings

	Item	Date Listed
A	Development of a Recycled Water Policy	3/27/2019
B	Development of a return flow accounting policy	3/27/2019
C	Development of a methodology and policy to account for groundwater storage losses in the basin / groundwater management	3/27/2019
D	Procurement Policy including thresholds for RFP process	8/17/2021
E	Incidental discharge	10/6/2021
F	Monitoring of future west side well sites and methodologies, and potential collaboration with USGS	10/5/2022
G	Discussion on what to do when an Appropriator goes negative	10/4/2023 and 11/1/2023
H	Discussion on Policy to Document and Account for Emergency Potable Water Transfers from Appropriator to Overlying Party (Tabled from 4/17/24 meeting)	4/17/2024

VII. Comments from the Watermaster Committee Members: None.

VIII. Announcements

2024 Meeting Dates:

Wednesday, August 7 at 11 a.m.	Regular Meeting
Wednesday, September 4 at 11 a.m.	Special Meeting
Wednesday, October 2 at 11 a.m.	Regular Meeting
Wednesday, December 4 at 11 a.m.	Regular Meeting

XI. Adjournment

Chair Vela adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Attest:



Daniel Jaggars, Secretary
Beaumont Basin Watermaster