

# Notice and Agenda Special Meeting of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster

**Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.**

Meeting Location:  
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District  
560 Magnolia Avenue • Beaumont, California 92223

*This meeting is hereby noticed pursuant to  
California Government Code Section 54950 et. seq.*

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Members of the Watermaster Committee:

City of Banning	Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District
City of Beaumont	South Mesa Water Company
Yucaipa Valley Water District	

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81638720446?pwd=UnNZcC9TbGZzTGZlMHdhVkRMblczQT09>

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*Meeting materials are available on the Watermaster website:*  
**<https://beaumontbasinwatermaster.org/>**

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**BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING – WORKSHOP  
JULY 10, 2024**

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**I. Call to Order**

**II. Roll Call**

<b>Committee Member Agency</b>	<b>Primary Representative</b>	<b>Alternate</b>	
City of Banning	Arturo Vela, Chair	Nathan Smith	
City of Beaumont	Robert Vestal	Dustin Christensen	
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District	Daniel Jagers	Mark Swanson	
South Mesa Water Company	Dave Armstrong	Brittany Lim	
Yucaipa Valley Water District	Joseph Zoba	Jennifer Ares	

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

**IV. Public Comments** At this time, members of the public may address the Beaumont Basin Watermaster on matters within its jurisdiction; however, no action or discussion may take place on any item not on the agenda. To provide comments on specific agenda items, please complete a Request to Speak form and provide that form to the Secretary prior to the commencement of the meeting, or, RAISE HAND electronically or Press \*9 when prompted for public comment.

**ACTION ITEMS**

*Action may be taken on any item on the agenda.*

**V. Workshop / Discussion Items**

- A. Posting of Online Meeting Video Recordings to the Watermaster Website [Memorandum No. 24-22, Page 6]
- B. Update on Safe Yield Redetermination Technical Report [Memorandum No. 24-23, Page 7]
- C. Discussion on Basin Losses [presentation only]
- D. Discussion on Annual Water Budget Analysis for Proposed Beaumont Basin Study Areas [presentation only]
- E. Discussion on Evaluating Future Hydrogeologic Scenarios Using the Model [presentation only]

## 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

## VIII. Announcements

### A. 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

## IX. Adjournment

### NOTICES

**AVAILABILITY OF AGENDA MATERIALS** - Agenda exhibits and other writings that are disclosable public records distributed to all or a majority of the members of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster Committee in connection with a matter subject to discussion or consideration at an open meeting of the Committee are available for public inspection in the Office of the Watermaster Secretary, at 560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, California ("Office") during business hours, Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. If such writings are distributed to members of the Committee less than 72 hours prior to the meeting, they will be available from the Office at the same time or within 24 hours' time as they are distributed to Board Members, except that if such writings are distributed one hour prior to, or during the meeting, they can be made available in the Board Room at the District Office. Materials may also be available on the Watermaster website: <https://beaumontbasinwatermaster.org/>.

**REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA** - In accordance with §54954.2(a) of the Government Code (Brown Act), revisions to this Agenda may be made up to 72 hours before the Board Meeting, if necessary, after mailings are completed. Interested persons wishing to receive a copy of the set Agenda may pick one up at the Office, located at 560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, California, or download from the website up to 72 hours prior to the Meeting.

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#### **CERTIFICATION OF POSTING**

A copy of the foregoing notice was posted near the regular meeting place of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster Committee and to its website at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting (Government Code §54954.2(a)).

# **Discussion Items**

**BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER  
MEMORANDUM NO. 24-22**

**Date:** July 10, 2024

**From:** Joseph Zoba, Treasurer

**Subject:** Posting of Online Meeting Video Recordings to the Watermaster Website

**Recommendation:** That the Watermaster Committee members authorize the posting of meeting video recordings to the Watermaster website.

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In an effort to enhance transparency, accessibility, and record-keeping, I would like to request consideration that video recordings of all meetings of the Beaumont Basin Watermaster be posted on our website. The current practices by the Watermaster provide access to view the meetings online, but only while the meeting is being conducted. The current video recording is readily available and should be posted online based on the following underlying principles:

- **Transparency and Accountability** - Posting video recordings online will demonstrate our commitment to transparency and accountability. It allows stakeholders and the public to stay informed about the decisions and discussions that impact the Beaumont Basin.
- **Accessibility for Members** - Watermaster Committee members who are unable to attend meetings will have the opportunity to review the proceedings at their convenience. This ensures that all members are fully informed and can participate effectively in future discussions.
- **Resource for Future Board Members** - Future Watermaster Committee members will benefit from having access to past meeting recordings. This will provide them with context and understanding of ongoing issues, historical decisions, and the rationale behind them.
- **Public Engagement** - Making our meetings accessible to the public promotes greater community engagement and trust. It allows residents and stakeholders to stay informed and involved in the management of the Beaumont Basin resources.

Thank you for considering this proposal.

## BEAUMONT BASIN WATERMASTER MEMORANDUM NO. 24-23

**Date:** July 3, 2024

**From:** Thomas Harder, Thomas Harder & Co.

**Subject:** Update on the Safe Yield Reset of the Beaumont Basin

**Recommendation:** For Information and Discussion

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At the June 2024 Committee meeting, TH&Co presented a recommended Safe Yield for the next ten years (2023 through 2032). The Safe Yield was redetermined using an updated version of the groundwater flow model of the Beaumont Basin that was previously developed for the 2013 Safe Yield redetermination. TH&Co has prepared a draft technical report to the Committee for review and consideration. The technical report includes:

- Updates to the Beaumont Basin Groundwater Flow Model Used to Estimate Safe Yield
- Assumptions for Future Basin Management Forecasts for Use in Model Analysis
- A Description of the Model Calibration
- A Summary of the Analysis of Safe Yield
- Findings and Recommendations

TH&Co is in the process of addressing comments from Dudek on the Safe Yield redetermination report and will be prepared to present the final report to the Beaumont Basin Watermaster Committee at the August meeting.

As reported in June, the recommended Safe Yield of the Beaumont Basin for 2023 to 2032 is 7,100 acre-ft/yr. This value is higher than the Safe Yield value for 2013 through 2022, which was 6,700 acre-ft/yr. Accordingly, the allocation of overlying production rights is different for the 2023 to 2032 period. At the request of the Watermaster Committee, we have prepared the attached table comparing the allocation of water rights among overlying parties for 2003 to 2012, 2013 to 2022, and 2023 to 2032. The table also shows the average annual overlying production for the last five-year period (2019 to 2023), which is 1,860.7 acre-ft. The five-year running average overlying production is approximately 26 percent of the updated 2023 to 2032 Beaumont Basin Safe Yield.

**Overlying Parties Production Rights Allocation Based on Revised Safe Yield for the 2024-33 Period**

<b>Overlying Party to the 2003 Judgment</b>	<b>Initial Overlying Water Right through 2012</b>	<b>Overlying Water Right for the 2013-22 Period</b>	<b>Overlying Water Right for the 2023-32 Period</b>	<b>5-Year (2019-23) Average Production (ac-ft)</b>	<b>5-Year (2019-23) Running Average % of Water Right Based on 2023-32 Safe Yield</b>
<b>Sharondale Mesa Owners Association</b>	200.0	154.91	164.16	111.0	67.6%
<b>California Oak Valley Golf and Resort LLC</b>	950.0	735.84	779.77	473.0	60.7%
<b>Tukwet Canyon Golf Club</b>	2,200.0	1,704.05	1,805.78	984.8	54.5%
<b>Plantation on the Lake LLC</b>	581.0	450.02	476.89	248.0	52.0%
<b>Rancho Calimesa Mobile Home Park</b>	150.0	116.18	123.12	29.5	23.9%
<b>Gutierrez, Hector, et al.</b>	10.0	7.75	8.21	1.4	17.3%
<b>Darmont, Boris and Miriam</b>	2.5	1.94	2.05	0.4	17.1%
<b>Aldama, Nicolas and Amalia</b>	7.0	5.42	5.75	0.9	15.0%
<b>McAmis, Ronald L.</b>	5.0	3.87	4.10	0.6	13.5%
<b>Nikodinov, Nick</b>	20.0	15.49	16.42	0.8	4.6%
<b>Beckman, Walter M.</b>	75.0	58.09	61.56	0.9	1.4%
<b>Albor Properties III, LP</b>	300.0	232.37	246.24	2.4	1.0%
<b>Stearns, Leonard M. and Dorothy D.</b>	200.0	154.91	164.16	0.7	0.4%
<b>Sunny-Cal Egg and Poultry Company</b>	1,439.5	1,114.99	1,181.55	4.3	0.4%
<b>Merlin Properties</b>	550.0	426.01	451.45	1.6	0.4%
<b>Oak Valley Partners, LP <sup>(1)</sup></b>	1,806.0	1,398.87	1,482.38	0.5	0.0%
<b>Roman Catholic Bishop of San Bernardino</b>	154.0	119.28	126.40	0.0	0.0%
	<b>8,650.0</b>	<b>6,700.0</b>	<b>7,100.0</b>	<b>1,860.7</b>	<b>26.2%</b>

(1) - Under Resolution 17-02, adopted August 30, 2017, Oak Valley Partners LP (OVP) agreed to transfer its Overlying water rights to particular development parcels, intending to secure commitment from YVWD to provide water service to development phases of OVP's Summerwind Ranch Specific Plan (Project) located in the Beaumont Basin. As of the end of CY 2023, OVP has transferred 478.25 ac-ft of water rights to YVWD.