



Annual Meeting
Tuesday, November 2, 2021
11:30 AM

Via Zoom:

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AGENDA

- Call to Order
- Quorum
- Self-Introductions
- Approval of October 2021 Minutes
- West Basin Watermaster Report
 - ❖ WRP Update – Lourdes Vargas
 - ❖ Administrative Body Update – Esther Rojas/Brian Partington
- WRD Report – Esther Rojas/Brian Partington
- WBMWD/MWD Report – Matthew Veeh
- BAC/TAC Report – Lourdes Vargas/Katherine Nutting
- Treasurer's Report – Chuck Schaich
- Discussions/Announcements
 - ❖ Distribution License and Treatment License Certification – Chuck Schaich/Andy Darlak
- The next WBWA meeting will be held on December 7, 2021 at 11:30 AM.
- Adjourn to Closed Session

President, Lourdes Vargas

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**ANNUAL MEETING
MINUTES
VIA ZOOM**

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

Lourdes Vargas, President of the WBWA, called the meeting to order at 11:40 A.M. on October 5, 2021 via Zoom teleconference. Nina Tarnay recorded the minutes.

Ms. Vargas determined there was a quorum of the WBWA Board of Directors. Ms. Vargas asked for self-introductions.

The following WBWA directors were in attendance:

Lourdes Vargas	Manuel Aguilar
Katherine Nutting	Chuck Schaich
Kate Fugate (for Denis Kurt)	Thomas Lee

The following representatives were also in attendance:

Andy Darlak	Matthew Veeh
Don Dear	EJ Caldwell
Harold Williams	Toby Moore
Vera DeWitt	John Huynh
Rob Beste	Russ Lefevre
Chuck Campbell	Stephan Tucker
Brian Partington	Rudy Terriquez
Esther Rojas	Gloria Gray
Rob Katherman	Michael Hurley
Scott Houston	Leah Portman

WEST BASIN WATER WATERMASTER REPORT

Water Rights Panel Update

Lourdes Vargas reported:

- The Water Rights Panel did not meet last month and will not meet this month. The next quarterly meeting will be on November 2 immediately following the WBWA meeting.

Administrative Body

Esther Rojas reported:

- Pumping in the West Coast Basin: For the new Administrative Year (AY) 2021-22 through the end of August, pumping in the WCB was at 6,135.31 AF which is 47.76 AF or 7.5% more than the previous July.
- Leases: As of October 1, three leases, transferring 3,183.50 AF have been processed (all with flex).
- Watermaster Report: Staff is currently working on drafting the annual Watermaster Report, which summarizes the basins transactions and activities, for AY 2020-21. A draft will be made available to the Panel by October 15 in accordance with the Judgment. In addition, the draft will also be emailed to all water rights holders to provide an opportunity for comments.

WRD REPORT

Rob Beste reported:

- Master Plan: The WRD and the Los Angeles DWP continue to work on the Master Plan to identify potential new replenishment projects using recycled water. The two main recycled water sources identified are the City's Hyperion treatment plant and the Sanitation District's Los Coyotes Water Reclamation Plant. The team continues to work on groundwater modeling effort/material physical harm assessment and once completed, the results will be summarized in a master planning document set to be completed in 2022.
- Brackish Groundwater Reclamation: WRD's brackish groundwater reclamation feasibility study is finalized. WRD is moving to the planning phase and is currently drafting the first RFPs for design, piloting, and environmental for the construction of the new plant and associated wells. WRD expects to release the RFP this fall.
- PFAS Remediation Program: WRD developed a comprehensive Funding Application after receiving input from pumpers in the West Coast and Central Groundwater Basins. Currently, a total of seven pumpers have contacted WRD to initiate the funding application process. WRD is at different stages in the development of the final Funding Agreement with these pumpers, including Board approved of the first agreement with Pico Water District on September 23, 2021.
- TAC: At the last TAC meeting, the committee took a vote to raise the RA by \$8 for the next fiscal year. This amount includes funds for the PFAS program at about \$60 million, almost double the \$34 million originally authorized. After various discussions at the federal and state level, it is clear there will be no federal or state funds for PFAS in the near future. The next TAC meeting is on Wednesday, October 13 at 3 pm. The TAC will be reviewing WRD's CIP budget. With the large cost of PFAS remediation in mind, the District has kept the CIP budget at a baseline level.

- BAC: BAC will most likely meet early next year, after the CIP budget is approved, to discuss next fiscal year's RA.
- Strategic Planning Retreat: The Board recently had its strategic planning retreat. The plan is updated every few years. Staff will be presenting the updated plan by the end of the year.
- The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 7 at 11:00 AM. All Board and Committee meetings continue to be by teleconference only during the Covid-19 restrictions.

Brian Partington reported:

- For the last Water Year, ending September 30th, the WRD index shows we received 6.43 inches of precipitation to date versus a normal of 15.74 inches (as of 9/30/21), or 41% of normal.
- Depth to water in the Carson key well was 65.38 feet on September 28th, which is 1.0 foot higher than what was reported last meeting and 0.9 foot higher than this time last year. Depth to water in the Lawndale key well was 50.7 feet on October 1st, which is 0.01 foot lower than reported last meeting and 0.3 foot higher than this time last year.
- Preliminary numbers for the Fiscal Year 2021-22 (July-August) show that the West Coast Barrier had injected approximately 1,827 AF of replenishment water, of which 12% was recycled water and 88% was imported water. Due to the issues at the Los Angeles Sanitation Hyperion Wastewater Treatment Facility, the WBMWD Advanced Water Treatment Facility has been offline since July 15, 2021.
- The Dominguez Gap Barrier injected approximately 1,504 AF of replenishment water, of which 61% was recycled water and 39% was imported water.
- For the current Fiscal Year 2021-22 approximately 406 AF of stormwater was captured by the County for spreading in the Montebello Forebay as a result of precipitation and urban runoff. In addition, WRD purchased approximately 10,313 AF of recycled water for spreading. This has helped maintain the groundwater basin operating range at nearly 31%, down about 19% from the start of the Water Year (10/1/20).

WBMWD REPORT

- Matt Veeh reviewed the WBMWD Report included in the meeting packet.

BAC/TAC REPORT

- Katherine Nutting reported: The TAC met to review the 5-year CIP and is meeting again on October 13th to review and make further recommendations.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Chuck Schaich presented the Treasurer's Report for September. The Report was received and filed.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- Following review, Chuck Schaich moved to approve the September 2021 Meeting Minutes. Katherine Nutting seconded and the Minutes were unanimously approved.

Next WBWA Meeting:

- The next quarterly WBWA meeting will be on November 2 at 11:30 A.M via Zoom.

Adjournment:

- Ms. Vargas adjourned the meeting at 12:07 PM.

Lourdes Vargas, President

Nina Tarnay, Executive Administrator

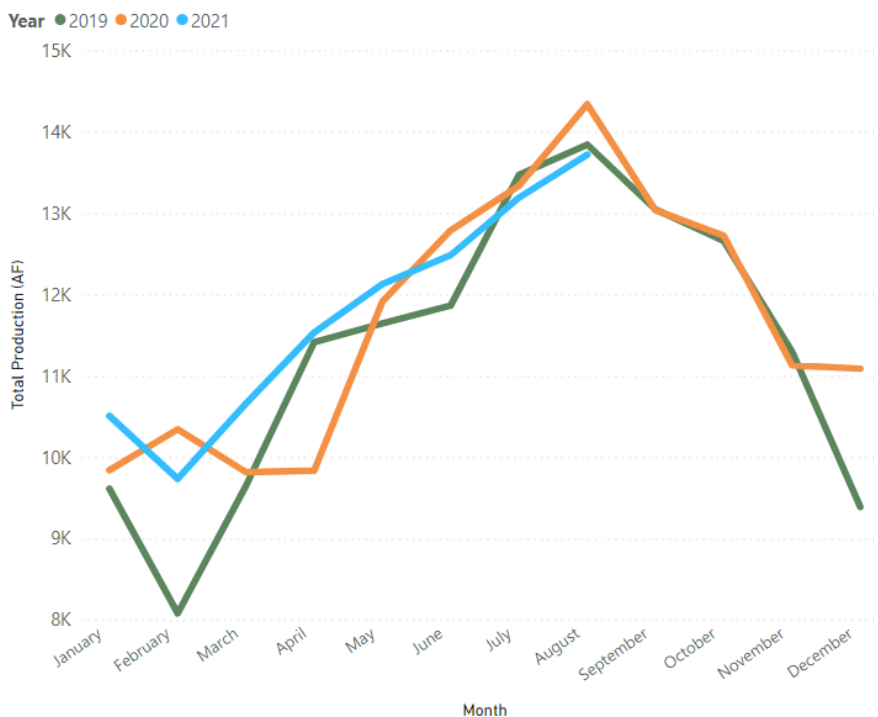
West Basin Water Association Update



WEST BASIN SERVICE AREA PRODUCTION

Reporting Month	July 2021		August 2021		July-August 2021	
Supplier Name	Production	% Saved	Production	% Saved	Production	% Saved
Cal Am	1981.0	0.6%	1971.0	-5.9%	3952.0	-2.8%
CWS Dominguez	2415.0	-2.3%	2450.2	-20.3%	4865.2	-12.3%
CWS Hermosa Redondo	1021.8	-5.9%	1036.8	-0.6%	2058.6	-3.3%
CWS Palos Verdes	1880.0	-2.7%	1852.2	-4.5%	3732.2	-3.6%
El Segundo	534.5	31.3%	1001.1	72.0%	1535.6	55.3%
GSW Culver City	451.7	2.8%	451.5	0.1%	903.2	1.4%
Hawthorne	338.0	-0.6%	334.4	-5.2%	672.4	-3.0%
Inglewood	771.9	-11.0%	817.3	-2.1%	1589.2	-6.6%
Lomita	185.8	-4.5%	188.0	-5.9%	373.8	-5.2%
Manhattan Beach	454.0	-2.3%	454.8	-1.7%	908.8	-2.0%
GSW Southwest	2413.5	-1.8%	2409.2	-5.9%	4822.7	-3.9%
LACWWD29	742.8	5.0%	752.1	0.8%	1494.9	2.9%
Total	13,190.1	-1.1%	13,718.5	-4.3%	26,908.6	-2.8%
% Saved Compared to 2020						

West Basin Service Area Total Production By Month



WEST BASIN FREE RAIN BARREL PROGRAM

West Basin residents may now register for free rain barrels through one of two options - home delivery or drive-thru pickup events.

Home delivery will be available until January 20, 2022.

Pick-up events will be held at:

Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility - Jan. 29, 2022

West Basin's Carson Headquarters - Feb. 5, 2022

More information:
westbasin.org/rainbarrels

Metropolitan to Consider Declaration of Regional Drought Emergency

On November 9, Metropolitan Water District's Board of Directors is expected to vote on a resolution that would declare a regional drought emergency for the Metropolitan service area. If the Board votes to pass the resolution, it could transition the region from utilizing primarily voluntary conservation efforts to a strategy that relies more heavily on mandatory conservation measures in order to reduce water use.

As part of the updated strategy, Metropolitan would defer to local member agencies to determine the number and types of mandatory measures that could be implemented to generate water use savings in their respective service areas. Metropolitan's draft resolution specifically calls on member agencies to:

- Review previous drought response measures
- Implement and impose appropriate mandatory conservation measures and drought-related limitations as set forth in member agency Water Shortage Contingency Plans (WSCP), to preserve regional storage
- Make all reasonably practicable modifications to operations to reduce the use of State Water Project supplies

West Basin's Board of Directors previously declared a Shortage Level One for its service area in July 2021. As part of this action, West Basin has increased its drought outreach efforts and expanded the scope of its conservation programs. In the coming months, the district will continue to evaluate state and local water supply conditions, actions taken by Metropolitan and the State of California to address the drought, and ongoing community water needs in order to ensure reliable water supplies for the region.

West Basin's Water Recycling Facility School Field Trips to Return in 2022

While continuing to offer virtual tours, West Basin plans to bring back in-person field trip options to tour the District's Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility in El Segundo. Eligibility guidelines and other program information available at:

www.westbasin.org/field-trips

Field trips are available to be reserved from now until June 2022 and are offered on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

Upcoming Meetings

West Basin Metropolitan Caucus: November 3, 2021 @ 12:30 PM

Metropolitan Board & Committee Meetings: November 8-9, 2021

West Basin Board Meeting: November 22, 2021 @ 1:00 p.m.