



West Basin Water Association

***Carson Community Center, 3 Civic Plaza, Carson
Adult Lounge***

**Membership Meeting
Tuesday, January 7, 2020
11:30-12:00 Lunch and Social
12:00 Meeting**

AGENDA

- Call to Order / Quorum / Introductions
- Approval of December 2019 Minutes
- West Basin Watermaster Report
 - ❖ WRP Update – Katherine Nutting
 - ❖ Administrative Body Update – Ted Johnson/Esther Rojas
- WRD Report – Ted Johnson/Esther Rojas
- WBMWD/MWD Report – EJ Caldwell/Alex Heide
- LADWP Report – Chris Repp
- BAC/TAC Report – Katherine Nutting
- Treasurer’s Report – Andy Darlak
- Discussions
- Upcoming Meetings
 - ❖ WBMWD Caucus Meeting: January 8, 12:30 P.M. at WBMWD Headquarters
 - ❖ WRD Board Meeting: January 16, 11:00 A.M. at WRD Headquarters
 - ❖ WBMWD Board Meeting: January 27, 1:00 P.M. at WBMWD Headquarters
- The next WBWA quarterly meeting will be held on February 4, 2020, at the Carson Community Center.
- Adjourn to Closed Session

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MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 2, 2019

Mr. Shawn Igoe called the meeting to order at 12:02 P.M. on Tuesday, December 2, 2019 at the Carson Community Center. Nina Tarnay recorded the minutes.

Mr. Igoe determined there was a quorum of the WBWA Board of Directors. Mr. Igoe welcomed the WBWA members and asked for self-introductions.

The following WBWA directors were in attendance:

Shawn Igoe	Mark Andersen
Andrew Darlak	Thomas Lee (for Barmeshwar Rai)
Ron Sorensen	

The following representatives were also in attendance:

Ted Johnson	Russ Lefevre
Diane Gatza	Jim Dear
Chuck Schaich	Rob Beste
John Cruikshank	Alex Heide
Donald Dear	Rob Katherman

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

- Following review, Andy Darlak moved to approve the November 2019 Meeting Minutes. Ron Sorensen seconded and the Minutes were unanimously approved.

WEST BASIN WATER WATERMASTER REPORT

Water Rights Panel Update

Shawn Igoe reported:

- The WBWRP met last month and approved the Annual Watermaster Report and Stipulation for Intervention with Moon Valley Nurseries.

Administrative Body

Ted Johnson reported:

- Ms. Rojas reviewed the West Basin groundwater pumping data on the handout included in the meeting packet (a copy of the handout is available upon request).
- West Basin pumping for the period between July-October 2019 was 9,410.36 AF, or 4.8% less than the same period last year. Three leases have been processed with flex. No water rights sales have been made or processed.
- Hard copies of final 2018-19 Annual Watermaster Report are available upon request.
- All past annual reports, including the 2018-19 Annual Watermaster Report, and templates are available on WRD's Watermaster site.

WRD REPORT

Ted Johnson reported:

- Rainfall is 16% above normal. More rain is expected tomorrow so that number is expected to rise.
- The Carson Keywell depth to water was 62 feet; the Lawndale Keywell depth to water was 54 feet.
- The Groundwater Storage and Planning workshop will be held on December 12th at WRD's office from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Please check with Diane Gatza for more information and to RSVP.
- Mr. Johnson reviewed the groundwater level handout included in the meeting packet.
- Seawater Barrier injection level: 13,000 AF has been injected into the Seawater Barrier, 94% of which was recycled water and 6% imported water.
- PFAS working group met and will continue to meet regularly. More information is available on WRD's website.
- The Annual Groundwater Quality workshop will be held on November 11th at ARC at 9:00 AM.

Diane Gatza:

- The Brackish Water Reclamation Project is moving along well. The feasibility study is wrapping up. Paul Brown is continuing to reach out to stakeholders for input on reports in preparation to close out the feasibility study. Following the feasibility study, meetings will be held in early 2020 to discuss next steps.
- WRD is continuing to work with LADWP on a masterplan for using replenishment water as groundwater recharge. The parties are looking at various sources, including Hyperion wastewater and reclaimed water as a recharge source. Completion of the masterplan is expected in June 2020.
- This Thursday's Board meeting has been cancelled. The next WRD Board meeting will be on December 19th.

WBMWD REPORT

Don Dear spoke:

- Many West Basin directors and staff are at the ACWA conference in San Diego right now. The Board held a special meeting on November 18th to discuss and approve the EIR for the Ocean Desalination project. The meeting was well prepared and attended.

Alex Heide reported

- The next Board meeting will be on December 19th.
- MWD will launch its Stormwater for Direct Use pilot program in January 2020. The Stormwater for Recharge program is expected to provide data on the most efficient and cost-effective methods to capture and use rainfall and stormwater runoff. The \$5 million pilot program will help fund the construction of new direct-use stormwater capture projects and the installation of monitoring equipment on existing projects. The program will focus on direct-use projects, which capture stormwater in cisterns or underground collection systems and use it on-site for non-potable purposes like irrigation.
- MWD will also expand its effort to learn more about the water supply potential of local stormwater capture with a new \$7.5 million Stormwater for Recharge project slated to launch in March, 2020. The project will fund construction of new stormwater projects and installation of monitoring equipment on existing ones. The program will gather data on the amount of water produced by projects that capture local rainfall and stormwater runoff and use it to recharge groundwater basins in the region.
- Funding for Direct Use and Recharge projects will be based on zone targeting and will be highly competitive. Please contact Mr. Heide for more information on these programs.
- **Russ Lefevre spoke:** Mr. Lefevre raised an issue he wants members to be aware of—Met is looking at some difficult problems ahead. Pumping decisions have been based on biological opinions—it used to be on a set calendar basis and not based on fish surveys. There is currently a conflict between the State and Feds on how to base the decisions. Met is siding with the Feds and recommends use of pumps when it will not affect fish. There could potentially be some lengthy litigation between the State and Feds on this issue.

BAC/TAC REPORT

- No update. The TAC and BAC did not meet.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Invoices have gone out—please be on the lookout for them and assist in getting them paid in a timely manner. Andy Darlak presented the November Treasurer's Report which was received and filed.

Upcoming Meetings:

- ❖ WRD Board Meeting: December 19, 11:00 A.M. at WRD Headquarters
- ❖ WBMWD Board Meeting: December 19, 1:00 P.M. at WBMWD Headquarters

Next WBWA Meeting:

- The next WBWA meeting will be held on January 7, 2020 at the Carson Community Center.

Adjournment:

- Mr. Igoe adjourned the meeting at 12:23 PM.

Shawn Igoe, Vice-President

Nina Tarnay, Executive Administrator

EASTERN SIERRA CURRENT PRECIPITATION CONDITIONS December 31, 2019

Weighted Average of Owens Valley Snow Pillows

