

## MEETING OF THE WEST BASIN WATER RIGHTS PANEL VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

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#### **Date and Time:**

Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 12:00 P.M

#### **AGENDA**

- CALL TO ORDER
  - Quorum
- APPROVAL OF May 2021 MINUTES
- WATERMASTER UPDATES
  - Administrative Body Updates Ted Johnson/Esther Rojas
  - WBWRP Updates Katherine Nutting
    - The WBWRP approved renewal of Meter Testing Contract with the Department of Water Resources at the last meeting.
    - o The WBWRP adopted the Proposed Budget for FY 2021-2022 at the last meeting.
- TREASURER'S REPORT Chuck Schaich
- ACTION ITEMS
  - Fill Panel Vacancies 2 Positions Term 2021-2022 \*Under the Amended Judgment, at least one (1) of the open positions shall be filled by a non-Water Purveyor Adjudicated Rights holder possessing at least 1% of the Adjudicated Rights in the Basin. Positions are currently held by Charles Campbell and Ron Sorensen
- DISCUSSIONS
- ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chairperson, Katherine Nutting



#### QUARTERLY MEETING WEST BASIN WATER RIGHTS PANEL VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

**Tuesday, May 4, 2021** 

#### **MINUTES**

Vice-Chairperson Katherine Nutting called the meeting to order at 12:08 P.M. Nina Tarnay recorded the minutes. Ms. Katherine determined there was a quorum of the West Basin Water Rights Panel and asked for self-introductions.

The following West Basin Water Rights Panel members were in attendance:

Katherine Nutting, Golden State Water Co. Lou Vargas, City of Manhattan Beach Charles Campbell, Torrance Refining Co. Chuck Schaich, City of Torrance Ron Sorensen, California Water Service Co.

The following persons were also in attendance:

Ted Johnson, WRD
Chris Repp, LADWP
Esther Rojas, Water Replenishment District
Toby Moore, Golden State Water Co.
Vera DeWitt, WRD
Carla Dillon, City of Lomita
Rudy Terriquez, LADWP
Brian Partington,
Manuel Aguilar, LADWP
Rob Katherman, WRD

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from the February 2021 meeting were unanimously approved and filed following motion by Charles Campbell and seconded by Ron Sorensen.

#### WATERMASTER UPDATES

#### **Administrative Body Update**:

#### Esther Rojas reported:

Ms. Rojas reviewed the Administrative Body Report included in the meeting packet.

#### **WBWRP Updates**

#### Katherine Nutting:

- <u>Notice of Panel Vacancies</u>: Ms. Nutting announced that there will be two vacancies on the Panel beginning July 1. The Panel will vote on filling those vacancies at its next meeting on June 1. Nominations can be made at any time up to and including at time of the meeting.
  - Chuck Schaich nominated Charles Campbell and Ron Sorensen self-nominated. The Panel will vote to fill these positions at the next meeting.
- Extension of Meter Testing Contract with DWR: Ms. Nutting shared that the terms of the proposed contract extension will be the same as the previous term. The contract is for the period 2021-2023.
  - o <u>ACTION</u>: Charles Campbell voted to execute the contract extension. Lou Vargas seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

- Chuck Schaich presented the Treasurer's Report which was received and filed.
- Mr. Schaich presented the Proposed Budget for FY 2021-2022: Mr. Schaich proposes that
  the Panel waive an assessment for the 2021-2022 FY since there are sufficient funds to
  cover normal operating costs for the upcoming year. Typically, an assessment covers a twoyear period.
  - o <u>ACTION</u>: Chuck Schaich moved to approve the Proposed Budget, Ron Sorensen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

• The next WBWRP Meeting will be on June 1, 2021 at 12:00 P.M. via teleconference.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

| Vice-Chair Katherine Nutting adjourned the meeting at 12:24 P.M. |       |  |  |  |  |
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| Katherine Nutting, Vice-Chairperson                              | Dated |  |  |  |  |
| Nina Tarnay Executive Administrator                              | Dated |  |  |  |  |

# WEST COAST BASIN WATERMASTER



**Date:** June 1, 2021

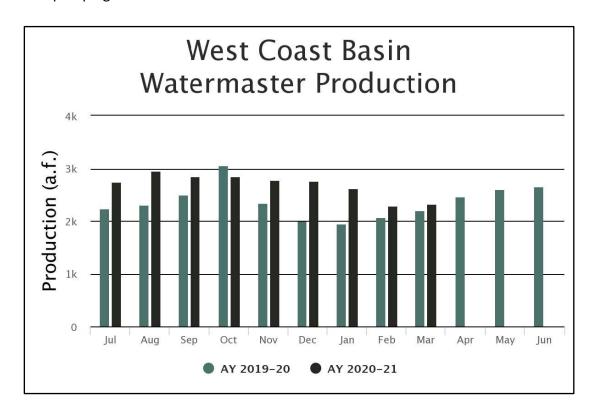
To: West Coast Basin Water Rights Panel

From: Esther Rojas and Ted Johnson, Water Replenishment District

**Subject:** Administrative Body Report

#### **Groundwater Pumping**

• For the Administrative Year (AY) 2020-21 Jul-Mar, West Coast Basin groundwater pumping was 24,200.25 acre-feet, which is 3,491.42 acre-feet higher or 16.9% more than the same period in AY 2019-20. Various parties continue to have a significant increase in pumping when compared to the previous AY, including Tesoro Refining & Marketing, City of Torrance, Golden State Water Company and California Water Service Company. The tables attached provide detailed basin production and basin pumping trends by purveyor. The chart below summarizes and compares the AY 2019-20 and AY 2020-21 pumping.



#### **Water Rights Activity**

- Processed as of May 26, 2021, there have been four leases transferring 3,203.50 acre-feet. All
  leases are with flex. The attached table gives details of these transactions.
- There have been no storage transactions to date for AY 2020-21.

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#### **Watermaster Budget**

• Staff mailed out the 2021-22 administrative year invoices for the Administrative Body assessment on May 19- payments are due June 28. The administrative body budget is the same as previous years. The Panel voted to waive their 2021-22 assessment at the previous meeting held on May 4. Also, staff issued and mailed a check to the Panel for \$63,174.14 for the 2020-21 assessment collected. There is an outstanding balance of \$1,294.11 for the Panel's 2020-21 assessment.

#### **Other Announcements**

- To assist water rights holders maximize their rights for the year, staff emailed out a water rights excel worksheet to active water rights holders. The excel sheet was pre-filled with each water rights holders' activities, such as pumping, leases, sales, etc, and identified any potential "unused" rights for the year. The excel sheet can be used to run various scenarios and provide a comprehensive end-of-year summary of your rights. If there are potential "unused" rights, water rights holders have until <u>August 15, 2021</u> to submit requests for leases, carryover conversion into storage, or sales transactions to us, which is the deadline for transactions to count towards the 2020-21 AY.
- In addition to the water rights excel worksheet provided, we encourage all water rights holders to visit our water rights calculator website, <a href="https://rights.wrd.org/">https://rights.wrd.org/</a>, which was recently enhanced. From the drop-down menu select your entity and it will take you to a homepage for your rights, on the homepage you will immediately see your historical production, summary of your water rights in use and in storage, and if you scroll further down the calculator is still available, where you can insert your numbers or run various scenarios for your rights. If you have any questions about your rights, please contact me or Ted Johnson.



### **West Coast Basin Production Trends**

| West Basin  | July 2019 - March<br>2020 | July 2020 - March<br>2021 | Difference | %Change    |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|
| California Water Service Company (Dominguez)        | 2,890.96                  | 1,925.55                  | -965.41    | -33.39%    |
| Inglewood, City of                                  | 2,650.33                  | 2,193.12                  | -457.21    | -17.25%    |
| Phillips 66 Company                                 | 3,949.76                  | 3,531.30                  | -418.46    | -10.59%    |
| California Water Service Co./Hawthorne<br>Lease     | 513.45                    | 411.47                    | -101.98    | -19.86%    |
| Manhattan Beach, City of                            | 142.76                    | 49.23                     | -93.53     | -65.52%    |
| Eco Services Operations, LLC                        | 340.44                    | 252.69                    | -87.75     | -25.78%    |
| Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles            | 210.44                    | 172.47                    | -37.97     | -18.04%    |
| Shell Oil Co NCWUP                                  | 122.46                    | 94.62                     | -27.84     | -22.73%    |
| Pacific Crest Cemetery Company                      | 47.54                     | 21.11                     | -26.43     | -55.60%    |
| Torrance Refining & Marketing Company               | 616.39                    | 591.27                    | -25.12     | -4.08%     |
| Rolling Hills Country Club                          | 249.00                    | 237.00                    | -12.00     | -4.82%     |
| Los Angeles County Department of Parks & Recreation | 283.67                    | 274.58                    | -9.09      | -3.20%     |
| ABC Nursery, Inc.                                   | 14.00                     | 9.00                      | -5.00      | -35.71%    |
| Lomita, City of                                     | 1.80                      | 0.07                      | -1.73      | -96.11%    |
| Montrose Chemical Corporation of California         | -0.60                     | -0.95                     | -0.35      | 58.33%     |
| Vukelich, Mike Jr.                                  | 0.00                      | 0.00                      | 0.00       | 0.00%      |
| Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts-<br>JWPCP   | 0.00                      | 0.00                      | 0.00       | 0.00%      |
| Southern California Edison Co.                      | 14.97                     | 19.20                     | 4.23       | 28.26%     |
| Kinder Morgan Liquids Terminals LLC                 | 24.82                     | 33.76                     | 8.94       | 36.02%     |
| Hillside Memorial Park                              | 63.57                     | 72.62                     | 9.05       | 14.24%     |
| West Basin Brewer Desalter                          | 91.64                     | 515.58                    | 423.94     | 462.61%    |
| California Water Service Company                    | 6.69                      | 738.08                    | 731.39     | 10,932.59% |
| Torrance, City of                                   | 2,857.77                  | 3,911.11                  | 1,053.34   | 36.86%     |
| Golden State Water Company                          | 2,270.84                  | 3,410.82                  | 1,139.98   | 50.20%     |
| Tesoro Refining & Marketing Co., LLC                | 3,467.99                  | 5,610.03                  | 2,142.04   | 61.77%     |



## **West Coast Basin: Lease Report**

### **Watermaster Administrative Year 2020-21**

Number of Leases: 4 (Flex: 4, No Flex: 0): Volume: 3,203.50 acre-feet

Report Date: May 26, 2021

| Party  | Trasaction Type | Amount    | Recordation Date  |      | Party  |
|--|-----------------|-----------|-------------------|------|--|
| California Water Service Co./Hawthorne Lease | Lease with flex | 1,882.00  | February 01, 2013 | FROM | Hawthorne, City of                           |
| California Water Service Company             | Lease with flex | -20.00    | August 11, 2020   | ТО   | Pacific Crest Cemetery Company               |
| Hawthorne, City of                           | Lease with flex | -1,882.00 | February 01, 2013 | ТО   | California Water Service Co./Hawthorne Lease |
| Hollywood Park Land Company, LLC             | Lease with flex | -282.00   | July 23, 2020     | ТО   | Inglewood, City of                           |
| Inglewood, City of                           | Lease with flex | 282.00    | July 23, 2020     | FROM | Hollywood Park Land Company, LLC             |
| Pacific Crest Cemetery Company               | Lease with flex | 20.00     | August 11, 2020   | FROM | California Water Service Company             |
| Shell Oil Company                            | Lease with flex | -1,019.50 | October 17, 2017  | то   | Tesoro Refining & Marketing Co., LLC         |
| Tesoro Refining & Marketing Co., LLC         | Lease with flex | 1,019.50  | October 17, 2017  | FROM | Shell Oil Company                            |



#### **SLATE FOR 2 PANEL VACANCIES FOR 2021-2023**

PANEL VACANCIES - 2 Positions - Term 2021-2023

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#### **NOMINATIONS:**

Ron Sorensen, California Water Services Charles Campbell, Torrance Refining Company