THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PURE WATER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND REGIONAL CONVEYANCE

September 24, 2024

Chair Camacho called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Directors Alvarez, Camacho, Fellow, Fong-Sakai, Lefevre (teleconference location posted), McMillan, Morris, Seckel, and Smith (teleconference location posted).

Members absent: Directors Crawford and Luna.

Other Board members present: Directors Ackerman, Bryant, Dennstedt, Dick, Erdman, Garza, Gold, Goldberg, Gray (teleconference location posted), Kurtz, Lewitt, McCoy, Miller, Ortega, Quinn, and Sutley.

Committee staff present: Bednarski, Chapman, Chaudhuri, Hattar, Martinez, and Schlotterbeck

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION

David Pedersen, General Manager, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District – Support item 3d

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ACTION-

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS ACTION

a. Approval of the Minutes of the Subcommittee on Pure Water Southern California and Regional Conveyance for June 25, 2024.

Director Seckel made a motion, seconded by Director Fellow, to approve the consent calendar consisting of item 2a.

The vote was:

Ayes: Alvarez, Camacho, Fellow, Fong-Sakai, Lefevre, McMillan, Morris, Seckel,

and Smith

Noes: None Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Crawford and Luna

The motion for Item 2a passed by a vote of 9 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstentions, and 2 absent.

** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS **

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3. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Subject: Pure Water Southern California Quarterly Update

Presented by: Kim Wilson, Team Manager – Program Management, Engineering

Services Group

Ms. Wilson reported on the following:

- Summary of Work Completed
- Conveyance Reaches 1 & 2 Updates
- Potential Pure Water Southern California (PWSC) Deliveries
- Large-Scale Water Recycling Program Grant Updates
- Demonstration Testing Updates
- Outreach Updates

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

- 1. Smith
- 2. Gold

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

b. Subject: White Paper on Direct Potable Reuse Roadmap for Pure Water

Southern California

Presented by: Joyce Lehman, Team Manager, Water Reuse and Process

Development

Ms. Lehman reported on the following:

- Described considerations for implementing Direct Potable Reuse (DPR) for PWSC
- Evolution of DPR in the PWSC program
- Regulatory requirements and implications
- Other DPR initiatives
- Metropolitan's research approach
- Benefits and challenges with DPR
- Operational and workforce readiness

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

- 1. Seckel
- 2. Gold
- 3. Smith
- 4. Sutley
- 5. Dick
- 6. Miller

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

c. Subject: Pure Water Phasing Alternatives

Presented by: Bruce Chalmers, Program Manager – Pure Water Southern

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California, Engineering Services Group

Mr. Chalmers reported on the following:

 Provided an update on PWSC alternative phasing opportunities including background, identification of alternative phasing pathways, cost considerations, and next steps.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

- 1. Dick
- 2. Miller
- 3. Seckel
- 4. Sutley
- 5. Alvarez
- 6. Smith

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

d. Subject: State Water Project Dependent Areas Drought Mitigation Update

Presented by: Winston Chai, Unit Manager, Engineering Services Group

Mr. Chai reported on the following:

- Provided an update on the progress of recommended drought mitigation actions
- Continuing implementation of projects that will provide timely drought relief to State Water Project Dependent Areas
- Continuing development of other projects to be evaluated in the CAMP4W process

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

- 1. Lewitt
- 2. Sutley

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

4. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

The next meeting will be held in January 2025.

Meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Michael Camacho Chair