

FINAL MINUTES
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
Public Outreach Committee
August 8, 2008

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM in the District conference room.

Committee members present: Regina Doyle, Chair
Kristi Markey
David Pendergrass

District staff members present: Stephanie Pintar, Water Demand Manager
Henrietta Stern, Project Manager
Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

Comments from the Public

No comments were presented.

Action Items

1. Discuss Public Outreach Effort Related to Public Utilities Commission Public Participation Hearings Scheduled for August 26, 2008

The committee agreed that if California American Water were to conduct public participation hearings on its application to the Public Utilities Commission No. 07-12-010, the District should publish an advertisement in local newspapers advising the public of the hearings. The advertisement should state that CAW is proposing to remove local control of the Peninsula's water conservation and rationing plan that was developed by the District and modified over the years with input from Monterey Peninsula residents, businesses and local governments. The ad would encourage the public to express their views on CAW's plan at the August 26 hearing, and/or submit written comments to the PUC.

2. Discuss Public Outreach Effort Related to MPWMD Hearing Scheduled for August 18, 2008, to Consider Adoption of Ordinance No. 135 with Urgent Effect

The committee members requested that staff conduct another meeting with property owners from areas that would be affected by the ordinance, in order to respond to their questions and receive input on the proposed ordinance. In addition, a question and answer sheet should be prepared that responds to questions from the public about the ordinance and why it was developed.

The committee also considered if it would be appropriate to conduct public outreach on proposed Ordinance No. 136 that would establish a procedure for adjusting water distribution system production and connection limits. Adoption of the ordinance, could affect the District's ability to issue water permits for projects in some water distribution systems. The committee determined that it would be inappropriate to conduct public outreach on the ordinance at this time. The jurisdictions had discussed Ordinance No. 136 at the August 5, 2008, Technical Advisory Committee meeting and were advised of the issues at that time.

Set Next Meeting Date

A meeting date was not set.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2 PM.