

FINAL MINUTES
**Water Demand Committee of the
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
January 11, 2005**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 PM in the District conference room.

Committee members present: Larry Foy, Chair; Kristi Markey; and David Pendergrass

Comments from the Public

No comments.

Action Items

1. Approve Minutes of Committee Meetings

On a motion by Director Markey and second by Director Pendergrass, the committee minutes were approved unanimously on a vote of 3 – 0.

2. Consider Modifications to District Rule 25.5 (Water Use Credits)

Director Pendergrass made a motion that was seconded by Director Markey to recommend that the Board add a provision to Rule 25.5 that would allow a Site (as defined in District regulations) that is part of a Redevelopment Agency approved redevelopment project additional time to use a documented Water Use Credit. Two, 5-year extension periods would be added to the single, five-year extension currently authorized in Rule 25.5. The motion was unanimously approved on a vote of 3 – 0.

During the committee discussion, it was agreed that the definition of a redevelopment project should be based on California Redevelopment Law. It was also suggested that non-profit projects be incorporated into this definition, or sites that are wholly owned entities such as the Defense Language Institute or Naval Postgraduate School. No consensus was reached on this suggestion. *(Following approval of these minutes by the Committee, this paragraph was amended for accuracy by the Board Secretary, David Berger.)*

3. Consider Modifications to the Expanded Water Conservation and Standby Rationing Plan

The committee agreed to bring this item to the full Board for discussion at the January 27, 2005 Board meeting. A concern was expressed about the language in item 5 of the revised staff note submitted at the committee meeting that would allow the Board of Directors to take “unspecified water conservation actions” during Stage 3. District Counsel Laredo stated that the language would be modified to delete the reference to “further unspecified water conservation actions.” The revised language will state that the Board could intervene when there is some reasonable belief that the water production trigger will be exceeded for the second consecutive month.

During the public comment period on this item, Steve Leonard, California-American Water Company, stated that at the January 27, 2005 Board meeting, he would provide information on the number of water users who must have water audits completed. He expressed agreement with the concepts presented in the staff report regarding changes to the Water Conservation and Standby Rationing Plan. He noted that any plan must be flexible and transparent.

Oral Reports

4. Status of Cities' and County's Future Water Needs Projections

Ms. Pinter reported that six of the eight jurisdictions within the District have submitted their general plan build-out projections. All reports should be received by the end of January 2005. It could take six months to prepare the future water needs projections.

During the public comment period on this item, Steve Leonard requested that the water needs projections be prepared as soon as possible so they can be incorporated into studies on the Coastal Water Project.

Other Items

There were no other items for discussion.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 PM.