

FINAL MINUTES

Water Supply Planning Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

August 14, 2013

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 am in the MPWMD conference room.

Committee members present: Bob Brower, Chair

Jeanne Byrne David Pendergrass

Staff members present: David Stoldt, General Manager

Larry Hampson, Acting Planning & Engineering Division Manager

Comments from the Public: No comments.

Action Items

Consider Development of Recommendation to the Board on Adoption of Resolution No. 2013-14, for Reimbursement of Expenditures for Alternative Desalination Project
 On a motion by Pendergrass and second of Byrne, the committee recommended on a unanimous vote of 3 – 0 that the Board adopt Resolution No. 2013-14. There were no comments from the public.

2. Consider Development of Recommendation to the Board on Approval of Cost Sharing Agreement for Alternative Desalination Project

On a motion by Byrne and second of Pendergrass, the committee recommended on a unanimous vote of 3-0 that the Board approve the cost sharing agreement with DeepWater Desal. There were no comments from the public.

Discussion Items

3. Future of Los Padres Dam and the District's Role

Hampson suggested that any plans for changes in the operation of Los Padres Dam would require preparation of an EIR and all the studies that precede the environmental review. The Water Management District is preparing to send out a request for proposals for preparation of an Instream Flow Study in early 2014. Staff has requested funding for preparation of an Integrated Surface/Groundwater Model that would model different scenarios related to removal or retention of the Los Padres Dam. The District could request money to fund studies related to Los Padres Dam in the next California American Water rate case. The Los Padres Dam could be operated by the Water Management District as an expanded water supply source. The associated water rights would need to be determined. Operation of Los Padres Dam could reduce the costs of fishery protection and mitigation activities and would be an enhanced component of the water supply project portfolio. Stoldt stated that this item would be presented at the next Committee meeting for action on a recommendation to the Board.

4. Update on Ongoing Water Supply Activities

Hampson updated the Board on proposals for expansion of the Groundwater Replenishment Project that would utilize water from the Blanco Drain, or industrial ponds in Salinas. Water rights need to be determined in order to proceed with any new proposals. Hampson noted that reuse of stormwater could be investigated by the Water Management District in the future but other projects must take priority.

Suggestions from the Public on Water Supply Project Alternatives No comments.

Set Next Meeting Date

The committee agreed to meet again on September 3, 2013 at 3 pm.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am.

