

Final Minutes Water Supply Planning Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District *Monday, May 1, 2023*

The meeting was conducted via Teleconference – by Zoom.

Call to Order:	Chair Edwards called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.	
Committee Members Present:		Alvin Edwards, Chair Karen Paull George Riley
Committee Members Absent:		None
Staff Members Present:		David J. Stoldt, General Manager Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Division Manager Thomas Christensen, Environnemental Resources Manager Maureen Hamilton, District Engineer Joel G. Pablo, Board Clerk
District Counsel l	Present:	David C. Laredo and Fran Farina with De Lay & Laredo
Comments from the Public:		Chair Edwards opened public comment; no comments were directed to the Committee.

Action Items

1. Consider Adoption of the March 6, 2023 Committee Meeting Minutes

David J. Stoldt, General Manager introduced Item No. 1

Chair Edwards opened public comment; no comments were directed to the Committee.

A motion was offered by Riley with a second by Paull to approve the March 6, 2023 Committee Meeting Minutes. The motion passed on a roll-call vote of 3-Ayes (Riley, Paull and Edwards), 0-Noes and 0-Abstain.

Discussion Items

2. Discuss New District Report Requirement as a Supplier (Wholesaler)

David J. Stoldt, General Manager provided an overview of his staff report covering Reporting Requirements as a Supplier (Wholesaler). He mentioned as a result of the Pure Water Monterey project coming online the District has delivered 3,000 Acre-Feet (AF) annually of potable water supply to Cal-Am. He noted per State law, the District finds itself as an urban water wholesaler and subject to a few reporting requirements. Stoldt briefly described the four existing urban water reporting programs to include the Electronic Annual Report, Urban Water Management Plans, the Monthly Urban Water Conservation Report and the Water Loss Audit and two new reporting requirements authorized by Senate Bill 606 and Assembly Bill 1668 requiring urban water suppliers to submit an Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment and Water Use Objective.

Stoldt commented the District is still determining what its reporting requirements will be. He said he intends to work with Maureen Hamilton, *District Engineer* and Jonathan Lear, *Water Resources Manager* on their requirement to file a Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) to the Department of Water Resources by July 1, 2023 and will in the future need to submit a UWMP plan on or before July 1, 2026. Stoldt made known and directed attention to the UWMP Guidebook 2020 encouraging collaboration between water agencies and providers in the region. However, he believes Cal-Am has no interest in collaborating in a regional UWMP plan and the District will need to submit their plan individually and as a wholesaler. Stoldt mentioned that the District could reach out to the company in 2025 to see if they have an interest to do a joint UWMP plan. *In response to Director Edwards*, Stoldt stated the assignment will be incorporated in the forthcoming budget and listed under Project list.

Chair Edwards opened public comment; no comments were directed to the Board.

3. Update on Pure Water Monterey (PWM) Expansion

David J. Stoldt, General Manager provided an overview of the PWM Expansion schedule found in his staff report. Stoldt stated Pure Water Monterey Expansion bid packages were advertised on April 17, 2023 and the Monterey One Water Board of Director's is expected to award contracts at their regularly scheduled meeting on July 31, 2023 meeting. He briefly mentioned that Monterey One Water and District staff are overseeing and working on paperwork for Pure Water Monterey Expansion grants totaling \$42 million in federal and state monies to include, but not limited to (see Staff Note for additional information):

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

- 1. Department of Water Resources Urban Community Drought Relief grant
 - The District has an executed agreement
- \$4.8 million funding obtained through the California Budget Act of 2022 for the Pure Water Monterey Project Well No. 6



• No funding agreement in place and overseen by the State Water Resources Control Board

Monterey One Water

Has two grants and are working on the EPA Water Infrastructure and Innovation Act loan agreement.

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Stoldt mentioned that no new information has materialized since the November 24th Workshop, pointed direction to the conclusions found in Exhibit 3-A: Source Water for Recycling and answered committee questions. Stoldt briefly touched upon Cal-Am's effort with Monterey Peninsula Unified School District on Extraction Wells (EW) No. 1 and 2 and noted no further developments have been had. Stoldt mentioned that the District is encouraging the company to make progress on EW-1 and EW-2 and has subsequently followed up with Cal-Am on conference calls on the matter. Farina requested for the General Manager to document his efforts and create a papertrail on Cal-Am's effort or lack of efforts on moving forward with EW-1 and EW-2.

Chair Edwards opened public comment; the following comments were directed to the committee:

(1) Susan Schiavone: Stated an issue identified at the Water Source Workshop was a clog discovered at a pond or at an intake pond and growers were found to still be pumping water at the same time when this was occurring.. She mentioned a solution that was brought forward was the idea of water staggering among the growers.

No further comments were directed to the committee.

4. Review Supply Availability Before PWM Expansion and After; Discuss Proposed Allocation Program

David J. Stoldt, General Manager, provided an overview of his staff note and answered committee questions. Stoldt covered water supply availability prior to Pure Water Monterey Expansion coming online: (1) Firm Supplies include the Pure Water Monterey, Carmel River, Seaside Basin; and (2) Other possible water sources to include Table 13, ASR, Sand City Desal and Malpaso Entitlements to cover shortfalls or additional supplies required to make ends meet in the interim and before the expansion comes online. He mentioned that the intention of the staff report is to inform how the District intends to meet water supply availability during the construction period.

Chair Edwards opened public comment; no comments were directed to the committee.



5. Review and Discuss Executive Summary to the Final Draft Los Padres Alternatives Study

David J. Stoldt, General Manager, provided introductory remarks. Thomas Christensen, Environmental Resources Manager and David J. Stoldt, General Manager stated they can collaborate and present a summary, the alternatives and overview of the highlights found in the study at a future board meeting.

Chair Edwards opened public comment; no comments were directed to the Committee.

6. Aquifer Storage and Recovery Update for 2023

David J. Stoldt, General Manager provided an overview of his staff report and answered committee questions. He noted through April 23, 2023, the Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) program has injected 1,156 Acre Feet (AF) into the Seaside Basin. He noted maximum injection rates and storage may have occurred if: (1) access to the Monterey Pipeline; (2) access to ASR 3 & 4; and (3) Absent Cal-Am outages and slow pump station start ups. As a result of the above-mentioned and covered in the staff report approximately 300 AF of recovery and storage was lost.

Chair Edwards opened public comment; no comments were directed to the Committee.

Suggest Items to be Placed on Future Agendas

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Edwards adjourned the meeting at 4:39 p.m.

/ s/ Joel G. Pablo

Joel G. Pablo, Committee Clerk to the MPWMD Water Supply Planning Committee

Approved by the MPWMD Water Supply Planning Committee on July 6, 2023 Received by the MPWMD Board of Director's on July 17, 2023

