# MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY (MWDOC) WITH THE MWDOC MET DIRECTORS

April 1, 2015

At 8:30 a.m. President Dick called to order the Workshop Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) at the District facilities located in Fountain Valley. Mr. Bob Kiley (Yorba Linda Water District) led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Goldsby called the roll.

## **MWDOC DIRECTORS**

Brett R. Barbre\* Larry Dick\* Joan Finnegan Susan Hinman Wayne Osborne Sat Tamaribuchi Jeffrey M. Thomas (arr. at 8:40 am)

\*Also MWDOC MET Directors

## OTHER MWDOC MET DIRECTORS

Linda Ackerman Larry McKenney

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

William Kahn Mike Dunbar Ken Vecchiarelli **Doug Reinhart** Steve LaMar Paul Weghorst Don Froelich John Kennedy Rick Erkeneff Bill Green **Andy Brunhart Bob Kiley** Kelly Rowe Elizabeth Mendelson

Ed Means Betsy Eglash

#### **MWDOC STAFF**

Robert Hunter, General Manager Karl Seckel, Assistant General Manager Joe Byrne, Legal Counsel Maribeth Goldsby, Secretary Harvey De La Torre, Prin. Water Resources Planner Heather Baez, Director of Governmental Affairs Kevin Hostert, Assoc. Water Resources Analyst Joe Berg, Water Use Efficiency Prog. Mgr.

El Toro Water District

**Emerald Bay Service District** Golden State Water Company Irvine Ranch Water District Irvine Ranch Water District Irvine Ranch Water District Moulton Niguel Water District **Orange County Water District** South Coast Water District South Coast Water District South Coast Water District Yorba Linda Water District

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San Diego County Water Authority

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## ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED

Determine need and take action to agendize item(s), which arose subsequent to the posting of the Agenda. (ROLL CALL VOTE: Adoption of this recommendation requires a two-thirds vote of the Board members present or, if less than two-thirds of the Board members are present, a unanimous vote.)

No items were presented.

## ITEMS DISTRIBUTED TO THE BOARD LESS THAN 72 HOURS PRIOR TO MEETING

President Dick inquired as to whether there were any items distributed to the Board less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

No items were presented.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

President Dick inquired whether any members of the public wished to comment on agenda items.

No comments were received.

#### PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

#### **2015 WATER SUPPLY REPORT**

Associate Water Resources Analyst, Kevin Hostert reported that State conditions are dry and the levels of key State reservoirs are significantly low. Mr. Hostert provided a rainfall comparison over the past five years, the rainfall outlook, the current snow pack conditions, the statewide reservoir conditions, Lake Mead elevation, and MET's dry-year storage amounts. Mr. Hostert also highlighted the State Water Table A allocations (currently at 20%), a historical view of Table A allocations, and the overall current drought conditions.

Principal Water Resources Planner, Harvey De La Torre, then provided an overview of the scenarios MET will consider for implementing allocations in 2015. Considerable discussion ensued regarding the potential scenarios under consideration, how each scenario would affect imported demand and the groundwater basins, views of the MWDOC MET Directors on drawing from storage during this drought, and which scenario would be best for Orange County and which scenario had the most support from the MET Board.

The Board received and filed the reports.

# METROPOLITAN'S 2015 UPDATED INTEGRATED RESOURCES PLAN (IRP)

Mr. De La Torre provided a status report on MET's 2015 Updated IRP. His presentation included background information on the history of MET (including the Laguna Declaration), the goals and purpose of the IRP, a comparison of the 2010 IRP approach and targets to the current approach and process for updating the IRP, the proposed schedule for completion, and an overview of the MET special IRP committee comments. Discussion ensued regarding MET's reliability, the desire for MET to take a more proactive approach to new desalination facilities within its service area, and the need to enhance MET's focus on reliability.

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The Board received and filed the report.

# OC WATER RELIABILITY DISCUSSIONS RELATED TO THE 2015 MET IRP UPDATE

Assistant General Manager Karl Seckel provided an overview of the OC Reliability Study currently underway. His presentation included information regarding MET's IRP reliability goals, the importance of the IRP to this study, as well as an overview of the various points of reliability (system and supply).

Mr. Seckel highlighted the importance of MET's IRP to the OC Reliability Study and issues that would be important for MET and Orange County to address as MET moves forward with their IRP. These issues include a system analysis of a concurrent outage of the CRA and SWP to determine how demands will be met, an evaluation of climate variability impacts, the concept of managing groundwater storage within the MET service area, the inclusion of an adaptive management and contingency target in the IRP, the inclusion in MET's IRP of options for MET member agencies who may want to achieve higher reliability than normal under the IRP and MET's water supply allocation plan, water recycling and TDS issues (created as a result of reuse of the water), and other issues.

Mr. Seckel also highlighted the potential effects that seismic and climate conditions may have on Orange County's reliability, MET's role in ocean desalination, direct potable reuse and its implications, and future foundational actions.

Following discussion regarding direct potable reuse, the Board received and filed the report.

(Director Tamaribuchi departed the meeting at 10:15 a.m.).

#### MWD ITEMS CRITICAL TO ORANGE COUNTY

- a. MET's Water Supply Conditions
- b. MET's Finance and Rate Issues
- c. Colorado River Issues
- d. Bay Delta/State Water Project Issues
- e. MET's Ocean Desalination Policy and Potential Participation by MET in the Doheny Desalination Project
- f. Orange County Reliability Projects

President Dick highlighted the need to push efforts on the Bay Delta Conservation Plan and the Board received and filed the reports as presented.

#### OTHER INPUT OR QUESTIONS ON MET ISSUES FROM MEMBER AGENCIES

No comments were received.

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# METROPOLITAN (MET) BOARD AND COMMITTEE AGENDA DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Summary regarding March MET Board Meeting
- b. Review Items of significance for the Upcoming MET Board and Committee Agendas

The Board received and filed the reports as presented.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,		
Maribeth Goldsby Board Secretary		