

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

June 5, 2019

At 8:30 a.m., President Barbre called to order the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Water District of Orange County in the Board Room at the District facilities located in Fountain Valley. Mesa Water Director Jim Atkinson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Goldsby called the roll.

MWDOC DIRECTORS

Brett R. Barbre
Larry Dick
Joan Finnegan (absent)
Vacant
Sat Tamaribuchi
Jeffery M. Thomas
Megan Yoo Schneider

STAFF

Robert Hunter, General Manager
Karl Seckel, Assistant General Manager
Joe Byrne, Legal Counsel
Maribeth Goldsby, Board Secretary
Harvey De La Torre, Associate General Manager
Damon Micalizzi, Dir. of Public Affairs
Kevin Hostert, Water Resources Analyst
Melissa Baum-Haley, Sr. Water Resources Analyst
Joe Berg, Director of Water Use Eff. Programs
Charles Busslinger, Principal Engineer
Heather Baez, Government Affairs Manager
Tiffany Baca, Public Affairs Manager

*Also MWDOC MET Directors

OTHER MWDOC MET DIRECTORS

Larry McKenney
Linda Ackerman

OTHERS PRESENT

Adan Ortega
Brent Yamasaki
Jose Vergara
Mark Monin
Mike Dunbar
Steve LaMar
Doug Reinhart
Peer Swan
Paul Cook
Paul Weghorst
Jim Atkinson
Stacy Taylor
Don Froelich
Jose Solorio
Kelly Rowe
John Kennedy
Adam Hutchinson
Sandra Jacobs
Dennis Erdman

MET Director, Fullerton
Metropolitan Water District of So. California
El Toro Water District
El Toro Water District
Emerald Bay Service District
Irvine Ranch Water District
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Mesa Water
Mesa Water
Moulton Niguel Water District
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Orange County Water District
Orange County Water District
Orange County Water District
Santa Margarita Water District
South Coast Water District

Brooke Jones
Mat Forester
Larry Crandall
Bob McVicker
Kristy Khachigian
Nicholas Dibs

Yorba Linda Water District
Division 3 Candidate
Division 3 Candidate
Division 3 Candidate
Kristy Khachigian Consulting

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

No public comments were made.

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

No items were presented.

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

INPUT OR QUESTIONS ON MET ISSUES FROM THE MEMBER AGENCIES/MET DIRECTOR REPORTS REGARDING MET COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION

Director Ackerman highlighted California WaterFix activities.

Director Dick expressed some concern with the proposed \$200,000 expenditure for the California Resilience Challenge (on the MET Board Consent Calendar). He also highlighted the proposed \$1.26 million expenditure to purchase insurance coverage for MET's Property and Casualty Insurance Program, the proposed \$696,000 expenditure for the Colorado River Board and Colorado River Authority, as well as reporting that MET is interviewing the final candidates for the Ethics Officer position.

City of Fullerton MET Director, Adan Ortega, concurred with Director Dick's concerns relative to the California Resilience Challenge expenditure and he also commented on the California WaterFix activities.

Considerable discussion ensued regarding the California WaterFix activities (communication/education issues, the steps necessary to get to completion, the need for a 6-9K cfs pipe, and the potential for natural disaster, e.g., an earthquake).

WATER SUPPLY CONDITIONS UPDATE

The Board received and filed the report that was included in the packet of materials; no presentation was made.

PRESENTATION BY BRENT YAMASAKI REGARDING MET'S OPERATING PLAN FOR 2019 AND MET'S EMERGENCY DELIVERY CONCEPT

Mr. Brent Yamasaki (MET's Interim Chief of Operations) presented an overview of MET's 2019 Annual Operating Plan and Emergency Delivery concept.

Mr. Yamasaki advised that MET's Annual Operating Plan (Plan) provides a framework for strategic operations and continued reliability, as well as a tool to communicate expected future operations to help MET's member agencies and partners better prepare for the upcoming year. He provided an overview of the Plan, how it was developed, the analyses of balancing operations through varying conditions (as well as being prepared for a range of conditions), maintaining a high level of storage reserves, and supply and demand balance. Mr. Yamasaki also provided an overview of the Water Surplus and Drought Management Plan (WSDM) and how the WSDM Plan provided guidelines to prioritize the use of storage in shortage conditions, and the replenishment of storage in surplus conditions.

Mr. Yamasaki then presented information regarding the potential concept for emergency deliveries of member agency water supplies (utilizing the MET system in an emergency), noting that this concept is intended to provide MET's member agencies the ability to deliver water supplies through MET's system under specific emergency conditions in which MET is physically unable to make deliveries to an operable existing member agency service connection due to damage associated with a natural disaster or other catastrophic event, for a period greater than seven days. Included in his presentation were emergency scenarios and examples. He noted that emergency water deliveries should be considered in a proactive and measured way (before a major emergency), that emergency deliveries must not displace other agency efforts to prepare for emergencies, that amendments to MET's Administrative Code will be required, and that this will be presented to the MET Board in June (as Information item) with anticipated action by the MET Board in July.

Following discussion, the Board thanked Mr. Yamasaki and received and filed the report as presented.

CALIFORNIA WATERFIX ACTIVITIES UPDATE

No additional information was discussed; the Board received and filed the staff report.

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
- g. East Orange County Feeder No. 2

h. South County Projects

The information was received and filed.

METROPOLITAN (MET) BOARD AND COMMITTEE AGENDA DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Summary regarding May MET Board Meetings
- b. Review items of significance for the upcoming MET Board and Committee Agendas

The information was received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Maribeth Goldsby
Board Secretary