## SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223 Minutes of the Board of Directors Engineering Workshop March 14, 2016

**Directors Present:** John Jeter, President

Blair Ball, Director

Bill Dickson, Vice President

Ron Duncan, Director David Fenn, Director

Mary Ann Melleby, Director Leonard Stephenson, Director

**Staff Present:** Jeff Davis, General Manager

Jeff Ferre, General Counsel

Cheryle Rasmussen, Executive Assistant

- 1. Call to Order, Flag Salute and Roll Call. The Engineering workshop of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Board of Directors was called to order by President John Jeter at 4:00 p.m., March 14, 2016 in the Agency Board room at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California. Director Dickson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. A quorum was present. President Jeter turned the meeting over to Vice President Dickson, Chair of the Engineering Committee.
- **2. Public Comment.** No member of the public wished to speak at this time.
- 3. Update on Water Supply Conditions. General Manager Davis presented two slides summarizing the Sierra snowpack and Lake Oroville storage as of today. He noted that Lake Oroville storage is at 97% of normal for the date and is likely to exceed 100% of normal soon. He also noted that the snowpack is approximately 90% of the April 1 average. He explained that this will likely lead to an increase in the Table A allocation of somewhere between 40% and 50% from the current 30%. He indicated that the Agency should be able to deliver all the water this year by using Valley District capacity in EBX 2, which is possible due to the adoption of the Third Joint Facilities Agreement last year.
- 4. Update on East Branch Extension Phase 2. General Manager Davis presented an overview of the East Branch Extension, including the original construction, Phase 1, Phase 1 Improvements, and Phase 2. He summarized the construction that still needs to be performed on EBX 2 and showed pictures of the ongoing construction. He noted that construction should end in December, with startup beginning next January and lasting 3-6 months.

- 5. Update on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. A copy of the Mission Springs Water District's application to be the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for one section of land within the San Gorgonio Sub-Basin was included in the agenda package. General Manager Davis presented a slide show on SGMA, including a summary of its goals, timetable of some key issues, and the results of recent meetings of local water agencies. He informed the Board that it may want to consider being a part of any Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) formed within the Agency's service area. The consensus of the Board was that it would like to do this, and gave general direction to General Manager Davis to monitor applications for GSA's in the region and to take necessary steps to apply as GSA's at an appropriate time in the future. No formal action was taken besides this general direction.
- 6. Discussion of Special Joint Board Meeting. General Manager Davis indicated that he added this item to the agenda in the event the Board wanted to discuss the special joint board meeting of March 10 in which regional water supply issues were discussed. The Board discussed this meeting and expressed opinions regarding its effectiveness, along with the potential effectiveness of a facilitated process to accomplish similar goals. The Board acknowledged that it has previously voted to participate in a facilitated process with other local water districts and cities and expressed a desire to begin this process. No specific direction was given other than for the General Manager to determine if a facilitated process could begin in the near future.

## 7. Announcements:

- A. Regular Board Meeting, **March 21**, 2016 at 7:00 pm.
- B. San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance, March 23, 2016
  - 1. Business Meeting at 5:00 pm—Banning City Hall Conference Room
  - 2. Presentation at 6:00 pm—Banning City Council Chambers
- C. Finance and Budget Workshop, March 28, 2016 at 4:00 pm.
- **8. Adjournment:** Chairman Dickson adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Jeffrey Davis, Secretary to the Board