

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223
Minutes of the
Board of Directors Engineering Workshop
March 12, 2018

Directors Present: David Fenn, President
Blair Ball, Director
David Castaldo, Director
Ron Duncan, Director
Steve Lehtonen, Director
Leonard Stephenson, Director
Michael Thompson, Director

Staff Present: Jeff Davis, General Manager
Jeff Ferre, General Counsel
Cheryle Stiff, Executive Assistant
Mandy Parkes, IERCD
Jasmine Orozco, IERCD

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 Director Duncan at 1:30 p.m., March 12, 2018 in the Agency Board room at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California. Director Duncan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. A quorum was present.

2. Public Comment. No members of the public wished to speak at this time.

3. Demonstration of Groundwater Model by Inland Empire Resource Conservation District. Mandy Parkes and Jasmine Orozco of the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District (IERCD) demonstrated the Agency's tabletop groundwater model and showed some slides of their standard groundwater presentation. General Manager Davis indicated to the Board that this was recommended by the Water Conservation and Education Committee and that he will bring some items to the Board at the next Board meeting related to the groundwater model.

4. Update on Groundwater Quality Modeling for Beaumont Management Zone. A copy of a letter from SBVMWD to the Regional Board and a proposal from GeoScience to perform the modeling were included in the agenda package. General Manager Davis summarized the proposal process for the Board, noting that the GeoScience proposal was the only one received. He also summarized a meeting that took place a week ago at the Regional Board in which postponing the water quality modeling was discussed. The letter from SBVMWD to the Regional Board is a result of that meeting. He noted for the Board that the modeling may be postponed by a few months to as much as four years, should the Regional Board recognize that one model run per decade is sufficient for their needs. He told the Board that he would keep them updated on this issue.

5. Discussion of Proposition 68. Information on Prop 68, a water bond on the June ballot, was included in the agenda package. General Manager Davis reviewed the information with the Board, noting that the Board had asked him to bring this

back for possible consideration of an endorsement. After discussion, the Board decided not to consider endorsement of this bond issue.

6. Discussion of AB 2050. A copy of the bill as currently worded was included in the agenda package. General Manager Davis noted that this is a bill that the Board may want to follow, in that it could cause consolidation of smaller water agencies within the Agency's service area. General Manager David Armstrong of South Mesa Water Company provided some additional information, as he had just attended a meeting on this bill. The Board directed General Manager Davis to keep them informed on this bill as it works its way through the legislative process.

7. Announcements


- A. Regular Board Meeting, March 19, 2018 at 1:30 pm
- B. Finance and Budget Workshop, March 26, 2018 at 1:30 pm
- E. San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance, March 28, 2018 at 5:00 pm – Banning City Hall

8. Closed Session (1 item)

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9
Name of case: San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency vs. Beaumont Basin
Watermaster Case No. RIC 1716346

The Board went into closed session to discuss the subject issue at 2:45 pm. At 2:54 pm, the Board reconvened. General Counsel Ferre noted that the Board had provided some direction to the General Counsel, but that no action was taken that is reportable under the Brown Act.

9. Adjournment: Director Duncan adjourned the meeting at 2:54 pm



Jeff Davis, Secretary to the Board