

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223
Minutes of the
Board of Directors Engineering Workshop
September 9, 2019

Directors Present: Ron Duncan, President
Leonard Stephenson, Vice President
Blair Ball, Director
David Castaldo, Director
David Fenn, Director
Steve Lehtonen, Director
Mike Thompson, Director (arrived 2:35 pm)

Staff Present: Jeff Davis, General Manager
Jeff Ferre, General Counsel
Cheryle Stiff, Executive Assistant
Tom Todd, Finance Manager

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 Vice President Stephenson at 1:30 p.m., September 9, 2019 in the Agency Board room at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California. Vice President Stephenson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. A quorum was present.

2. Public Comment: There were no members of the public who wished to speak at this time.

3. Review of Costs for Fiesta Recharge Project. This item was moved to occur after agenda items 5 and 6. A spread sheet summarizing the costs of the project to date, excluding land costs, was included in the agenda package. General Manager Davis reviewed the costs and answered questions from the Board.

4. Review of Costs for Noble Connection Enlargement. This item was also moved to be discussed after agenda items 5 and 6. A spread sheet summarizing costs to date was included in the agenda package. General Manager Davis reviewed the costs and answered questions from the Board. He noted that the construction is nearly complete but cannot be completed until it is determined whether or not the Agency needs to dig again.

5. Sites Reservoir Update. Copies of power point slides were included in the agenda package. General Manager Davis reviewed the power point slides with the Board, and then answered questions. He noted that four key issues at the current time include affordability vs. permitability of the project; level of participation of the US Bureau of Reclamation; Prop 1 deadlines for all permits and whether this deadline is flexible or not; and whether the project will be included in the Governor's Water Resiliency Portfolio.

6. Discussion of Potential Banning/Cabazon Pipeline. General Manager Davis noted that the Board has traditionally discussed this project every year or so. He pointed out that SGMA may very well determine whether this pipeline needs to be constructed, and when, and that the Board may well want to wait until the

Groundwater Sustainability Plan is completed to discuss this item further. He summarized some of the key issues for the Board if it were decided to move forward, including what it would be used for, who it would serve, how large it would be, what the alignment would be, and what institutional issues need to be dealt with to ensure that water delivered to Cabazon would benefit the customer who pays for it.

7. Announcements:

- A. Regular Board Meeting, September 16, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. After discussion, it was decided to CANCEL this meeting.
- B. Finance and Budget Workshop, September 23, 2019 at 1:30 pm
- C. Joint Board Meeting, September 25, 2019 at 1:30 pm. Location: 380 E. Vanderbilt Way, San Bernardino
- D. San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance, September 25, 2019, at 5:00 pm – Banning City Hall

8. Adjournment: Vice President Stephenson adjourned the meeting at 2:49 p.m.



Jeff Davis, Secretary to the Board
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