

**SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY**  
**1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223**  
**Minutes of the**  
**Board of Directors Engineering Workshop**  
**February 10, 2020**

**Directors Present:** Ron Duncan, President  
Leonard Stephenson, Vice President  
Blair Ball, Director  
David Castaldo, Director  
David Fenn, Director  
Mike Thompson, Director

**Directors Absent:** Steve Lehtonen, Director

**Staff Present:** Jeff Davis, General Manager  
Jeff Ferre, General Counsel  
Cheryle Stiff, 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 Vice President Stephenson at 1:30 p.m., February 10, 2020 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:** No members of the public wished to address the Board at this time.

**3. Review of Directors' Travel and Expense Policy.** At the recommendation of General Manager Davis, this item was tabled to next month's workshop.

**4. Review of YVWD Request for Additional Delivery Points.** A copy of Yucaipa Valley Water District's application for additional delivery points and of the Agency's Ordinance 8 were included in the agenda package. General Manager Davis reviewed YVWD's application for four additional delivery points for purposes of groundwater banking, originally submitted in 2017. He noted that he was bringing this to the Board now because of the recent completion of the Agency's Fiesta Recharge Facility. He indicated that three of the requested delivery points—Wilson Creek Spreading Grounds in Yucaipa, and the Fiesta and BCVWD recharge facilities in Cherry Valley—already exist, and no additional construction would be required. For this reason, he recommended that the Board consider approving these additional delivery points. For the fourth delivery point—the Bunker Hill Conjunctive Use Project in Redlands—this project is not yet complete, and neither the Agency nor YVWD has yet committed to participate in it. Thus, he recommended that the Board take no action on this delivery point at this time. It was the consensus of the Board to bring the other three delivery points to the Board for consideration and possible action in the near future.

**5. Status Report on Fiesta Recharge Facility.** General Manager Davis informed the Board that the Notice of Completion has recently been filed for this project, noting mid-December as the completion date. This would begin the 12-month warranty period. He also indicated that the Agency is currently delivering 16 cfs to

the facility in order to reduce storage in San Luis Reservoir. He noted that last week technicians repaired the connection between the control valve and meter so that the meter is reading correctly now. The connection must still be added to the SCADA system so that it can be operated remotely. Currently it must be operated locally.

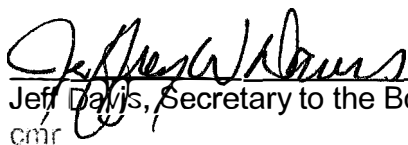
**6. Review of Options for Additional Table A Water.** In response to a request from Director Castaldo, General Manager Davis reviewed the process for obtaining additional permanent Table A water rights. He noted that this has been done previously by several Contractors, including Castaic Lake Water Agency, Mojave Water Agency, Coachella Valley Water District, and Desert Water Agency. However, agricultural Contractors have not recently transferred any more Table A water, in part because of SGMA and in part because of local political pressure. He indicated that the Agency has twice attempted to purchase Additional Table A water from farmers, but has been rebuffed both times. He briefly reviewed other potential opportunities for additional long-term water supplies and assured the Board that the water industry is aware of the Agency's desire to procure additional supplies and he would hear about it if another agency wished to market its water rights.

**7. Review of Voluntary Agreement Framework.** A copy of a PowerPoint given at last weeks VA Plenary Session was included in the agenda package, along with a statement from the Governor's office summarizing the Framework. General Manager Davis reviewed the PowerPoint with the Board and briefly summarized the Framework. He noted that a lot of work still needs to be done and that the Frameworks is just that—it is not complete and lacks a number of details. He promised to continue to keep the Board apprised of the status of VA's.

**8. Announcements:**

- A. Water Conservation and Education Committee, February 13, 2020 at 1:30 pm
- B. Office closed February 17, 2020, in observance of Presidents' Day
- C. Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 1:30 pm.

**9. Adjournment:** Vice President Stephenson adjourned the meeting at 2:38 p.m.



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Jeff Davis, Secretary to the Board

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