

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
1210 Beaumont Avenue
Beaumont, California 92223
Minutes of the
Water Conservation and Education Committee
August 10, 2021

IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19
(CORONAVIRUS), AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNOR'S
EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20, THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM.

Committee Members Present:

Ron Duncan, Chair
Mickey Valdivia, Member
Robert Ybarra, Member

Staff Present:

Lance Eckhart, General Manager
Cheryle Stiff, Executive Assistant

1. **Call to Order and Flag Salute:** The scheduled meeting of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Water Conservation and Education Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Duncan by conferencing/video, at 1:30 pm, August 10, 2021. General Manager Lance Eckhart led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Adoption and Adjustment of the Agenda.** The Agenda was adopted as published.
3. **Public Comment:** There were no other members of the public who wished to address the committee at this time.
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the June 8, 2021 Committee Meeting.** Director Valdivia moved, seconded by Director Ybarra, that the minutes of the June 8, 2021 Committee meeting be approved. Motion passed 3-0.
5. **Status Report on Inland Empire Resource Conservation District (IERCD) Programs:** A PowerPoint presentation was provided by IERCD. Chair Duncan introduced newly appointed Committee Member Mickey Valdivia. Mandy Parkes (IERCD, District Manager) thanked the Committee and the Board for renewing the contract. Ms. Parkes noted that IERCD is a local government agency, focusing on preservation; wildland rehabilitation; sustainable agriculture and forestry; as well as education and outreach to residents within 1,300 square miles of northwestern Riverside and southwestern San Bernardino counties. She introduced her key staff, Shari Tindall (Conservation Educator), and Crystal Valenzuela (Community Engagement Specialist). Ms. Parkes announced that Crystal Cortez will come on board as the Education Programs Manager. She reviewed with the Committee, the Virtual

Programming contract, and its components. She reported on the areas of funding focus; social media components; committee reporting; and support services. Ms. Parkes concluded her report and answered questions from the Committee members. Director Valdivia questioned if IERCD was part of the Inland Solar Challenge. IERCD responded that they have only participated in the judging. Director Valdivia requested that staff provide an update of when the Inland Solar Challenge event will take place. The Committee thanked Ms. Parkes for her presentation. Chair Duncan stated that the next meeting will take place on October 12th.

6. **Adjournment.** The Water Conservation and Education Workshop of the San Geronio Pass Water Agency was adjourned by Chair Duncan at 2:06 p.m.

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Lance Eckhart, Secretary to the Board

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