Minutes

Sacramento Suburban Water District Ad Hoc Water Banking and Transfer Committee Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Location:

Video and Audio Conference Only at 1-669-900-6833, or Zoom at Meeting Id #883 1671 8128

Call to Order – Videoconference/Audioconference Meeting

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Roll Call

Announcements	
Public Present:	William Eubanks, Jim Mulligan and Dave Jones.
Staff Present:	General Manager Dan York, Dana Dean, Jeff Ott, and Heather Hernandez- Fort.
Directors Absent:	None.
Directors Present:	Kevin Thomas and Kathleen McPherson.

None.

Public Comment

William Eubanks (Mr. Eubanks) inquired what the purpose of the Committee was.

General Manager Dan York (GM York) provided reasons for the need of the Ad Hoc Water Banking and Transfer Committee.

Consent Items

1. Minutes of the September 28, 2020, Water Banking and Transfer Committee Meeting

The Committee approved the minutes of the September 28, 2020, Water Banking and Transfer Committee Meeting.

Items for Discussion and/or Action

2. Placer County Water Agency Memorandum of Understanding for Wheeling Capacity

GM York presented the staff report and answered clarifying questions.

Chair Thomas supported the staff recommendation and added that he supported continuing a relationship with Placer County Water Agency.

The Committee approved the staff recommendation and directed staff to present the Item on the Consent Agenda at the next regular Board meeting, with Committee support for approval, pending District counsel review.

3. 2021 Water Transfer Program Update

GM York presented the staff report and answered clarifying questions.

Director McPherson requested staff research ways this could benefit the rate payers, how it could keep rate increase from happening and provide ways the extra revenue could reduce current of rates, and report back their findings.

GM York provided some examples of the benefits of water transfers and expressed staff would report back.

Mr. Eubanks inquired what Director McPherson was asking for.

Director McPherson answered that she wanted specific information from staff on how the additional revenue could impact the current rates.

Mr. Eubanks expressed that the Board could impact the rate increase by voting against it.

GM York reminded the Committee that the revenue gained from water transfers was not guaranteed income, so it should not be used in calculation for future planning, but that the revenue gained could be used towards specific projects as those funds come in.

Jeff Ott expressed that there were lots of options and one is that the additional funds could be placed in reserves and the Board could make future decisions on those excess funds.

Director McPherson expressed that she would like to see the rate payers benefit from the efforts of these water transfers.

Discussion ensued regarding cost savings efforts.

Adjournment

Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

Dan York General Manager/Secretary Sacramento Suburban Water District