Meeting: Phase 2 Reservoir Project Agreement

2019 September 20

Subject:

Reservoir Committee Meeting

9:00 AM - 12 PM

Locations:

Maxwell Project Office

Call in: 1-800-201-7439

122 Old Highway 99W Maxwell, CA 95955

Code:

644237

Chair:

Doug Headrick (San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District)

Vice Chair:

Thad Bettner (Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District)

Treasurer

Jamie Traynham (Davis Water District)

# **MINUTES**

## 9:00 AM - CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Headrick called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL:

Roll was called (See Attachment A), which resulted in 12 eligible representatives. This equated to 57.3% of the current participation percentage being in attendance, which is greater than the 50% needed to have a quorum of the Reservoir Committee. By 9:50 a.m. 3 additional members were seated bringing the total percentage to 81.1% and by 12:30 p.m. 13 members were seated bringing the total participation percentage to 61.7%.

#### INTRODUCTIONS:

The Sites Reservoir Committee members, staff and members of the public introduced themselves.

### ATTENDANCE:

See Attachment B.

#### **AGENDA APPROVAL:**

Chairman Headrick called for approval of the Agenda.

General Manager Watson requested that Agenda Item Number 11(Closed Session) be heard after Agenda Item Number 6 (2019 Ad Hoc Environmental & Permitting Work Group report out) and Agenda Item Number 10 (Participation) to be heard after Agenda Item Number 11 (Closed Session) and, by inference, that Number 12 (Report

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Out from Closed Session) would occur next. Along with changing the sequence of Agenda items to be heard as follows: 10.3 (Updated executive-level description for the preferred Project), 10.1 (Approval to extend the Phase 2 (2019) Participation Agreement (work plan) by three months at no addition cost) and 10.2 (Phase 2 (2020-2021) Participation Agreement and related documents, should a time extension not be approved). Brief discussion followed.

<u>Action:</u> It was moved by Vanderwaal, seconded by Marks to approve the September 20, 2019 Sites Reservoir Committee Agenda, as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

#### MINUTES APPROVAL:

<u>Action:</u> It was moved by Vanderwaal, seconded by Bettner to approve the August 22, 2019 Phase 2 Reservoir Committee Meeting Minutes, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION:

General Manager Watson announced the Closed Session matter regarding significant exposure to litigation or adjudicatory proceedings (Govt. Code 54956.9(d)(2) and (4) (2 items)), would be heard after Agenda Item Number 6, Consultation discussion with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

#### PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Headrick called for public comment. Hearing none, he closed the period of public comment.

#### 1. <u>Member's Reports:</u>

### 1.1 Chairpersons' Report:

Headrick, Bettner

This time is set aside to allow the Chair/Co-Chair an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project.

None.

#### 1.2 Reservoir Committee Participant Reports:

Representatives

This time is set aside to allow Representatives or their Alternates an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project.

None.

## 2. Consent Agenda:

Watson

None.

# 3. <u>Manager's Report:</u>

Watson

3.1 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the Sites Project's monthly status report. (Attachment 3-1A)

General Manager Watson provided an overview of project activities performed in the months of August and September 2019 as follows:

- Extended pre-permit application consultations with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.
- August 15, 2019, held a Joint Authority Board/Reservoir Committee Workshop.
- August 15, 2019, held a Landowner Meeting/Workshop.
- Facilitated access with Reclamation to collect Geotechnical Data primarily focused on Delevan pipeline, the Terminal Regulating Reservoir and proposed Fletcher Reservoir concepts.
- Continued efforts to evaluate how changes in operations, facilities sizes, and participation affect the Project's affordability.
- August 29, 2019, staff met with Nancy Vogel to discuss the Sites Project in the context of the resiliency portfolio.
- September 5, 2019, participated in a meeting with the LA Times editorial board regarding an update on the Sites Project.
- September 12, 2019, held a Joint Authority Board/Reservoir Committee Workshop.
- September 12, 2019, SB 2470 Appropriations Bill regarding WIIN Act Funding was released.
- Updated Committee Members on trip to Washington D.C. regarding various meetings/discussion with State/Federal and Elected Officials.
- 3.2 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding Proposition 1, WSIP activities.

General Manager Watson provided an overview of Proposition 1 and WSIP activities as follows:

- September 3, 2019, met with California Water Commission staff regarding the invoice process/progress.
- Discussions with Water Commission Staff were held regarding Regulations and Technical Reference documents related to the Water Commission's determination of feasibility, which must be submitted by January 1, 2022 to be eligible.
- Updated Commission Staff on the 60 Day process with Fish and Wildlife.

- Updated Commission Staff regarding the status of the description of the preferred Project and potential to adopt a phased construction approach.
- On September 18, 2019, California Water Commission cleared Del Puerto Reservoir as consistent with Proposition 1; therefore, they are eligible to request WIIN Act Funding.
- 3.3 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding U.S. Bureau of Reclamation activities and WIIN Act Funding.

Mr. Dietl updated the Committee Members regarding Reclamation activities on the following:

- Feasibility report.
- Preferred project description extension of time.
- Geotechnical activities starting on October 2, 2019.
- Working with Sites Authority on getting right of entries.
- Waiting for permits from Fish and Wildlife.
- Waiting for the Historic Preservation Officer's letter.

General Manager Watson provided an overview of U.S. Bureau of Reclamation activities and WIIN Act Funding as follows:

- Scheduled monthly coordination meetings with Mid-Pacific and at the last meeting on September 13, 2019, focused on the feasibility report and process of a locally lead feasibility report versus a federal feasibility report.
- During the trip to Washington D.C., met with Interior Deputy Assistant Secretary, Kiel Weaver and Reclamation's Assistant Secretary of Water & Science, Tim Petty to discuss timing of feasibility studies and the Federal and State process.
- Continued work on the amendment to the 2015 Cost Share MOU.

Discussion followed with no action taken.

3.4 Consider approval of the proposed 2020 meeting calendar. (Attachment 3-4A)

<u>Action:</u> It was moved by Vanderwaal, seconded by Marks to approve the 2020 Reservoir Committee meeting Calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

9:29 am. Jeff Davis is now present and seated.

# 4. 2019 Ad Hoc Budget & Finance Work Group:

Traynham

4.1 Review and consider accepting the Sites Project Authority Treasurer's Report. (Attachments 4-1A)

<u>Action:</u> It was moved by Kunde, seconded by Leitterman to accept the Sites Project Authority Treasurer's Report, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

4.2 Consider approval of the Reservoir Committee's portion of the monthly Payment of Claims. (Attachments 4-2 A&B)

<u>Action:</u> It was moved by Leitterman, seconded by Kunde to approve the Reservoir Committee's portion of the monthly Payment of Claims, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

# 5. 2019 Ad Hoc Agreements & Contracts Work Group:

Davis

None.

# 6. <u>2019 Ad Hoc Environmental & Permitting Work Group</u>:

Bettner

6.1 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding consultation discussion with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Ms. Forsythe stated her team continue to work with Fish and Wildlife through all the technical groups and since the last meeting have had two more meetings with the aquatics team and are working through additional diversion flow options.

Brief discussion followed with no action taken.

#### RECESS:

Chairman Headrick declared a recess at 9:40 a.m. and convened into Closed Session at 9:50 a.m. to consider the following matter:

# 11. Closed Session:

Kuney

11.1 Conference with legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation or adjudicatory proceedings (Govt. Code 54956.9(d)(2) and (4) (2 items)).

Chairman Headrick adjourned Closed Session at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened into Regular Session.

## 12. Report from Closed Session:

Kuney

Chairman Headrick announced as to the Closed Session matter regarding significant exposure to litigation or adjudicatory proceedings (Govt. Code 54956.9(d)(2) and (4) (2 items)), there was no reportable action taken.

## 10. <u>Participation:</u>

10.3 Consider approving an updated executive-level description for the preferred Project and provide direction to staff to advance the level of detail.

General Manager Watson distributed a handout entitled "Strawman – An updated description for the preferred Project" and briefly spoke to same.

Discussion followed with no action taken. (Strawman handout on file)

12:30 p.m. Mark Krause, Desert Water Agency representative and Randall Nuedeck, Metropolitan Water District vacated their seats and left the meeting.

10.1 Consider approval to extend the Phase 2 (2019) Participation Agreement by three months at no additional cost. And, if a time extension is approved, provide direction to staff regarding a revised work plan through the completion of Phase 2 (2019). (Handout)

**Action:** It was moved by Vanderwaal, seconded by Bettner to approve extending the Phase 2 (2019) Participation Agreement by three months at no additional cost. The motion carried unanimously.

10.2 Regarding the Phase 2 (2020-2021) Participation Agreement and related documents, should a time extension be approved (refer to item 10.1), provide direction to staff regarding the Phase 2 (2020-2021) Participation Agreement and Work Plan, as well as, the draft plan of finance and Bank RFP. Or, should the time extension not be approved, consider approval of the participation Agreement and Bank RFP. (Attachment 10-2A, B, C & D)

General Manager Watson stated Agenda Item Number. 10.2 regarding the Phase 2 (2020-2021) Participation Agreement and related documents will be deferred/continued to a subsequent meeting.

### 7. 2019 Ad Hoc Reservoir Operations Work Group:

Ruiz/Kunde

None.

#### 8. <u>2019 Ad Hoc Water Facilities Work Group:</u>

Hartwig/Vanderwaal

8.1 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding completing a Site's Authority Project Feasibility Analysis.

None.

# 9. 2019 Ad Hoc Site Facilities Work Group:

Azevedo

- 9.1 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding real estate, land management, site facility activities and early geotechnical explorations.

  General Manager Watson provided an update on the early geotechnical work as follows:
  - Stated Reclamation reprioritized its budget to conduct work that supports
    their feasibility to do work i.e., pipeline work along Delevan Refuge to
    collect data related to construction dewatering, cone penetration tests
    and geophysics.
  - Bore hole at the terminal regulating reservoir to better manage dam risks, and at Fletcher, there is a data gap to complete two bore holes and some geophysics.
  - Pipeline work is scheduled to start on October 2, 2019.
  - Permits and Agreements are almost completed.
  - On Authority side, ready to facilitate the monitoring agreements which includes environmental, cultural and tribal trust issues.

Brief discussion followed with no action taken.

13. Recap: Watson

- 13.1 Agenda topics for next meeting?
  - Special presentation of Santa Clara Valley Water perspective on statewide water management.
  - Have a forum that will be established (value planning) with Mr. Kunde as lead.
- 13.2 Upcoming Reservoir Committee meetings:

Reservoir Committee Meeting

Friday, October 18, 2019 9:00 AM Sites Project Office 122 Old Highway 99W Maxwell, CA 95955

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Chairman

Doug Headrick

General Manager

Jim Watson

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# Attachment A to Meeting Minutes

**Current Voting Committee Participants (21):** 

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	3.42	American Canyon, City			2.64	LaGrande WD (2)
	2.51	Antelope Valley-East Kern WA			15.35	Metropolitan WD (9:50)(‡)
	2.46	Carter MWC	(9:05)	$   \overline{\mathbf{A}} $	3.42	Reclamation District 108
	4.97	Coachella Valley WD			7.93	San Bernardino Valley MWD
$\square$	4.97	Colusa County	(3)		6.00	San Gorgonio Pass WA (9:30)
$\square$	5.47	Colusa Co. WD	(1)		6.53	Santa Clara Valley WD
	2.50	Cortina WD	(2)		3.68	Santa Clarita Valley WA
	2.90	Davis WD	(2)		6.27	Westside WD
	0.00	Department of Water Resources			3.17	Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD
$\square$	4.07	Desert WA	(‡)		0.00	US Bureau of Reclamation
$\square$	3.09	Dunnigan WD		$\square$	4.97	Zone 7 WA
Ø	3.68	Glenn-Colusa ID				

- **12.** Members represented at Meeting start (See Note 1) ☑
- 57.3 % Represented participation percentage
- 15. Members Present by 9:50 am (See Note 1)
- 81.1 % Represented participation percentage
- 13. Members Present after 12:30 pm (See Note 1)
- 61.7 % Represented participation percentage

Representation has been delegated as follows:

- (1) To Bill Vanderwaal, Dunnigan WD
- (2) To Steve Hartwig, American Canyon
- (3) To Dan Ruiz, Westside WD
- (‡) Not present after 12:30 pm

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# Sites Reservoir Project, Phase 2 (2019)

**Current Voting Reservoir Committee Participants (21):** 

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# Attachment B to Meeting Minutes - Attendance

Participant	✓	Representative	✓	Alternate	Others
American Canyon, City		Steve Hartwig		Jason Holley	
AVEK WA		Dwayne Chisam		Dan Flory	
Carter MWC	V	Ben Carter		Denise Carter	
Coachella Valley WD		Robert Cheng		Ivory Reyburn	
Colusa County.		Azevedo, Mike		Gary Evans	
Colusa Co. WD		Shelley Murphy		Joe Marsh	Delegated to Dunnigan
Cortina WD		Jim Peterson		Chuck Grimmer	
Davis WD		Jamie Traynham		Tom Charter	
Desert WA		Mark Krause		Steve Johnson	
Dunnigan WD		Bill Vanderwaal			
Glenn-Colusa ID		Thad Bettner		Don Bransford	
LaGrande WD		Zach Dennis		Matt LaGrande	
Metropolitan WD		Randall Neudeck		Chandra Chilmakuri	
RD 108	V	Bill Vanderwaal			
San Bernardino V MWD	Ø	Doug Headrick		Bob Tincher	
San Gorgonio Pass WA	$   \sqrt{} $	Jeff Davis			
Santa Clara Valley WD		Cindy Kao	V	Eric Leitterman	
Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency	V	Dirk Marks		Rick Viergutz	
Westside WD		Allan Myers	$\square$	Dan Ruiz	
Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa	Ø	Rob Kunde			
Zone 7 WA	V	Amparo Flores		Carol Mahoney Jarnail Chahal	

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# Non-Voting Committee Participants (2):

Participant	✓	Representative/Other	✓	Alternate/Other		
Dept of Water Resource	es 🗹	Rob Cooke		David Sandino		
		Ajay Goyal		Jim Wieking		Dave Arrate
Bureau of Reclamation		Richard Welsh	V	Don Bader		Chris Duke
		David Van Rijn Shana Kaplan		Mike Dietl Mike Mosley	$\square$	Natalie Wolder
<i>Pending</i> Reservoir	Com	ımittee Participaı	1ts (0	)):		
Participant	✓	Representative	✓	Alternate		
Authority, Non-Sig	nato	ory (6):				
Participant	✓	Representative	✓	Alternate		
Glenn County		John Viegas				
PCWA		Ed Horton		Ben Barker Darin Reintjes		
Roseville		Sean Bigley				
Sacramento, City of		Jim Peifer		Dan Sherry		
Sacramento County WA		Kerry Schmitz		Michael Peterson		
Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority		Jeff Sutton				
Staff & Consultant	s:					
✓ Name	Repre	senting	<b>✓</b>	Name	Repre	senting
Alexander, Jeriann	Furgr	0		Durbin, Gary	Brown	& Caldwell
Barnes, Joe	AECO	М		Floyd, Kim	Floyd	
☑ Boling, Robert	HDR		$\checkmark$	Forsythe, Ali	Sites P	Project Authority
☐ Briard, Monique	ICF			Frederiksen, Lee	Sites F	Project Authority
☐ Brown, Doug	Stradl	ing		Herrin, Jeff	AECON	1
☑ Brown, Scott	LWA		$\checkmark$	Johns, Jerry	Johns	
☐ Bruner, Marc	Perkir	is Coie		Katz, Sara	Katz &	Associates
Campbell, Jeff	Projec	t Controls Cubed	V	Kivett, Marcia	Sites P	roject Authority

<b>✓</b>	Name	Representing	✓	Name	Representing
	Krivanec, Chris	HDR		Teurn, Tammy	HDR
	Kuney, Scott	Young Wooldridge		Tirado, Yolanda	Sites Project Authority
	McDonald, Connor	Bender Rosenthal		Thomson, Rob	Sites Project Authority
	Montague, Doug	Montague DeRose Assoc.		Trapasso, Joe	Sites Project Authority
	Motamed, Farid	Fugro	V	Tull, Rob	Ch2m
	Pallari, Kim	HDR		Van Camp, Marc	MBK
V	Robinette, JP	Brown & Caldwell		Watson, Jim	Sites Project Authority
	Rossetto, Sarah	Katz & Associates		Warner Herson, Laurie	Phenix
V	Spesert, Kevin	Sites Project Authority		Alan Doud	Young Wooldridge
	Spranza, John	HDR			

**Other Attendees:** (Check box to have email address added to the distribution list)

Name	Representing	Contact (Phone & E-mail)
Fritz Durst	Sites JPA	$\square$
Jeff Kivett	Brown & Caldwell	$\square$
Laura Nicholson	Jacobs	$\square$
Peter Rude	Jacobs	$\square$
Lewis Bair		
Jeff Mathews	Westervelt	
Mike Forrest	AECOM	
Gary Darling	Darling H2o	
Rob Nixon	AECOM	<b>☑</b>
Aleksandr Vdovichenko	DWR	Image: section of the content of the