

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

**Committee:** Basin Water Management Committee

Meeting Date: February 10, 2016

Present: D. Arrighi, M. Barbosa, D. Berry, B. Bowcock, J. Byerrum, S.

Chapman, D. Colby, D. De Jesus, R. DiPrimio, G. Galindo, C. Gott, R. Hansen, E. Hitchman, B. Lewis, T. Mortensen, M. Na, L. Noriega, J. Prior, R. Rich, S. Seffer, T. Tait, and P.

Zampiello

Staff Present: T. Zampiello, K. Gardner, E. Deurmeier, S. Johnson, and K.

Smead

## I. Discussion of Net Interagency Transfer Adjustment

The Executive Officer, Mr. Tony Zampiello, introduced Section 27 of Watermaster's Rules & Regulations (Net Interagency Transfer Adjustment [NITA]) and briefly explained the process of transferring water rights and requesting replacement water. Mr. Kevin Smead, Stetson Engineers, gave a presentation explaining the leasing process in further detail and describing the formula used to determine assessments. There was a discussion about whether to change the wording in Section 27 of the Watermaster Rules and Regulations to prevent producers from overproducing and leasing out water rights in the same year which would cause a cash flow problem for Watermaster when ordering replacement water.

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#### II. Discussion of Public Health Goals

Mr. Kevin Smead stated that a review of the Public Health Goals is done every three years. Comments have been requested from the affected producers in order to determine whether Watermaster should coordinate a public hearing as has been done in the past. He added that the budget for this review is \$40,000 for all affected producers. A draft of the Public Health Goal Report is due by June 30, 2016, and a public hearing would be scheduled following this deadline.

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# III. Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District Presentation on Budget and Rates

Mr. Shane Chapman, Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District, gave a power point presentation on the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's (MWD) proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year. He added that a complete version of the presentation is available on the MWD website. Mr. Chapman highlighted the information relevant to Watermaster producers including a projected forecast for MWD water rates and other costs. Lastly, he stated that all of these decisions should be finalized by the MWD Board by April.

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### IV. Other

None