



COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee: Basin Water Management Committee

Meeting Date: February 11, 2015

Present: D. Michalko (Chair), D. Arrighi, B. Bowcock, J. Byerrum, S. Chapman, D. Colby, G. Galindo, C. Gott, S. Igoe, B. Lewis, L. Noriega, J. Prior, R. Rich, R. Schoellerman, and C. Venegas

Staff Present: T. Zampielo, K. Gardner, R. Serna, E. Deurmeier, S. Johnson, and K. Smead

I. Database Discussion

The Executive Officer, Mr. Tony Zampielo, reported that the Watermaster Database has been updated to January 1, 2015. Web-based tests have been run and a test and trial period were provided with very little producer participation. A draft letter has been put together for all partners and is being reviewed. He suggested that, rather than focusing the database on a web-based producer-access program, the partners determine proposed needs and uses for information going forward. There was additional discussion about the scope and approach of possible model upgrades and how often the information would be updated.

It was generally agreed that modeling enhancements were of better interest than a web-based database. Mr. Zampielo added that there are ways of enhancing modeling of specific operable units. Mr. Greg Galindo noted that there are benefits to having enhanced modeling capabilities. Mr. Steve Johnson, Stetson Engineers, added that enhancements in modeling can be done using the existing model as the foundation, which would be most cost-effective.

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II. CEN-B 48 Update

Mr. Zampielo stated that CEN-B 48 is currently on at a rate of 125 cubic-feet per second (cfs). Central Basin Municipal Water District (CBMWD) recently requested increasing the rate from 100 to 200 cfs. He added that USG-3 is also on at 60 cfs. Both San Gabriel Valley Water Company and Valley County Water District have submitted orders for delivery. Mr. Shane Chapman stated that he and Kevin Hunt from CBMWD will be meeting with Metropolitan Water District

(MWD) to request a waiver of the capacity charge if the delivery cannot be completed by May 1, 2015.

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III. Long Beach Judgment 101

Mr. Kevin Smead, Stetson Engineers, gave a presentation on the history of, and current conditions pertaining to, the Long Beach Judgment (Judgment). He stated that the San Gabriel River Watermaster is required to submit an annual report each year. The current report is in process, he said, and this is a good time to provide this information to Producers. He mentioned that the Judgment was entered in 1965 and included Central Basin Municipal Water District and the cities of Long Beach and Compton as plaintiffs. The budget to carry out the Judgment is split between the upper and lower areas with CBMWD, the City of Long Beach, and the City of Compton funding the lower area and the Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster funding the upper area. He provided definitions for each of the areas and types of water, including “usable,” “reclaimed,” and “replenishment water.” He added that usable water is the key to the whole adjudication.

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IV. Other

None