

AB1234 Report Lynne Plambeck 11-5-22 9-11;30 Tour Valencia Sanitation Plant

This was a public tour of the Valencia Sanitation facilities. It started with a description of the intake facilities from the SCV, including the SCV and Mission village. The water is currently used on the golf course and some purchased by SCVWA (as we already know). We were able to see the inflow facility. The tour presenters described how they try to equalize the flow using retaining tanks, showed the tour the primary, secondary and tertiary treatment tanks and processes, followed by the process to dewatered the sludge so that it can be trucked to spreading grounds. Currently it is being disposed in Lost Hills in a pit where it is buried. We tour viewed the outflow effluent to the Santa Clara River where samples are taken to assess water quality. The temperature of the out flow was stated to be from 80 to 85 degrees depending on the outside temperature.

The plant tries to anticipate rain fluctuations by not storing effluent in case storm water creates added flow.

The plant generates methane which is used for the energy source to run the digesters. The Carson plant produces an excess of methane energy and sells it to the local power company.

We also viewed the chloride facility which is not complete and where they are applying for another permit to extend the completion date.

# **DIRECTOR AB 1234 REPORT**

Director Name: Maria Gutzeit

Meeting Attended: Labor Management Compliance Council Annual

Conference

Date of Meeting: 11/17/2022

Board Meeting to Be Presented At: 12/6/22

Points of Interest: This was a very detailed conference. A lot of the information was geared toward requirements for contractors operating under prevailing wage, but there also were ramifications and requirements for the contracting agencies aka "Awarding Bodies." In addition to SCV Water there were other contracting agencies present including community college districts and the City and County of Los Angeles, along with Building Trades representatives and prime contractors.

Labor Code 1720 says prevailing wage applies for CADIR: Construction (including pre- and post-construction;) Alteration, Demolition, Installation and Repair done under contract and in whole or in part using public funds on projects over 30K. Labor Code 1721 adds MAINTENANCE to the CADIR list.

Interesting legal twists on "public funds"....for instance a reduced impact fee in exchange for developer funded infrastructure work is still "public funds" and that work should be done at prevailing wage. Also solar under Purchased Power Agreements if the entity buy over 50% of the power. Many other legal issues with leases/trades/agreements/grants that still are ultimately use of public funds.

Additional apprenticeship requirements apply for this work. Collecting information is required but not enough without some review. For example, watch for unexpectedly "neat" (i.e. likely fake) wage report forms.

Skilled and Trained workforce requirements may apply on some projects which triggers a requirement for a particular trade (not just the lowest cost trade) to do the work.

Governor is interested in more apprenticeship programs...not just in construction, but also technical fields. Average age of a construction apprentice is 33 years! (Potential funding opportunities for SCV Water to investigate here.)

Awarding Bodies (like SCVWA) need to take special steps for Project Labor Agreement/Community Workforce Agreement work.

Awarding Body must ensure the correct wage determinations are used in the projects they do. For instance, you cannot break out less skilled work to get a cheaper classification. "Slice and Sub" scopes of work are a red flag.

I have 30+ pages of very detailed handouts. If anyone is interested, I can get them to April for copying and distribution. General agenda is attached. Handouts had a lot of good references for staff people working on this. LMCC (the host) also has good FAQs and links (see attached.)

I was pleased that there were 3 SCV Water staffers present in addition to two directors. All staff members said they learned some new things that applied to SCV Water.

# ANNUAL LABOR COMPLIANCE CONFERENCE

HURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2022



7:00 AM - 7:50 AM

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# ITEM NO. 12.1

## Director AB 1234 Report December 6, 2022

Director name: Gary Martin

Meeting attended: Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) Special Board Meeting

Dates of meeting: November 18, 2022

Location: Virtual - Ring Central

SCV Water Board Meeting to be presented at: December 6, 2022

On November 18, 2022 I attended the special meeting of the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) Board of Directors on the RingCentral virtual platform. The agenda and actions taken were as follows:

- Call to Order by Board President Sarah Palmer
- Roll Call
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Public Comment
- Approve extending resolution authorizing virtual board and committee meetings pursuant to AB 361.
   This item was approved.
- Adjournment

### Director AB 1234 Report December 6, 2022

Director name: Gary Martin

Meeting attended: ACWA & ACWA JPIA 2022 Fall Conferences & Delta Conveyance Project Presentation

Dates of meeting: November 28 - December 1, 2022

Location: Indian Wells, CA

SCV Water Board Meeting to be presented at: December 6, 2022

On November 28 – December 1, 2022 I attended the ACWA & ACWA JPIA 2022 Fall Conferences in Indian Wells, CA. During the ACWA Conference, I also attended a presentation of the Delta Conveyance Project by the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) team. Points of interest of the meetings and presentations attended are as follows:

#### November 28 ACWA JPIA Committee & Board Meetings:

#### 8:30 AM Property Program Committee

- Welcome & Introductions by Chairman Brent Hastey
- Approved the minutes of the June 20, 2022 meeting
- Provided a review of property program updates JPIA Staff
- Provided a review of the state of the property market JPIA Staff

#### 10:15 AM Executive Committee

Welcome & Introductions by JPIA Board President Melody A. McDonald

I. Approval of Consent Calendar

#### II. Administration

- Introduction of the Jerry Gladbach Leadership Grant JPIA offers the Leadership Essentials for Water Industry program each year. This year-long program requires in-person attendance four times a year along with participation in webinars. JPIA currently charges \$2,195 to attend. Many participants must also pay for travel to attend each 2-day in-person session. In order to make it more affordable to agencies that need assistance with the tuition and expenses, JPIA staff have created the Jerry Gladbach Leadership Grant. JPIA statement in the agenda was as follows: "Jerry, former President of JPIA, encompassed the qualities that good leaders possess humility, compassion, experience, and self-awareness. He was involved with and truly cared for staff." Each year, to memorialize his contributions, JPIA will reimburse one agency in northern California and one in southern California for the expenses for one staff member to attend the leadership program for one year.
- Approved Resolution 2022-1 Commendation of Brent Hastey.
- · Reviewed and approved new positions.
- Approved the revised version of changes to by-laws.

#### III. Programs

- Cyber Liability Program update.
- Employee Benefits update.
- Risk Management update.

#### IV. Membership

Reviewed and took action (approved) membership applications.

#### V. Miscellaneous

- Discussed future agenda items.
- CEO update.
- Next meeting January 31, 2023

#### 11:30 AM Pre-Board Meeting Luncheon

#### 1:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting

Welcome and Call to Order by JPIA Board President Melody A. McDonald

I. The consent calendar was approved; the minutes of the May 2, 2022 meeting were approved.

#### II. Administration

- The glossary of terms was presented.
- Resolution 2022-1, Commendation to E.G. "Jerry" Gladbach was approved. (see attached PDF of this item)
- Ratified Executive Committee's acceptance of new member agencies.
- Reviewed and approved proposed revision to JPIA Bylaws.
- Received a presentation from ACWA Executive Director Dave Eggerton.

#### III. Financial

- Reviewed and approved revised Investment Policy.
- Received Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

#### IV. Programs

- Received updates from Pooled Programs for Liability, Property, Worker's Compensation, and Employee Benefits.
- Announce the President's Special Recognition Award recipients for the Liability, Property and Worker's Compensation Programs. Special note: The Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency received this award for the Property and Worker's Compensation Programs.
- Received an update on the California Water Insurance Fund (CWIF) from Andy Sells.

#### V. Membership Benefits

- The H.R. LaBounty Safety Award Program recipients were announced.
- Received a training update.
- Received a Human Resources update.
- Received a Leadership Essentials Program update. There 27 graduates of the program this year; 13 from the south and 14 from the north.

#### VI. CEO Update from Andy Sells.

VII. Received the President's Update on meetings, events and announcements from Melody McDonald.

#### VIII. Other Business

- There are no pending lawsuits directly involving JPIA.
- Open discussion.

The meeting was adjourned by President McDonald.

## 5:30 ACWA JPIA & ACWA Dinner Honoring E.G. "Jerry" Gladbach

This was a special dinner held jointly by ACWA and ACWA JPIA to honor Jerry Gladbach for his years of dedicated service. It was a wonderful event where ACWA's and ACWA JPIA's Executive Directors and Board Presidents each spoke eloquently of their appreciation for their friendship and long association with Jerry

noting Jerry's many accomplishments and contributions to both organizations. Following those remarks, the floor was opened for anyone in attendance who wished to speak. Many in attendance spoke, and I was honored to speak on behalf of the SCV Water Agency Board and Staff. Following comments, Donna Gladbach, who was in attendance, spoke of her appreciation for the many well-wishers from ACWA and ACWA JPIA who have reached out to her since Jerry's passing in July, and especially of her appreciation for this very special recognition.

#### November 29

#### 10:00 AM ACWA Groundwater Committee Meeting

The ACWA Groundwater Committee met and the turnout was very good. Chairman Woodling called the meeting to order and the committee received the following reports:

- Paul Gosselin provided the DWR update on SGMA. He gave statistics on basins and GSPs submitted for review. Mr. Gosselin also provided a brief update on the various assistance programs available from DWR, including financial grants, technical and planning assistance. He showed the 20-year planning horizon for SGMA implementation out to 2040. He stated that DWR will be supporting local projects and actions for both demand reduction and supply augmentation.
- The committee received a brief oral report from Laurel Firestone of the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) on "Preparing for a State Water Board Role in SGMA." Her report described what the SWRCB does when it receives a referral from DWR.
- An update on the Groundwater Resources Association was provided by Christy Kennedy of Lockwood and Curran. Of special note is a planned collaborative effort with ACWA to put on a SGMA Implementation Summit and Workshop for the June, 2023 timeframe.
- The committee also received brief reports from 3 GW Subcommittees; groundwater quality, legislative, and SH+GMA implementation.
- Lastly, Dave Reynolds provided a Federal update. Uncertainty exists over what happens during the lame duck session, and what to expect from Washington going forward. ACWA will be working on Federal priorities going forward.

#### 1:00 PM Delta Conveyance Project Overview and Update Presentation

I attended a special presentation from Graham Bradner, Executive Director of the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) on the Delta Conveyance Project. Also participating in the presentation was DWR Environmental Manager Carrie Buckman and Rebecca Nicholas, SWC/PWA Communications. The agenda for the presentation was as follows:

- 1. Introductions
- 2. DCP Introduction
- 3. Engineering Update
- 4. Planning Update
- 5. Outreach Update
  - Points of interest in the presentation:
  - An overview of the Delta Conveyance Project (DCP) was provided.
  - Increasing risks in the delta, including climate change, sea level rise, and seismic events were discussed.
  - An example of DCP benefits was explained as the missed opportunity to deliver an additional 236,000 acre feet of water in 2021 due to high flow diversions.
  - Future water supply changes were discussed along with potential water supply benefits of DCP.
  - A planning update was provided.
  - The Draft EIR is available for public review.

#### 8:00 AM Opening Breakfast

- Pam Tobin, ACWA President provided the opening welcome remarks.
- Dave Eggerton, ACWA Executive Director welcomed attendees.
- Melody McDonald, ACWA JPIA Board President spoke of Jerry Gladback and the enormous positive impact he had on both ACWA and JPIA through his many years of service and contributions.
- The2022 Joint ACWA and ACWA JPIA Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to E.G. "Jerry"
   Gladbach and accepted by his wife Donna Gladbach. Donna made a wonderful speech accepting the award.
- Other awards presented included the 2022 Huell Howser Excellence in Communication Award, the 2022 Outreach Awards, and the 2022 Stephen K. Hall ACWA Water Law and Policy Scholarship.
- The Keynote Speaker was Ambassador Marco Sermoneta, Consul General of Israel to the Pacific Northwest. Mr. Sermoneta made a very interesting address which included Israel's accomplishment in achieving water supply reliability in an arid climate.

#### 12:30 PM General Session Membership Meeting

I attended the General Session Membership Meeting as the voting representative for SCV Water and three other SCV Water entities. The agenda and actions taken were as follows:

- Call to Order by ACWA President Pam Tobin
- Overview and Instructions on the Live-Tally Voting System & Test Vote.
- Approved the General Session Meeting Minutes from December 1, 2021.
- An overview of the election task force process was provided by Jeni Buckman, Legal Affairs Committee Chair.
- An overview of the proposed amended & restated bylaws was provided by Katlyn Nelms, Associate,
   Downey Brand LLP. The proposed amended & restated bylaws was then voted on and approved.
- Pam Tobin adjourned the meeting.

#### 1:45 PM Federal Issue Forum

Department of Interior officials discussed key policy and water supply updates, including 2023 Colorado River and Central Valley Project water supply scenarios, and implementation of federal infrastructure funding. Speakers for this session were as follows:

- Ernest Conant, Regional Director of the Interior Region 10, US Bureau of Reclamation.
- Gary Gold, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Water and Science at the US Department of the Interior.
- Stacy Wade, Deputy Regional Director of the Lower Colorado Basin, US Bureau of Reclamation.
- Jim Peifer, Moderator, Regional water Authority.

#### 3:30 PM ACWA Region 8 Membership Meeting

- ACWA updates were received from ACWA Leadership.
- Melody McDonald provided the ACWA JPIA update.
- ACWA Staff provided the 2023 Region Election Timeline.
- Committee Reports were received from the designated committee reporters for all of the ACWA committees. I provided the report for the Groundwater Committee (see the GW Committee report elsewhere in this report). SCV Water Director Armitage provided the Local Government Committee report.
- An update was received from the Outreach Task Force.

#### December 1

#### 10:15 Statewide Issue Forum

This panel was to discuss the progress and status of the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund 3 years after passage of SB 200. The discussion covered more broadly the water supply picture in California. Panelists were as follows:

Nancy Vogel, Deputy Secretary of Water, CA Natural Resources Agency

E. Joaquin Esquivel, Chair, State Water Resources Control Board

Dr. Ellen Hanak, Director of Water Policy, PPIC

Points of interest were as follows;

- Nancy Vogel cited the CA Water Strategy and Water Resilience Portfolio as issues of importance, including 122 separate actions that the state must take, which fall into 4 groups.
- Joaquin Esquivel indicated that there needs to be a renewed focus on urban conservation, and that yields from California watersheds are simply not there.
- Dr. Hanak is glad to see a balance between supply and demand actions, and that we must try to capture water in wet years.
- When asked by the moderator what the panelist wee most excited about, Nancy indicated the 340 projects in various GSPs to promote capture of storm water; Joaquin mentions efforts on the supply side; and Ellen mentioned providing / storing water for the environment "if you don't accomplish that, then nothing else will work."

## ACWA JPIA Resolution (2022-1)

# Commendation to E.G. "Jerry" Gladbach

November 28, 2022

#### **BACKGROUND**

E.G. "Jerry" Gladbach of Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency passed away in July 2022 after more than 20 years of service with the ACWA JPIA.

#### **CURRENT SITUATION**

The JPIA would like to show its appreciation to Jerry Gladbach for his years of service to the JPIA and its members. Jerry has served on the Executive Committee for 20 years. For the past 12 years, he has served as Board President. He also served as Chair of the Liability Program Committee, the Building & Property Ad Hoc Committee, and the Personnel Committee. In addition, he has been instrumental in the research and subsequent formation of the Captive.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Directors approve the proposed resolution honoring E.G. "Jerry" Gladbach, as presented.

Prepared by: Chimene Camacho, Executive Assistant

Date prepared: October 24, 2022

#### RESOLUTION (2022-1)

# OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY (ACWA JPIA) COMMENDING E.G. "JERRY" GLADBACH FOR TWENTY YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority that commendation be given to E. G. "Jerry" Gladbach of Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, for outstanding service to the Joint Powers Insurance Authority as a member of the Executive Committee for twenty years. For the past 12 years, he has served as Board President. He also served as Chair of the Liability Program Committee, the Building & Property Ad Hoc Committee, and the Personnel Committee. In addition, he has been instrumental in the research and subsequent formation of the Captive.

Jerry's dedicated service to the JPIA and its members, combined with a high standard of integrity and fairness, has been an important element in the development and success of the JPIA.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority held November 28, 2022 in Indian Wells, California.

By:	
•	Melody McDonald, President, ACWA JPIA
ATT	EST:
	Walter "Andy" Sells, Secretary, ACWA JPIA