

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Castaic Lake Water Agency – December 13, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Castaic Lake Water Agency was held at Castaic Lake Water Agency, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350, at 6:15 PM on Wednesday, December 13, 2017. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the Agency preceding these minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Directors B. J. Atkins, Tom Campbell, Ed Colley, William Cooper, Robert DiPrimio, Dean Efstathiou, Jerry Gladbach, R. J. Kelly, Gary Martin and Bill Pecsí were in attendance.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Jacque McMillan.

Also present: Matthew Stone, General Manager; Valerie Pryor, Assistant General Manager; Joe Byrne, General Counsel (Via Conference Line); April Jacobs, Board Secretary; Brian Folsom, Engineering and Operations Manager; Jason Yim, Principal Engineer; Shadi Bader, Senior Engineer; Beverly Johnson, Administrative Services Manager; Rick Viergutz, Principal Water Resources Planner, Kenneth J. Petersen, WWC General Manager; and no members of the public.

President DiPrimio called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM. A quorum was present.

Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Campbell and carried, the Agenda was approved with the acknowledgment of Item 4.2.2 not being covered in tonight's agenda by the following voice votes (Item 1.4):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
President DiPrimio	Yes	Director Efstathiou	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director McMillan	Absent
Director Pecsí	Yes		

Upon motion of Director Pecsí, seconded by Director Cooper and carried, the Board approved Resolution No. 3214 recognizing Kenneth J. Petersen's distinguish service by the following voice votes (Item 2.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
President DiPrimio	Yes	Director Efstathiou	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director McMillan	Absent
Director Pecsí	Yes		

**RESOLUTION NO. 3214
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY
HONORING AND COMMENDING KENNETH J. PETERSEN**

FOR HIS SERVICE AND DEDICATION

WHEREAS, Ken Petersen is a respected water official in California with a long and successful career, working for many different water agencies; and

WHEREAS, Ken served as the General Manager for the Newhall County Water District (NCWD) from October 2001 through May of 2004; and

WHEREAS, Ken was instrumental in laying the foundation for a best in class water service agency; and

WHEREAS, Ken served as the Engineering and Operations Manager for Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA) from January of 2005 to November 2006; and

WHEREAS, Ken was instrumental in negotiating the Settlement Agreement with Whitaker Bermite to fund the program to treat perchlorate contamination in the groundwater supply; and

WHEREAS, Ken was instrumental in the construction of the Saugus Perchlorate Treatment Facility to treat the perchlorate contamination from the Saugus 1 and 2 Wells; and

WHEREAS, Ken has served as the General Manager of the Valencia Water Company (VWC) since October 2015, maintaining the Company's high water quality and customer service standards; and

WHEREAS, Ken has done an excellent job in preparing the Valencia Water Company and its employees to transition into the new Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency in early 2018; and

WHEREAS, Ken has provided valuable water industry insights and has served as a mentor to many in the industry and in the Santa Clarita Valley.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Castaic Lake Water Agency Board of Directors thanks Ken Petersen for his years of public service to the residents of the Santa Clarita Valley through his many significant contributions and leadership during his tenures at NCWD, CLWA and VWC.

The Board recognized Kenneth J. Petersen for his distinguished service and presented him with a resolution and a Water Drop (Item 2.2).

Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Vice President Martin and carried, the Consent Calendar was approved including Resolution No. 3215 and the revised November 13, 2017 meeting minutes by the following voice votes (Item 3):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
President DiPrimio	Yes	Director Efstathiou	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director McMillan	Absent
Director Pecs	Yes		

RESOLUTION NO. 3215

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY ADOPTING AN AMENDED
CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE PURSUANT TO THE
POLITICAL REFORM ACT OF 1974**

WHEREAS, the State of California enacted the Political Reform Act of 1974, Government Code Section 81000 et seq. (the "Act"), which contains provisions relating to conflicts of interest which potentially affect all officers, employees and consultants of the Castaic Lake Water Agency ("CLWA") and requires all public agencies to adopt and promulgate a Conflict of Interest Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors adopted a Conflict of Interest Code (the "Code") for CLWA in compliance with the Act; and

WHEREAS, subject to changed circumstances within CLWA have made it advisable and necessary pursuant to Sections 87306 and 87307 of the Act to amend and update CLWA's Code; and

WHEREAS, the potential penalties for violation of the provisions of the Act are substantial and may include criminal and civil liability, as well as equitable relief which could result in CLWA being restrained or prevented from acting in cases where the provisions of the Act may have been violated; and

WHEREAS, notice of the time and place of a public meeting on, of consideration by the Board of Directors of, the proposed amended Code was provided each affected designated employee and publicly posted for review at the CLWA Administration Building at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, California, establishing a 45-day comment period in compliance with Title 2, California Code of Regulations, Section 18750; and

WHEREAS, a public meeting was held upon the proposed amended Code at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of CLWA on December 13, 2017, at which all present were given an opportunity to be heard on the proposed amended Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Castaic Lake Water Agency as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Directors does hereby adopt the proposed amended Conflict of Interest Code, a copy of which is attached hereto and shall be on file with the Board Secretary and available to the public for inspection and copying during regular business hours.

Section 2. The said amended Code shall be submitted to the Fair Political Practices Commission for approval.

Section 3. The said amended Code shall become effective immediately after the Fair Political Practices Commission approves the proposed amended Code as submitted.

Upon motion of Vice President Martin, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, the Board approved Resolution No. 3216 adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Recycled Water Central Park (Phase 2A) Project by the following voice votes (Item 4.1.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
President DiPrimio	Yes	Director Efstathiou	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director McMillan	Absent
Director Peksi	Yes		

RESOLUTION NO. 3216

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY
ADOPTING THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM
UNDER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
FOR THE CENTRAL PARK RECYCLED WATER MAIN EXTENSION (PHASE 2A) PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Castaic Lake Water Agency (Agency) determined that recycled water is an important component of future water supplies; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Central Park Recycled Water Main Extension (Phase 2A) Project is a component of the Draft 2016 Recycled Water Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Central Park Recycled Water Main Extension (Phase 2A) Project is a collaborative project between the Agency, Valencia Water Company (VWC) and the Santa Clarita Water Division (SCWD); and

WHEREAS, the Agency, acting as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") circulated for public comment a proposed Initial Study and draft Mitigated Negative Declaration (collectively, the "Draft MND") for the Central Park Recycled Water Main Extension Project (Phase 2A) ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines Section 15072(b), on September 22, 2017 Agency mailed a Notice of Intent to Adopt the Draft MND to all responsible and reviewing agencies, the Office of Planning and Research, and members of the public that have requested notice; the Agency also published the Notice of Intent to Adopt the Draft MND in the *Santa Clarita Valley Signal*, a newspaper of general circulation; and

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WHEREAS, as required by State CEQA Guidelines section 15072(d), the Notice of Intent to Adopt the Draft MND was concurrently posted by the Clerk of the Board for the County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with State CEQA Guidelines section 15073, the Draft MND was circulated for at least 30 days, from September 22, 2017 through October 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Agency received one written public comments during the comment period; and one letter from the State of California Governor's Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse after the close of the comment period indicating that only one state agency submitted comments by the closing date and that the Agency has complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents pursuant to CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the Draft MND, the comments thereto and the Agency's responses to comments were incorporated into and together constitute the Final MND (hereinafter, the "MND"), and are attached as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, a notice of public meeting relating to the MND was duly given and posted in the manner and for the time frame prescribed by law, and the Planning and Engineering Committee held a public meeting on the Project at the Castaic Lake Water Agency located at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350, in the Training Room on December 5, 2017, at 5:30 P.M., as part of its decision process concerning the Project, at which time no public comments were received; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Engineering Committee recommended that the Agency's Board of Directors ("Board") approve a resolution adopting the MND and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program ("MMRP"); and

WHEREAS, a notice of public meeting relating to the MND was duly given and posted in the manner and for the time frame prescribed by law, and the Agency's Board held a public meeting on the Project at its Boardroom, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350 on December 13, 2017, at 6:15 P.M., as part of its decision process concerning the Project, at which time all persons wishing to comment in connection the MND were heard; and

WHEREAS, only one comment was made during the public review period, and no additional information submitted to the Agency have produced substantial new information requiring recirculation of the MND or additional environmental review of the Project under State CEQA Guidelines section 15073.5; and

WHEREAS, all the requirements of the Public Resources Code and the State CEQA Guidelines have been satisfied in connection with the preparation of the MND, which is sufficiently detailed so that all of the potentially significant environmental effects of the Project, as well as feasible mitigation measures, have been adequately evaluated; and

WHEREAS, the Agency Board reviewed the MND and MMRP; and

WHEREAS, the Agency Board, acting as a Lead Agency, will need to adopt the IS/MND; and

WHEREAS, the Agency's Board has determined that the proposed Project can be approved because there is no substantial evidence in light of the whole record that the Project may have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Agency and its Board have considered all of the information presented to it as set forth above and this Resolution and action taken hereby is a result of the Board's independent judgment and analysis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Agency Board does hereby find and determine as follows:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The Agency finds that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein as substantive findings of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT. As a decision-making body for the Project, the Agency has reviewed and considered the information contained in the MND, comments received, and other documents contained in the administrative record for the Project. Based on the Agency's independent review and analysis, the Agency finds that the MND and administrative record contain a complete and accurate reporting of the environmental impacts associated with the Project, and that the MND has been completed in compliance with CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

SECTION 3. FINDINGS ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS. Based on the whole record before it, including the MND, the administrative record, and all other written and oral evidence presented to the Agency, the Agency finds that all environmental impacts of the Project are either less than significant or can be mitigated to a level of less than significant under the mitigation measures outlined in the MND and the MMRP. The Agency finds that substantial evidence fully supports the conclusion that no significant and unavoidable impacts will occur and that, alternatively, there is no substantial evidence in the administrative record supporting a fair argument that the Project may result in any significant environmental impacts. The Agency finds that the MND contains a complete, objective, and accurate reporting of the environmental impacts associated with the Project and reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the Agency.

SECTION 4. ADOPTION OF THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION. The Agency hereby approves and adopts the MND as the Lead Agency.

SECTION 5. ADOPTION OF THE MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM. In accordance with Public Resources Code section 21081.6, the Agency hereby adopts the MMRP, attached hereto as Exhibit "A". In the event of any inconsistencies between the Mitigation Measures as set forth in the MND and the MMRP, the MMRP shall control.

SECTION 6. LOCATION AND CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS. The documents and materials associated with the Project, the MND and MMRP that constitute the record of proceedings on which these findings are based are located at the offices of Castaic Lake Water Agency, 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91351. The Custodian of Record is the Board Secretary.

SECTION 7. NOTICE OF DETERMINATION. The Agency hereby directs staff to prepare, execute, and file a Notice of Determination with the Los Angeles County Clerk's office

and the Office of Planning and Research within five (5) working days of adoption of this Resolution.



Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Cooper and carried, the Board approved Resolution No. 3217 authorizing the General Manager to make the payment of \$9,089,938 for the Buena Vista/Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Banking and Recovery Program by the following voice votes (Item 4.2.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
President DiPrimio	Yes	Director Efstathiou	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director McMillan	Absent
Director Peci	Yes		

RESOLUTION NO. 3217

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
 OF THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY
 AUTHORIZING THE 2018 PAYMENT FOR THE
 BUENA VISTA/ROSEDALE-RIO BRAVO WATER BANKING AND RECOVERY
 PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2006, the Board of approved an agreement and on May 22, 2007, the Castaic Lake Water Agency executed the agreement with Buena Vista Water Storage District and Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District for the annual purchase of 11,000 acre-feet (AF) of firm non-State Water Project (SWP) water supply; and

WHEREAS, Article 4(C) of the contract provides for annual price adjustments based on the changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and also for a "look-in" every ten years to assure that the adjusted price adequately reflects increases in SWP costs for the Buena Vista Water Storage District and Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District; and

WHEREAS, staff has calculated the adjusted cost for the 2018 annual payment as detailed in the table below; and

2018 Base Rate/AF	\$ 758.72
Annual Total for 11,000 AF	\$ 8,345,920.00
Annual Adjustment for Look-in (applied to years 2017 through 2026)	\$ 744,018.00
2018 Total Payment	\$ 9,089,938.00

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Castaic Lake Water Agency authorizes the General Manager to make the 2018 payments of \$9,089,938 for

the Buena Vista/Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Banking and Recovery Program, subject to minor adjustments due to rounding in the calculations.

Upon motion of Director Atkins, seconded by Director Campbell and carried, the Board approved the Reimbursement Agreement with the Local Agency Formation Commission for the County of Los Angeles by the by the following voice votes (Item 4.3):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
President DiPrimio	Yes	Director Efstathiou	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director McMillan	Absent
Director Pecs	Yes		

Upon motion of Vice President Martin, seconded by Director Pecs and carried, the Board approved an increase in the General Manager's salary from \$19,454 to \$21,167 per month, annual salary increased to \$254,004, which is approximately an 8.1 percent increase effective December 28, 2017 by the following voice votes (Item 5.1):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director Colley	No	Director Cooper	Yes
President DiPrimio	Yes	Director Efstathiou	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director McMillan	Absent
Director Pecs	Yes		

AB 1234 Reports (Item 6.2):

President DiPrimio reported that he attended the ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 27 through December 1, 2017 as well as a dinner meeting with Vice President Martin, Director Gladbach, CLWA General Manager Matthew Stone and some UWCD Directors and its General Manager on November 27, 2017.

Vice President Martin reported that he attended the ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 27 through December 1, 2017 as well as a dinner meeting with President DiPrimio, Director Gladbach, CLWA General Manager Matthew Stone and some UWCD Directors and its General Manager on November 27, 2017.

Director Atkins reported that he attended the ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 27 through December 1, 2017.

Director Campbell reported that he attended the ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 29 through December 1, 2017.

Director Cooper reported that he attended the ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 28 through December 1, 2017.

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Director Efstathiou reported that he attended the ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 28 through December 1, 2017.

Director Gladbach reported that he attended the ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 28 through November 29, 2017 as well as various ACWA Committees on November 27, 2017 and attended a dinner meeting with President DiPrimio, Vice President Martin, CLWA General Manager Matthew Stone and some UWCD Directors and its General Manager on November 27, 2017.

Director Kelly reported that he attended the VIA Monthly luncheon held at the Valencia Country Club on November 21, 2017 and attended the ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 27 through December 1, 2017.

Director Pecsí reported that he attended the State of the City Luncheon held at the Hyatt on October 26, 2017 and attended ACWA 2017 Fall Conference held in Anaheim on November 27 through November 30, 2017.

Upon motion of Director Gladbach, seconded by Director Atkins and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM by the following voice votes (Item 8):

Director Atkins	Yes	Director Campbell	Yes
Director Colley	Yes	Director Cooper	Yes
President DiPrimio	Yes	Director Efstathiou	Yes
Director Gladbach	Yes	Director Kelly	Yes
Vice President Martin	Yes	Director McMillan	Absent
Director Pecsí	Yes		


April Jacobs, Board Secretary

ATTEST:


President of the Board

