

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE WATER SUPPLY & RELIABILITY COMMITTEE
OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, APRIL 20, 2012:**

A meeting of the Water Supply & Reliability Committee of the Palmdale Water District was held Friday, April 20, 2012, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, California, in the Board Room of the District office. Chair Dexter called the meeting to order.

1) Roll Call.

Attendance:

Water Supply & Reliability Cmte:
Gordon Dexter, Chair
Gloria Dizmang, Committee
Member

Others Present:

Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager
Jon Pernula, Water & Energy Resources Mngr.
Matt Knudson, Engineering Manager
Danielle Doll, Administrative Assistant
0 members of the public

2) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Committee Member Dizmang, seconded by Chair Dexter, and unanimously carried to adopt the agenda, as written.

3) Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

4) Action Items:

**4.1) Consideration and Possible Action on Approval of Minutes of Meeting
Held April 20, 2012.**

It was moved by Committee Member Dizmang, seconded by Chair Dexter, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the Water Supply & Reliability Committee meeting held April 20, 2012, as written.

**4.2) Presentation of Monthly Water Demand and Supply Status. (Water &
Energy Resources Manager Pernula)**

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula informed the Committee that the District's State Water Project allocation has been increased to 60% and then reviewed the water supply projections and charts included with the agenda packet followed by discussion of precipitation charts and the elevation of Littlerock Reservoir.

**4.3) Consideration and Possible Action on Strategic Water Resources Plan.
(Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula)**

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula reviewed additional comments received on the draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Report for the Strategic Water Resources Plan.

4.4) Consideration and Possible Action on Proposals for Preparation of Local Groundwater Assistance (LGA) Grant Application. (\$50,000.00 – Non-Budgeted – Engineering Manager Knudson)

Engineering Manager Knudson informed the Committee that staff is seeking assistance in preparing the grant application for the \$250,000.00 LGA offered by the Department of Water Resources; that staff has received two proposals for this work; and that based on review of the proposals, staff recommends accepting the proposal received from Wildermuth Environmental, Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$35,000.00, and after a further discussion of the grant, of District work performed by Wildermuth Environmental, Inc., and of the District's intent for the grant funds, the Committee concurred with staff's recommendation and that this item be presented to the full Board for consideration.

5) Project Updates.

5.1) Recycled Water Master Plan. (Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula)

Chair Dexter stated that there are no updates to report on this item due to litigation.

5.2) Garden Bar Water Supply and Power Project. (Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula reported that staff has been invited to attend a meeting at the upcoming ACWA Conference on this Project and that the next steps, outreach, and co-partnerships for this Project are scheduled to be discussed.

5.3) Water Purchase Opportunities. (Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula reported on the negotiations of the water purchase opportunity with Butte County followed by discussion of the number of State Water Project contractors and Littlerock Creek Irrigation District's use of their State Water Project allotment.

5.4) Water Treatment and Transportation Agreement Between Palmdale Water District and Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency – Acton Water Treatment Plant. (Engineering Manager Knudson)

Engineering Manager Knudson reported that AVEK's contractor for construction of this project has completed the boring underneath the railroad at Sierra Highway and are laying pipeline; that the District is providing construction inspection for the project; and then provided photographs of the railroad boring process followed by discussion of an anticipated completion date and construction of a raw water line to Palmdale Ditch after which Chair Dexter stated that this project is a success story and should be publicized when water is flowing.

5.5) Littlerock Dam Sediment Removal Project. (Engineering Manager Knudson)

Engineering Manager Knudson reported that the Forest Service has been responsive to submittals and requested feedback; that letters have been submitted to various quarry owners regarding disposal of sediment; and that a meeting is scheduled next week with one of the quarry owners.

6) Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda Matters.

There were no public comments on closed session agenda matters.

7) Closed Session Under:

7.1) Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation: *Antelope Valley Ground Water Cases.*

At 3:30 p.m. Chair Dexter called for a closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation – one case: *Antelope Valley Ground Water Cases*.

He reconvened the Committee meeting at 3:35 p.m.

8) Public Report of Any Action Taken in Closed Session.

Chair Dexter reported that a closed session had been held under Government Code Section 54956.9(a), Existing Litigation – one case: *Antelope Valley Ground Water Cases*; that the Committee was briefed on this matter; but that no reportable action under the Brown Act was taken in closed session on any of these matters.

9) Information Items.

There were no additional information items to discuss.


10) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

There were no requests for future agenda items.

Chair Dexter stated that the next Water Supply & Reliability Committee meeting will be held May 18, 2012 at 3:00 p.m.

11) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Water Supply & Reliability Committee, the meeting was adjourned.


Chair