MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE WATER SUPPLY & RELIABILITY COMMITTEE OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, JULY 27, 2012:

A meeting of the Water Supply & Reliability Committee of the Palmdale Water District was held Friday, July 27, 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:

Gordon Dexter, Chair

Gloria Dizmang, Committee

Member

Others Present:

Water Supply & Reliability Cmte: Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager

Robert Alvarado, PWD Director

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 June 15, 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 June 15, 2012, as written.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula stated that the District's current gallons per capita per day usage is lower than projected 2020 and 2015 goals; that water demand and production are slightly higher than projected; that surface treated water has

increased due to the Butte water purchase; and then reviewed additional water production graphs included in the agenda packets followed by discussion of educating homebuyers on the benefit of xeriscaping rather than turf landscaping, realtors being held responsible for a tenant's bill, the State Water Project and the District's 65% allocation, weather patterns for next year, water storage projects south of the Delta, local water storage and existing water banks, the District's banked water, water storage banking projects identified in the District's Strategic Water Resources Plan, the adjudication process, and forming a future water banking authority.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula stated that the Notice of Determination for the Strategic Water Resources Plan has been signed and will be filed with the County and the State Clearinghouse and that he and Engineering Manager Knudson are scheduled to meet next week to discuss alternatives and probable projects for establishing fees.

4.4) Discussion of the District's Water Banking Opportunities. (Chair Dexter)

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula stated that in addition to the opportunities previously mentioned, other opportunities are under discussion and negotiation followed by discussion of the District's 2,600 acre feet of banked water, additional supplies used during the worst period of drought, and improved water transfers through the State Water Project.

5) Project Updates.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula stated that there is no change in the status of the Recycled Water Master Plan.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula stated that the partners for the Garden Bar Water Supply and Power Project have publicly stated that this Project is on hold until future development indicating a need for future demand occurs and that the District will be kept informed as this Project proceeds followed by discussion of Metropolitan's participation in this Project.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula stated that he will provide additional information as the details for additional water purchase opportunities proceed followed by discussion of other agencies pursuing water purchase opportunities, State Water Project Table A permanent solutions including capacity components and pre-1914 water, and Chromium 6 levels near the Colorado River.

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 stated that the potable and raw water system for this Project have been tied in; that the contractor is continuing to work on clean-up items; that a flow test will be conducted in the next few weeks; and that the District is discussing a joint ribbon cutting ceremony with AVEK to announce the completion of this Project.

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

Engineering Manager Knudson stated that the Board approved the MOU with the Forest Service for this Project; that a revised project description has been provided to the Forest Service based on their comments; and that clarification is being provided regarding the Forest Service's recreation obligations at Littlerock Dam.

- 6) 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.

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

There was no closed session.

9) Information Items.

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula thanked the Committee for their support of the District's water resources projects followed by discussion of the District's efforts to ensure water supply, the complexity of these efforts, and development fees to cover infrastructure.

Committee Member Dizmang inquired about fire hydrant flushing followed by discussion of flushing dead-end water mains and the elimination of dead-end water mains in the distribution system.

There were no additional information items to discuss.

10) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

General Manager LaMoreaux recommended an item for "Status on the operations of the State Water Project" be included on the next agenda.

There were no further requests for future agenda items.

The next Water Supply & Reliability Committee meeting was then scheduled for August 17, 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