MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE WATER SUPPLY & RELIABILITY COMMITTEE OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, AUGUST 30, 2013:

A meeting of the Water Supply & Reliability Committee of the Palmdale Water District was held Friday, August 30, 2013, 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:	**Others Present:**
Water Supply & Reliability Cmte:	Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager
Gordon Dexter, Chair	Jon Pernula, Water & Energy Resources Manager
Gloria Dizmang, Committee Member	Matt Knudson, Engineering Manager
	Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant
	24 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 July 19, 2013.

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 July 19, 2013, as written.

4.2) Consideration and Possible Action on the Littlerock Creek Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Project. (Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula/Engineering Manager Knudson – Consultant Interviews: Kennedy Jenks Consultants, RMC Water and Environment, Black & Veatch, and GEI Consultants)

Engineering Manager Knudson introduced representatives from Kennedy Jenks Consultants, RMC Water and Environment, Black & Veatch, and GEI Consultants, who

are scheduled to interview for the preparation of a feasibility study for the proposed Littlerock Creek Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Project, after which each firm presented their qualifications, scope of work, and timeline for preparing this work.

After several questions, the Committee thanked the firms for the presentations and discussed the interviews, the information presented, and the future proposed use of recycled water, and staff stated that they will conduct an analysis of the proposals and present their recommendation at the next Committee meeting.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula reviewed the water supply projections and charts included with the agenda packet and informed the Committee that the District has sold 5% more water than budgeted and that the level of Palmdale Lake will be lowered for maintenance followed by discussion of reservoir supplies and the water supply projections and charts.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula informed the Committee that staff continues negotiations on water banking opportunities and will provide a full report when available.

4.5) Status on the Operations of the State Water Project. (Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula informed the Committee that discussions for initial State Water Project allocations have begun and are expected to be low.

5) Project Updates.

5.1) Palmdale Recycled Water Authority. (General Manager LaMoreaux)

General Manager LaMoreaux informed the Committee that supplying recycled water to the next park was discussed at the last Palmdale Recycled Water Authority meeting; that Authority staff will provide an update at the next meeting on Carollo's status for combining the City's and District's Plans into an Authority Plan, which will

include a balanced phasing of the growth of the recycled water system to include both the City's and District's requested use of recycled water; and that a meeting is scheduled the week of September 9 to discuss recycled water allocations for the Authority, Los Angeles County Waterworks, and the City of Palmdale's power plant.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula stated that water purchase opportunity negotiations are ongoing including negotiations with Butte County, the area of origin settlement agreements, a water agency from the coast, and San Bernardino.

Chair Dexter then stated that the details of water purchase opportunity negotiations are typically discussed in closed session.

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

Engineering Manager Knudson stated that the level of Littlerock Reservoir will be lowered after Labor Day and that a topographic survey of the Reservoir is scheduled to be conducted early October for design of the grade control structure and to measure sediment accumulation for removal followed by discussion of the arroyo toad.

6) Information Items.

General Manager LaMoreaux informed the Committee that the level of Palmdale Lake will be lowered more than usual for fall maintenance due to State Fish & Wildlife's experiment to burn cattails to improve habitat for the tri-colored blackbird and that if the Lake level needs to be lowered more than allowed for in the Rules & Regulations, an item will be presented to the Board for authorization to lower the Lake level.

There were no additional information items to discuss.

7) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

The next Water Supply & Reliability Committee meeting was scheduled for September 23, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

8) **Adjournment.**

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

Chair