MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE WATER SUPPLY & RELIABILITY COMMITTEE OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, OCTOBER 19, 2012:

A meeting of the Water Supply & Reliability Committee of the Palmdale Water District was held Friday, October 19, 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:	**Others Present:**
Water Supply & Reliability Cmte:	Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager
Gordon Dexter, Chair	Robert Alvarado, PWD Director
Gloria Dizmang, Committee Member	Jon Pernula, Water & Energy Resources Mngr.
	Matt Knudson, Engineering Manager
	Danielle Henry, 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 September 21, 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 September 21, 2012, as written.

4.2) 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 is selling more water than budgeted; that more surface water is being utilized

due to the Butte water purchase providing rest for District wells; that 1500 acre feet of water has been moved to West Kern for pay back of the 2007 water debt exchange agreement; that water use is trending towards the 71/28 surface water/groundwater split; that the year-end target of 75/25 is a work in progress; and that the current capita per day has slightly increased but is still below the 20 by 2020 goal.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula informed the Committee that he will be traveling to Northern California on Monday to discuss potential water banking opportunities with another State Water Contractor.

East side water banking was then briefly discussed.

4.4) Status on the operations of the State Water Project. (Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula)

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula provided an overview on the conditions of the State Water Project and stated that, as discussed at the last meeting, there continues to be a problem with releasing water from Oroville Dam due to mechanical problems with the hydro-generators at the Hyatt Plant; that only 2,400 CFS is running from Oroville Dam with 200,000 acre feet of water still stranded; that they are hopeful that the first major storm will increase the water elevation for water release through spillways; that the 2,400 CFS from Oroville Dam has a depleting factor due to rice farmers decomposing rice fields by flooding to avoid hefty fines from burning; that the Jones Pumping Plant on the federal side is moving full bore for now; and that the initial State Water Project allocation is unknown at this time.

Winter weather and water storage was then briefly discussed.

5) Project Updates.

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

General Manager LaMoreaux informed the Committee that Water Energy & Resources Manager Pernula and Engineering Manager Knudson have been meeting with City staff to work towards the first meeting of the Recycled Water JPA, after which it was

determined to replace this item on future agendas with a status update on the Recycled Water JPA.

The guidelines needed for establishing the fifth member of the Recycled Water JPA was then briefly discussed.

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

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula stated that he and General Manager LaMoreaux met with another State Water Contractor to discuss a potential Table A water purchase opportunity that may provide a long-term water supply solution for the District.

Table A water, water supply, and water storage was then briefly discussed.

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

After a brief discussion of removing this item from future agendas, Engineering Manager Knudson stated that the coordination between the District and AVEK is working out well; that 37 million gallons of treated water has been delivered by the District; and that AVEK has returned just under 30 million gallons of water from the State Water Project into Lake Palmdale.

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

Engineering Manager Knudson stated that this item continues to move slowly; that staff is ready to move forward but the Forest Service approval is needed for the notice of preparation and notice of intent; that the Forest Service is having a difficult time replacing their project manager; and that the role is currently being filled by the local district ranger.

Potential locations for storage of the sediment and the interest received for the sediment were then briefly discussed.

6) Information Items.

Water & Energy Resources Manager Pernula provided the 2013 tour calendar for the Bay Delta and Northern California dams and reservoirs followed by a brief discussion of tours through the Department of Water Resources and the Water Education Foundation.

There were no additional information items to discuss.

7) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

There were no requests for future agenda items.

8) Adjournment.

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

Chair