



**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

**Chino Basin Water Conservation District  
4594 San Bernardino Street  
Montclair, CA 91763**

**Friday, February 12, 2021**

**MINUTES**

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**CALL TO ORDER** – President King called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Board Members Present: President Terry King  
Vice President Margaret Hamilton  
Treasurer Marc Grupposo  
Director Gil Aldaco  
Director Hanif Gulmahamad  
Director Mark Ligtenberg  
Director Ryan Sonnenberg

Board Members Absent: None.

General Counsel Present: Leland McElhaney, Esq.

Staff Present: Executive Director Elizabeth Skrzat  
Administrative Services Manager Toyasha Sebbag

Visitors Present: Peter Kavounas, General Manager, Chino Basin Watermaster  
Eduardo Espinoza, Director of Engineering Services, Cucamonga Valley Water District  
William (Bill) Brunick, Partner Attorney  
Justin Scott-Coe, Monte Vista Water District/Appropriative Pool Committee Member

**ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA** – None.

**PRESENTATIONS** – None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** – None.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS** – None.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**1. Proposed Amendment to the Chino Basin Watermaster Peace Agreement.**

Executive Director Skrzat gave a brief history of the 2000 Optimum Basin Management Program (OBMP) that set the storage cap of the Chino Basin to 500,000 acre-feet that was later raised to 600,000 acre-feet in 2016. However, the 600,000 acre-feet cap is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2021. Moreover, the Appropriative Pool (AP) is requested to amend the storage cap to 700,000 or 750,000 acre-feet. Executive Director Skrzat then introduced Peter Kavounas, General Manager of the Chino Basin Watermaster to give a presentation on the background of the Peace Agreement Amendment. The AP is requesting comments from all Peace Agreement Signatories; therefore, as a signatory, the Chino Basin Water Conservation District is being asked to provide comments to the Peace Agreement Amendment for Program Element (PE) 8.

Mr. Kavounas took questions concerning current and future storage, hydraulic control of the basin, and storage framework investigation. He also clarified that the question being asked is how much local storage will rise and what impacts are expected in the future.

Lastly, at the request of Executive Director Skrzat, Mr. Kavounas detailed the reauthorization water program of 2030 that was decided in 2007.

Executive Director Skrzat asked if Justin Scott-Coe Monte Vista Water District/Appropriative Pool Committee Member wanted to add to the conversation. Mr. Scott-Coe responded that he appreciated the Board taking the time to address and discuss this issue. Director Gulmahamad asked if Mr. Scott-Coe supported the amendment to the peace agreement and Mr. Scott-Coe affirmed the recommended changes.

No formal motion was taken.

**ORAL REPORTS** – None.

**CLOSED SESSION** – The Board recessed to closed session at 7:30 p.m. to consider the following closed session item:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), (d)(4), discussion re potential litigation.

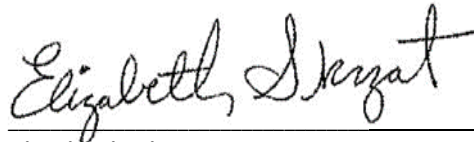
**REPORTABLE ACTION** – The meeting reconvened at 8:20 p.m. and had no reportable action.

**ADJOURN**

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**Director Aldaco adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m. to the next Regular Board Meeting of the Chino Basin Water Conservation District to be held on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. online at: <https://zoom.us/j/98961622935>.**

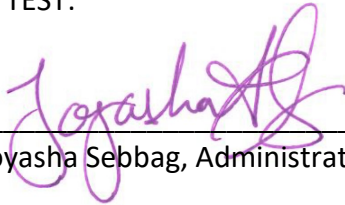
APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2021.



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Elizabeth Skrzat, Executive Director

ATTEST:



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Toyasha Sebbag, Administrative Services Manager