

## **MINUTES (Approved)**

Chairperson: Andy Pease  
Vice Chairperson: Thomas Burhenn  
Secretary: Brendan Clark

The following action minutes are listed as they were acted upon by the Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC) as listed on the Regular Meeting agenda for **December 6, 2023** together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

The video recording of the meeting and materials submitted to the WRAC are available online: [https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Committees-Programs/Water-Resources-Advisory-Committee-\(WRAC\).aspx](https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Committees-Programs/Water-Resources-Advisory-Committee-(WRAC).aspx)

Call to order at 1:30 PM

### **1) Determination of a Quorum and Introductions**

The number of voting Members present is 19; quorum met.

### **2) Approval of November 1, 2023 WRAC Meeting Minutes**

*Item start time ~ [00:04:18](#)*

A. Pease introduces the item and asks for questions or comments from the Committee.

C. Mulholland moves to approve the November 1, 2023 meeting minutes.

S. Sinton seconds the motion.

Motion carries 19-0-0-1.

### **3) Presentation from John Lindsey on the Central Coast Climate**

*Item start time ~ [00:04:50](#)*

Item to be rescheduled for a later meeting date.

### **4) Presentation from County of SLO on the Master Water Report Update**

*Item start time ~ [00:05:20](#)*

A. Pease introduces the item and A. Baldwin and B. Clark present on the Master Water Report update.

D. Chipping comments on groundwater basin management elements/indicators not being included in the Master Water Report update and asks how one can get a realistic view of groundwater constraints if these are left out. B. Clark responds.

G. Grewal comments on the inclusion and accuracy of Urban Water Management Plans and asks if the information included in those plans will be fact checked. A. Pease responds.

S. Carter comments on integrating basin management data into the Master Water Report, noting that the GSAs are performing similar efforts, and it would be a valuable opportunity to have all of these resources in one place. B. Clark responds.

E. Greening asks how the Master Water Report will handle the complex nature of fractured rock areas which exist outside of the managed groundwater basins, adding that perhaps the work being done in the Adelaida area could become a model for other similar areas. B. Clark responds.

C. Mulholland comments on the technology being applied to the project and how the opportunity to provide this type of water data/reporting is encouraging.

T. Burhenn asks for clarification on how supply is defined. For example, if the City of Morro Bay is allocated 500 AFY from the SWP, but only uses 200 AFY, which number is considered their supply? Are historical supplies the amounts that are actually used, or what they could have used? Perhaps the pie charts could be modified to show surplus or deficit to help clarify. B. Clark and A. Baldwin respond.

G. Grewal comments on discrepancies between State Water surplus and the allocations that were actually delivered.

D. Chipping asks if the database will include basin annual safe yield data. B. Clark responds.

L. Chipping comments on additional public outreach and holding workshops to get more input from the public. A. Pease and B. Clark respond.

D. Chipping comments that it would be useful to have a box chart of contacts for data integration inputs.

**5) Consider Endorsing Agriculture At-Large Applications of Patricia Wilmore, Mary Van Ryn and Jason Yeager**

*Item start time ~ [00:57:18](#)*

T. Burhenn introduces the item and Patricia Wilmore, Mary Van Ryn and Jason Yeager introduce themselves and provide background on their experience for endorsement consideration.

Committee Members discuss candidate qualifications and preferences.

G. Grewal comments that the Committee should endorse representatives that serve the community and not just special interests.

C. Mulholland moves to recommend the following membership endorsements for approval by the Board of the Supervisors:

1. Mary Van Ryn as the Agriculture At-Large Member
2. Patricia Wilmore as the Agriculture At-Large Alternate Member
3. Jason Yeager as the Agriculture At-Large Alternate Member

S. Carter seconds the motion.

Motion carries 16-2-0-2.

## **6) Ongoing Updates**

*Item start time ~ [01:15:11](#)*

a) Rain & Reservoir Report

No comments.

b) California Drought Monitor Summary

No comments.

c) Groundwater Basin Management Efforts

G. Grewal comments on the progress of groundwater well monitoring efforts in the Paso Basin.

d) Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM)

No comments.

e) Master Water Report (MWR) Update

No comments.

f) State Water Project (SWP)

No comments.

g) Desalination Executable Solution and Logistics Plan (DESAL Plan)

No comments.

h) Various County Water Programs, Policies, and Ordinances

No comments.

i) Open Reporting on Water Conservation Opportunities & Information

No comments.

## **7) Future Agenda Items**

None

## **8) Public Comment for Items not on Agenda**

None