



**FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY
WATER/WASTEWATER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE and
ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE JOINT MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 3, 2016 | FORA Conference Room
920 2nd Avenue, Suite A, Marina CA 93933

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dan Dawson called the WWOC meeting to order at 9:58 a.m. The following were present:

Committee Members:

Melanie Beretti, Monterey County
Elizabeth Caraker, City of Monterey
Mike Lerch, California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB)
Layne Long, City of Marina
Steve Matarazzo, University of California Santa Cruz
Rick Riedl, City of Seaside
Dan Dawson, City of Del Rey Oaks

Tim O'Halloran, City of Seaside
Chris Placco, CSUMB
Bob Schaffer
Beth Palmer
Andy Sterbenz
Mike Wegley, MCWD
Doug Yount

Other Attendees:

Patrick Breen, Marina Coast Water District (MCWD)
Jim Brezack
Brian Boudreau
Elizabeth Caraker, City of Monterey
Diane Ingersoll, City of Seaside
Craig Malin, City of Seaside
Steve Matarazzo
Mike McCollough, Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control
Agency (MRWPCA)
Vicki Nakamura, Monterey Peninsula College
Keith Van der Maaten, MCWD

FORA Staff:

Jonathan Brinkmann
Steve Endsley
Mary Israel
Peter Said
Michael A. Houlemard Jr.

2. BUSINESS ITEMS

- a. Water Augmentation Program: Three Party Planning Report
Project Specialist Peter Said gave a presentation on the history, current negotiations and potential future of the water augmentation program for the Ord Community. Mr. Said stated that in April 2016, MCWD and MRWPCA will take the case to the California Public Utilities Commission (PUC), and Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) staff are recommending that the Board of Directors (Board) pass a resolution supporting the Three Party Planning because it is ready now, and the end result will lower the cost of water delivered to the Ord Community, prevent environmental impacts of multiple pipelines and has flexibility to meet two thirds of FORA's 2020 water augmentation obligation.
Mr. Said also introduced the FORA staff recommendation that will go to the Board for a financial commitment to the pipeline construction.

Mr. Said presented an update on the three-party Memorandum of Understanding with a budget splitting the cost three ways among FORA, MRWPCA and MCWD and a Scope of Work to assemble a technical advisory group that would work with jurisdictions on the secondary water augmentation project.

Mr. Said proposed that the Request for Proposals for a consultant to do an alternatives study, which would inform the three-party technical advisory group, could go to the Board in April for consideration.

During the presentation, he answered questions from members of the two committees and the public. Particularly, he clarified that a shared pipeline does not mean the Tertiary and Advanced Treated Water are blended, but that MCWD's allotment of water would be delivered to MRWPCA facilities where it would become Advanced Treated Water for release to Ord Community. He also clarified that use would include landscaping irrigation. Andy Sterbenz said a separate study could be done on water injection and control of who draws back out. Dan Dawson asked why the pipeline is not planned to extend to Del Rey Oaks. Elizabeth Caraker asked why the pipeline is not planned to extend to Monterey.

Questions and comments by committee members after the presentation were:

Mike Lerch asked who the "ratepayer" is that is referred to as getting a lower cost water if the CIP has a lowered cost.

Rick Riedl said that the PUC will want to know where the cost of supply will go in the Pure Water project.

Steve Matarazzo asked if MCWD is willing to put MRWPCA Pure Water into the groundwater and, if Cal Am becomes a buyer, would the PUC need to be involved for MCWD's water.

Mike Lerch asked how the three-party system will handle ratepayers who opt to source switch. How would the project have an idea of the volume?

Mike Lerch asked is the FORA CIP will be used to get the cost of the Pure Water project down. He commented that, if that is the case, it should be known and let it be known that, if water augmentation starts with desalinization, then it would start with an even higher price point.

Questions and comments by members of the public or administrative committee were:

A member of the public asked why the PUC would turn down the Pure Water project proposal.

Doug Yount asked if the Three-Parties anticipate financing agreements with each end user and if those users will provide the CIP dollars.

Bob Schaffer asked if they will produce a breakdown of the cost per month to the end users.

Doug Yount asked if the PUC will review the main pipeline only or secondary pipelines to other developments. He also asked if there will be sufficient supply coming in from the alternative sources to make the Pure Water pipeline deliver more than traditional reclaimed water as previously proposed.

Mike Wegley said, regardless of desalinization plant or Pure Water, there is no "magic bullet" because they have to get many land use approvals to meet the pipeline needs.

Doug Yount complimented the Pure Water project's scale-ability by remarking that the desalinization project would have a limited size plant and small capacity and, as an application at the PUC, it will unlikely be anticipated as an alternative.

Craig Malin suggested the parties pursue multiple alternatives.

3. ITEMS FROM MCWD

None.

4. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Dawson adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.