



AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2018
1:30 PM**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Agricultural Water Advisory Committee was held on October 1, 2018, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Mitchell Mariani called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm.

Members in attendance were:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Mitchell Mariani
District 2	James Provenzano
District 3	William Cilker* David Vanni
District 5	Jan Garrod
District 6	Robert Long
District 7	Sandra Carrico
Private Well Owner (Non Retail)	Dhruv Khanna*

Members not in attendance were:

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Russ Bonino
District 5	Michael Miller
Santa Clara County Farm Bureau	Sheryl O. Kennedy

*Committee members arrived as noted below.

Board members in attendance were: Director Nai Hsueh, Board Alternate, Director Richard P. Santos, and Director John L. Varela.

Staff members in attendance were: Glenna Brambill, Jerry De La Piedra, Vanessa De La Piedra, Vicki Elam, Vincent Gin, Samantha Greene, Garth Hall, Nina Hawk, Cindy Kao, Brian Mendenhall, Afshin Rouhani and Darin Taylor,

*Mr. Dhruv Khanna, and Mr. William Cilker arrived at 1:33 p.m.

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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It was moved by Jan Garrod, seconded by David Vanni and unanimously carried to approve the April 2, 2018, Agricultural Water Advisory Committee meeting minutes, as presented.

4. ACTION ITEMS

Chair Mariani moved to Agenda Item 4.3.

4.3 STAFF RESPONSES TO AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SPECIAL FEBRUARY 26, 2018 MEETING

Mr. Darin Taylor presented the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

Mr. Dhruv Khanna, Mr. Robert Long had questions about rate setting, constraints of expenditures for security of water supplies, public safety, fish at the Anderson Reservoir, creek cleanups, and homeless encampments.

Mr. Vincent Gin was available to answer questions.

No action taken.

Chair Mariani moved to Agenda Item 4.1.

4.1 UPDATE ON THE SANTA CLARA VALLEY AGRICULTURAL PLAN

Ms. Samantha Greene presented the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

Mr. Jan Garrod, Mr. Dhruv Khanna, Ms. Sandra Carrico, and Mr. James Provenzano inquired about captured water and water quality. Ms. Carrico gave information on urban agriculture expansion.

Mr. Jerry De La Piedra, Mr. Michael Meehan from Santa Clara County and Director John L. Varela were available to answer questions.

No action taken.

Chair Mariani moved to Agenda Item 6.1.

6. REPORTS

6.1 Director's Report

Director John L. Varela reported on the following:

- Board Action
- Upcoming Meetings:
- Water Conservation
- Flood Awareness for Winter 2018-19
- Projects
- Communications and Community Outreach

Director Richard P. Santos reported briefly on the following:

- Rates
- Partnerships

Chair Mariani moved to Agenda Item 4.2.

4.2 UPDATE ON DISTRICT EFFORTS RELATED TO FLOOD RISK REDUCTION, AGRICULTURAL LANDS, AND GROUNDWATER RECHARGE IN THE COYOTE VALLEY AREA

Mr. Asfhin Rouhani presented the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

Mr. Jan Garrod and Mr. Mitchell Mariani had were concerned about the District pond, the flow, banking and storing water, underdeveloped, and developing land.

Ms. Vanessa De La Piedra, Ms. Cindy Kao and Mr. Brian Mendenhall were available to answer questions.

No action taken.

Chair Mariani moved to Agenda Item 4.4

4.4 UPDATE ON CALIFORNIA WATERFIX

Ms. Cindy Kao reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda.

Mr. Jan Garrod, Mr. Mitchell Mariani, and Mr. Robert Long had questions about concerning the WaterFix costs especially concerning Farmers.

Ms. Nina Hawk, Ms. Jerry De La Piedra, and Mr. Garth Hall were available to answer questions.

Mr. Darin Taylor re-entered the meeting to answer questions regarding the Farmer's cost-share per acre foot.

No action taken.

4.5 REVIEW AGRICULTURAL WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS; AND THE COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Ms. Glenna Brambill Committee Liaison reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda.

It was moved by Mr. Jan Garrod, seconded by Mr. David Vanni and unanimously carried to approve the 2018 work plan and January 7, 2019, draft agenda.

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS TO THE BOARD

Ms. Glenna Brambill reported there were no action items for Board consideration.

Chair Mariani moved to Agenda Item 6.2.

6. REPORTS

6.2 Manager's Report

Mr. Garth Hall reported on the following:

- Bay Delta Plan – Phases I and II
- Zone of Benefits – Groundwater Basin Subject Charges
- Stakeholder Meetings November/December 2018 (Director's will be invited)

6.3 Committee Member Reports

Chair Mitchell Mariani introduced and welcomed the newest Committee Member Ms. Sandra Carrico.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mariani adjourned at 3:16 pm to the next regular meeting on Monday, January 7, 2019, at 1:30 pm, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building Boardroom.

Vicki Elam
Board Committee Liaison
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: 1-7-19