



**SAWPA COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 10, 2016**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Thomas P. Evans, Chair, Western Municipal Water District  
Ed Killgore, Vice Chair, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District  
Ronald W. Sullivan, Secretary-Treasurer, Eastern Municipal Water District  
Phil Anthony, Orange County Water District [9:17 a.m.]  
Terry Catlin, Inland Empire Utilities Agency [9:10 a.m.]

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT**

None.

**ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS  
PRESENT; NON-VOTING**

Jasmin Hall, Alternate, Inland Empire Utilities Agency [9:06 a.m.]  
Steve Copelan, Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District [9:28 a.m.]  
Brenda Dennstedt, Alternate, Western Municipal Water District [9:14 a.m.]

**STAFF PRESENT**

Celeste Cantú, Rich Haller, Larry McKenney, Mark Norton, Carlos  
Qunitero, Mike Antos, Kelly Berry

The Special Commission Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chair Evans at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California.

**1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Roll call was duly noted and recorded by the Clerk of the Board.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**4. WORKSHOP DISCUSSION AGENDA**

**A. STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT – One Water One Watershed (OWOW)**

Paul Brown, of Paul Redvers Brown, Inc., opened the workshop by providing the handouts listed below and reiterating the discussion topic for this Ma 10 workshop would specifically include One Water One Watershed (OWOW). Discussion of the Inland Empire Brine Line and Roundtables took place during the April 28 workshop.

**One Water One Watershed (OWOW)**

Handouts Provided by Paul Brown for One Water One Watershed (OWOW) workshop discussion: (1) Purpose and Objectives; and (2) Critical Success Factors (CSFs). The OWOW Processes, Activities and Tasks (PATs) will be reviewed and discussed at a future workshop.

The Purpose and Objectives as well as and Critical Success Factors outlined in the handouts were reviewed and discussed at length, the result of which was a final distillation of Purpose and Objectives and Critical Success Factors as follows:

**Purpose and Objectives:**

- Fulfill SAWPA's role as a CA IRWM Program Regional Water Management Group and provide for process of determining IRWM funding determinations. Meet statutory requirements.
- Prepare an integrated watershed-wide water management plan that is updated regularly that meets regional needs and DWR IRWM plan requirements, and provides safe, clean, reliable and affordable water for the Santa Ana River Watershed. Write a good plan. Credible regional plan that best serves the watershed that complies with funding requirements.
- Facilitate the discovery and development of new watershed solutions.
- Maximizes grant opportunities and policy influence by uniting efforts watershed wide.

**Critical Success Factors (CSFs):**

- Provide continued support from SAWPA commission of OWOW Steering Committee's decision making authority as a means of ensuring trust, transparency, and external communications.
- Provide for active participation of a diverse group of stakeholders representing counties, cities, and water districts, as well as the private sector and the regulatory, environmental, and environmental justice communities who integrate the different interests in the watershed beyond political boundaries. Ensuring all perspectives are heard and valued.
- Distribute benefits of all IRWM implementation funding assigned to the Santa Ana River Watershed across the watershed in a fair and equitable fashion. Recognize that upstream conditions affect downstream water quality and quantity.
- Ensure that the OWOW process makes criteria and values transparent to watershed-wide stakeholders.
- Maintain a strong reputation and sufficient capacity within SAWPA staff for strategic facilitation, leadership and community engagement.
- Accomplish administration of the OWOW process and plan in a highly efficient and cost-effective manner.
- Successful implementation of an integrated regional water resource plan that reflects the watershed management needs of the public and the environment.
- Annually review the accomplishments and implementation performance of the plan with the Commission and the Steering Committee.
- Ensure that the data and information needed for decision-making is available to all.

The need for a third workshop was discussed, and it was the consensus of all workshop participants that the third workshop will take place during the July 19, 2016 regular meeting of the Commission.

Prior to the July 19 meeting, SAWPA staff will prepare and submit PATs to Paul Brown who will compile and distribute to workshop participants. Non-Commission workshop participants will also meet collectively with Paul Brown as he deems necessary, either in person or via conference call. The work product of those discussions will be presented to the Commission at the July 19 meeting.

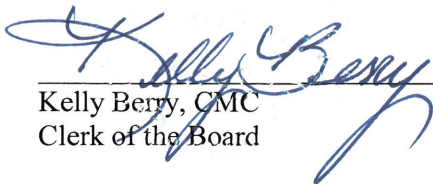
5. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for review, Chair Evans adjourned the meeting at 11:45 p.m.

**Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission on Tuesday,  
May 17, 2016.**

  
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Ed Killgore, Vice Chair

Attest:

  
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Kelly Berry, CMC  
Clerk of the Board