



**PROJECT AGREEMENT 23 COMMITTEE**  
Santa Ana River Conservation and Conjunctive Use Program (SARCCUP)  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 5, 2019**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kati Parker, Chair, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Board Governing Board  
Brenda Dennstedt, Vice Chair, Western Municipal Water District Board Governing Board (8:25 a.m.)  
Susan Lien Longville, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Governing Board  
Paul D. Jones, Eastern Municipal Water District General Manager  
Michael Markus, Orange County Water District General Manager

**ALTERNATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT [Non-Voting]**

None.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

None.

**MEMBER AGENCY STAFF PRESENT**

**Eastern Municipal Water District**  
Brian Powell

**Inland Empire Utilities Agency**  
Jason Pivovaroff  
Joshua Aguilar

**Orange County Water District**  
None

**San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District**  
Bob Tincher

**Western Municipal Water District**  
Craig Miller  
Ryan Shaw

**Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority**  
Mark Norton  
Karen Williams  
Larry McKenney  
Dean Unger  
Ian Achimore  
Kelly Berry

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Woodard & Curran: Brian Dietrick | Scott Goldman

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the PA 23 Committee was called to order at 8:34 a.m. by Acting Chair Parker at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**3. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Committee Member Longville nominated Kati Parker to serve as Chair of the PA 23 Committee, which was seconded by Committee Member Markus.

**MOVED**, appoint Kati Parker Chair of the PA 23 Committee.

Result:	<b>Adopted (Unanimously)</b>
Motion/Second:	Longville/Markus
Ayes	Dennstedt, Parker, Longville, Jones, Markus
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

Committee Member Jones nominated Brenda Dennstedt to serve as Vice Chair of the PA 23 Committee, which was seconded by Chair Parker.

**MOVED**, appoint Brenda Dennstedt Vice Parker Chair of the PA 23 Committee.

Result:	<b>Adopted (Unanimously)</b>
Motion/Second:	Jones/Parker
Ayes	Dennstedt, Parker, Longville, Jones, Markus
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

**4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: December 4, 2018**

Chair Parker and Committee Members Longville and Dennstedt stated they were not present at the on December 4, 2018 would accordingly abstain from voting. Chair Parker inquired of legal counsel if committee members not present at the meeting could vote to approve the meeting minutes. Larry McKenney advised that a committee member can vote on the meeting minutes whether or not they were in attendance; a vote approving is simply confirming review of the minutes and affirming that they accurately reflect what occurred at the meeting. Committee Member Jones affirmed the accuracy of the meeting minutes. Vice Chair Dennstedt noted confirmation of accuracy from WMWD staff in the audience who were present December 4, 2018.

**MOVED**, approve the December 4, 2018 meeting minutes.

Result:	<b>Adopted (Unanimously)</b>
Motion/Second:	Markus/Jones
Ayes	Dennstedt, Parker, Longville, Jones, Markus
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

**5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

**A. SARCCUP OVERVIEW AND CURRENT STATUS UPDATE FOR NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Bob Tincher, SBVMWD, provided a PowerPoint presentation with an overview and current status of SARCCUP. There are three elements of SARCCUP: habitat improvement, water use efficiency, and groundwater banking. Total project cost is \$162,313,632; \$55,000,000 is Proposition 84 grant funding and \$107,313,632 is local matching funds. Local matching funds are proportioned based on the project partner's benefit/use of the facilities. SARCCUP storage volume will be greater than Lake Perris, Big Bear Lake, or Lake Silverwood.

PA 23 Committee governs the conjunctive use and habitat restoration aspects of SARCCUP and the PA 22 Committee governs water use efficiency through the construction phase. Following construction, an operations committee comprised of SAWPA member agency representatives will govern operation of the facilities.

The final SARCCUP project will be brought before the Committee in spring or summer of 2019 – final projects, storage volume and locations, and a breakdown of grant funding and matching funds.

Committee Member Longville requested additional information on the Smartscape program – when the services will be available and how they can be acquired. Ian Achimore noted he would provide a list of participating agencies within SBVMWD. Vice Chair Dennstedt asked what is planted in place of the removed Arundo to deter erosion and was advised native vegetation is abundant in these areas and quickly overgrows the areas.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.A.

**B. SARCCUP DETAILED SCHEDULE**

Brian Dietrick, Woodard & Curran referenced the SARCCUP detailed schedule contained in the agenda packet (pages 7-14). There was no discussion.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.B.

**C. SARCCUP CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) STATUS**

Joshua Aguilar, IEUA, provided an oral report on the joint Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The draft EIR was published in November 2018; the public review period closed December 2018. They are on schedule for consideration by IEUA in February and then by OCWD and WMWD in March.

Bob Tincher, SBVMWD, advised their draft EIR will be released in March with the final expected in June.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.C.

**D. METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT AGREEMENT STATUS**

Brian Powell, EMWD, noted they are in the process of developing a term sheet and will be meeting with MWD in the future; the term sheet will be the basis of an agreement when the parties are in concurrence.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.D.

**E. SARCCUP PROPOSITION 84 GRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT AND SUB-AGREEMENTS**

Mark Norton provided an oral report. Amendment No. 1. was prepared and submitted to DWR for consideration; DWR is in the process of signing. Staff is now working on Amendment No. 2.

WMWD adopted their sub-agreement in November 2018 and it incorporates this latest DWR amendment. SBVMWD adopted their sub-agreement in April 2017, and they are currently updating the grant funding portion and removing certain conjunctive use facilities. EMWD adopted in March 2017, and they are currently updating the grant funding portion which is under review by their legal counsel. OCWD and IEUA adoption is scheduled for April 2019, as they await conclusion of the joint CEQA process. Orange County Coastkeeper adopted their sub-agreement in November 2017.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.E.

**6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

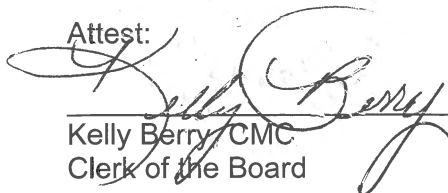
Committee Member Jones requested for next meeting and as we move forward with the MWD term sheet/agreement that we have an overview of the terms and conditions for the committee members given its importance in the overall SARCCUP process. He stressed the importance of a status update and briefing before the full agreement is brought before the committee for consideration.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for review, Chair Parker adjourned the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

**Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Project Agreement 23 Committee on Tuesday, April 2, 2019.**

  
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Kati Parker, Chair

Attest:  
  
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Kelly Berry, CMC  
Clerk of the Board