

PROJECT AGREEMENT 22 COMMITTEE

Interregional Landscape Water Demand Reduction Program
REGULAR MFETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 10, 2020

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael Markus, General Manager, Orange County Water District [Vice Chair] Shivaji Deshmukh, General Manager, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Heather Dyer, General Manager, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Craig Miller, General Manager, Western Municipal Water District

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul D. Jones, General Manager, Eastern Municipal Water District [Chair]

STAFF PRESENT

Rich Haller, Mark Norton, Dean Unger, Ian Achimore, Kelly Berry, Zyanya Ramirez

OTHERS PRESENT

T. Milford Harrison; Andrew D. Turner, Lagerlof, LLP

1. CALL TO ORDER

The PA22 Committee meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m. by Vice Chair Markus at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 23, 2020

MOVED, approve the January 23, 2020 meeting minutes.

Result:

Adopted (Passed)

Motion/Second:

Deshmukh, Miller

Ayes

Markus, Deshmukh, Dyer, Miller

Nays: Abstentions:

None None

Absent:

Jones

4. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. <u>ADOPTION OF SUB-AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS | CHINO HILLS AND RANCHO CALIFORNIA WATER DISTRICT (PA22#2020.5)</u>

lan Achimore provided the PowerPoint presentation contained in the agenda packet on pages 14-24.

The Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Drought Grant executed between SAWPA and the Department of Water Resources includes two projects: 1) Project 1 – Conservation Based Reporting Tools and Rate Structure Implementation (Project 1), and 2) Project 2 – High Visibility Turf Removal and Retrofit (Project 2).

Project 1's total grant budget is \$6,435,676. As of January 31, 2020, \$160,945 remained to be

utilized. In order to fully use the budgeted grant funds, SAWPA proposes to allocate the remaining funds as follows:

- \$40,000 to Chino (Water Rates)
- \$91,700 to Chino Hills (Water Rates)
- \$25,745 to Rancho California Water District (IRWM Project Management)
- \$3,500 ESRI (Aerial Imagery Dashboard)

Allocations to the City of Chino Hills and Rancho California Water Districts will require amendments to their respective agreements. Both agencies are implementing Conservation-Based Water Rates.

MOVED, to ensure the Drought Grant's program savings for the Conservation Based Reporting Tools and Rate Structure Project are utilized, authorize the General Manager to execute the following documents:

- 1. Amendment No. 2 to the Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Program ("IRWMP") 2014 Drought Solicitation Implementation Grant Funding Contract with the City of Chino Hills for an amount not to exceed \$1,184,000 in grant funding, reflecting an increase of \$40,000 from \$1,144,005 to \$1,184,000; and,
- 2. Amendment No. 1 to the Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Program ("IRWMP") 2014 Drought Solicitation Implementation Grant Funding Contract with Rancho California Water District for an amount not to exceed \$25,745 in grant funding, which ensures the grant funding obligation of \$1,103,110 to the USMW is met.

Result:

Adopted (Passed)

Motion/Second:

Miller/Dyer

Ayes

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Markus, Deshmukh, Dyer, Miller

Nays: Abstentions: None None

Absent: Jones

AGENCY (PA22#2020.6)

Ian Achimore provided the PowerPoint presentation contained in the agenda packet on pages

B. ADOPTION OF SUB-AGREEMENT AMENDMENT | INLAND EMPIRE UTLITIES

The Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Drought Grant executed between SAWPA and the Department of Water Resources includes two projects: 1) Project 1 Conservation Based Reporting Tools and Rate Structure Implementation (Project 1), and 2) Project 2 – High Visibility Turf Removal and Retrofit (Project 2).

To ensure that cost savings from Project 2 were utilized before the deadline, staff allocated the cost savings on a "first come, first serve" basis amongst the project leads in the Fall of 2019. The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) was the only agency that submitted reimbursement costs of \$117,865 to SAWPA under this process. This amount would total their grant funding under Project 2 to \$1,256,865.

To process IEUA's last invoice, the execution of a sub-grantee agreement amendment with IEUA is needed. This would increase the total Proposition 84 IRWM Drought Grant funding from \$6,306,569 to \$6,424,434.

MOVED, to authorize the General Manager to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Program ("IRWMP") 2014 Drought Solicitation Implementation Grant Funding Contract with the Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) for an amount not to exceed \$117,865 in grant funding for the Turf Removal and Retrofit Project increasing the grant funding to IEUA from \$6,306,569 to \$6,424,434.

Result:

Adopted (Passed)

Motion/Second:

Dyer/Miller

Ayes

Markus, Deshmukh, Dyer, Miller

Nays:

None

Abstentions:

None

Absent:

Jones

C. SMARTSCAPE UPDATE (PA22#2020.7)

lan Achimore provided the PowerPoint presentation contained in the agenda packet on pages 49-55.

The Santa Ana River Conservation and Conjunctive Use Program (SARCCUP) is funded through local match from the SAWPA member agencies and the Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) 2015 Round Grant with the Department of Water Resources. Within SARCCUP, the Smartscape Program focuses on water use efficiency and was designed to implement various turf removal rebates. The Orange County Coastkeeper (OCCK) is the project partner and lead to implementing the Smartscape Program and the SAWPA member agencies are the lead for requesting tasks to be completed by OCCK.

As of December 31, 2019, the Smartscape Program is 85% implemented. It is estimated that the project will be completed in the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District service area by May 2020 and in the Western Municipal Water District service area by July 2020.

The Inland Empire Utilities Agency had much success with implementing improvements to customer's private properties that after spending their Smartscape Program allocated monies they continue to offer their Smartscape Program services through other funding sources.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 4.C.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, the meeting ended at 8:52 a.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Project Agreement 22 Committee on Tuesday, July 14, 2020.

Paul D. Jones, Chai

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Kelly Berry, CMC

Clerk of the Board