



PROJECT AGREEMENT 24 COMMITTEE
Inland Empire Brine Line
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 5, 2021

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

T. Milford Harrison, Chair, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Governing Board
Mike Gardner, Vice Chair, Western Municipal Water District Governing Board
Joe Mouawad, Eastern Municipal Water District General Manager
Jasmin A. Hall, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Governing Board

ALTERNATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT [Non-Voting]

David Slawson, Alternate, Eastern Municipal Water District Governing Board
Shivaji Deshmukh, Alternate, Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Gil Botello, Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Governing Board

STAFF PRESENT

Jeff Mosher, Karen Williams, David Ruhl, Dean Unger, Marie Jauregui, Sara Villa, Haley Mulla

OTHERS PRESENT

Andrew D. Turner, Lagerlof, LLP; Nick Kanetis, Eastern Municipal Water District; Cathy Pieroni, Inland Empire Utilities Agency; Ken Tam, Inland Empire Utilities Agency; Heather Dyer, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District; Craig Miller, Western Municipal Water District

1. CALL TO ORDER| PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The regular meeting of the PA 24 Committee was called to order at 11:40 a.m. by Chair Harrison on behalf of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California. Pursuant to the provisions of AB 361, this meeting was conducted virtually. All votes taken during this meeting were conducted via oral roll call.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments; there were no public comments received via email.

3. ITEMS TO BE ADDED OR DELETED

There were no added or deleted items.

4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

Chair Harrison called for a motion to approve the September 7, 2021; meeting minutes as posted.

MOVED, approve the September 7, 2021, meeting minutes.

Result:	Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Gardner/Mouawad
Ayes	Gardner, Hall, Harrison, Mouawad
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

5. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. INLAND EMPIRE BRINE LINE DISCHARGER LEASE AGREEMENT (PA24#2021.17)

David Ruhl provided a presentation on the Inland Empire Brine Line Discharger Lease Agreement, contained in the agenda packet on pages 11-18. Through the Capacity Utilization Program, 0.5 MGD of unused capacity right in the Brine Line was added to the Lease Capacity Pool and available to existing and potential customers. Currently, 3.013 MGD of pipeline capacity right and 1.52 MGD of treatment and disposal capacity right have been contributed to the Lease Capacity Pool from Western Municipal Water District (WMWD), Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA), and SAWPA with one discharger lease with Rialto Bioenergy Facility (RBF) for 0.25 MGD. Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) is constructing the Perris II Desalter adjacent to their existing desalters in the City of Menifee. Perris II will treat brackish groundwater and produce about 5.4 MGD of potable water. EMWD has requested from SAWPA to lease 0.50 MGD of treatment and disposal capacity. EMWD has sufficient Brine Line pipeline capacity right but needs additional treatment and disposal capacity. Sufficient capacity is available in the Lease Capacity Pool to provide the requested lease amount to EMWD. The Lease Discharger Agreement was developed and contains the following pertinent points:

- SAWPA agrees to lease to EMWD 0.5 MGD of treatment and disposal capacity right at a wastewater strength of 100 mg/L BOD and 100 mg/L TSS.
- A discharge permit is required to use the leased capacity.
- Effective date of the lease is December 1, 2021.
- EMWD will pay SAWPA a lease charge of \$17,793.75 per month.
- EMWD will pay regular brine line rates to SAWPA for flow, BOD, TSS, Fixed Pipe, and Fixed Treatment.
- Term of the lease shall be for a period of five (5) years. Renewal of the lease is only allowed by agreement by SAWPA and EMWD and is contingent upon the availability of Capacity in the Lease Capacity Pool.

Committee Member Mouawad expressed his appreciation in the development of the agreement and informed the Committee that it will be brought forward to EMWD's Board for approval.

MOVED, Authorize the General Manager to execute a Discharger Lease Agreement with Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) to lease 0.50 million gallons per day (MGD) of Brine Line treatment and disposal capacity right at a wastewater strength of 100 mg/l Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD) and 100 mg/l Total Suspended Solids (TSS) from the Lease Capacity Pool for a period of five (5) years.

Result:	Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Gardner/Hall
Ayes:	Gardner, Hall, Harrison, Mouawad
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Recommendation: Receive and file the following oral/written reports/updates.

A. BRINE LINE FINANCIAL REPORT – JULY 2021

7. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests for future Agenda items.

Chair Harrison recessed the meeting at 11:50 a.m. for Closed Session.

8. CLOSED SESSION

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION – PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(2)

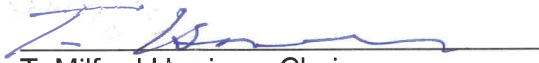
Number of Potential Cases: One

Chair Harrison resumed Open Session at 12:39 p.m. and Legal Counsel, Andy Turner announced that the PA 24 Committee received a report from SAWPA staff and counsel; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 8.A.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, Chair Harrison adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Project Agreement 24 Committee on November 2, 2021.


T. Milford Harrison, Chair

Attest:


Sara Villa, Clerk of the Board