

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2012**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, December 13, 2012 at Noon at the Clearwater Building at 16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA 90723.

Chair Chris Cash called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Roll was called through self-introductions and a quorum of the board was declared present. A Sign-In Sheet was provided to all attendees for sign-in.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Christopher Cash	Paramount
Vice-Chair Adriana Figueroa	Norwalk
Charlie Honeycutt	Signal Hill
Young Park (alternate)	Bell
Chau Vu (alternate)	Bell Gardens
Deborah Chankin	Bellflower
Charles Emig (alternate)	Cerritos
Gina Nila	Commerce
Anthony Arevalo	Long Beach
Kevin Wattier	Long Beach Water Dept.
Jose Molina (alternate)	Lynwood
Gladis Deros	Pico Rivera
Frank Beach	Santa Fe Springs
Mohammad Mostahkami (alternate)	South Gate
Scott Rigg (alternate)	Vernon
David Pelser	Whittier

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Carlos Alba	Artesia
Terry Rodrigue	Bell
N/A	Central Basin MWD
Art Cervantes	Pico Rivera
John Oskoui	Downey
Bill DeWitt	South Gate
John Oropeza	Bell Gardens
Vince Brar	Cerritos
Jim Glancy	Lakewood
Kevin Wilson	Vernon
Thomas Robinson	La Mirada

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EX-OFFICIO PARTICIPANTS:

Ernesto Marquez	Hawaiian Gardens
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STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Bill Bennett	GEI Consultants
Ken Farfsing	Signal Hill
Blake Whittington	Council for Watershed Health

ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

ITEM 4 – ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

ITEM 5 – CLOSED SESSION: PURSUANT TO GOV. CODE SECTION 54956.9 (c)

No reportable action was taken.

ITEM 6 - CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Honeycutt moved the approval of the consent calendar. Director Wattier seconded the motion. The consent calendar was unanimously approved.

ITEM 7 – STATUS REPORT ON IRWMP ACTIVITIES

Mr. Bill Bennett briefly reported on the status of the IRWM planning process and referred to the IRWM Plan Stakeholders' Agenda for the meeting following the GWMA board meeting. He stated that more than 60 projects were submitted by stakeholders and that the consulting team had ranked them based upon the approved criteria ranking system. He said they were still on schedule to finish the Plan by June of 2013.

ITEM 8 – APPROVE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK AS GATEWAY JPA MEMBER

Chairman Cash reported that a super-majority of the board members was needed to vote on this item. He confirmed a super-majority was present

A motion was made by Director Figueroa and seconded by Director Vu. After a roll call of the board was taken, Huntington Park's membership was unanimously approved.

ITEM 10 – GWMA MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Ms. Kast reported that WRD had been invited to join the JPA and staff was following up with them. She concluded by stating that there is still active outreach on-going with the City of Compton as well as the remaining non-member cities including Montebello.

ITEM 10 – CITY MANAGERS' STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Farfsing updated the members on the County's Water Quality Funding Initiative. He stated the County had sent out Public Protest Notices to all LA County parcel owners. The protest hearing is scheduled for January 15th. He reported that Supervisors Knabe and Antonovich had come out against the initiative.

ITEM 11 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. Kast referred to the enclosed attachments which included a letter from the Dept. of Transportation in response to GWMA's comments on the I-710 Expansion EIR. She reported that at the request of the board, she had made contact with the URS Corporation, the consultants doing the EIR work. They were happy to meet and work with the water interests affected by the I-170 to work on issues and opportunities together.

The board directed staff to set up a meeting with the consultant in January and invite all 14 cities along the I-170 to attend.

ITEM 12 – DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/REPORTS

Director Mostahkami reported that Director Ojeda had recently retired from Lynwood. He thanked Director Ojeda for his time and participation on the GWMA board and on other boards representing the Gateway area. The board concurred.

Director Mostahkami also suggested that staff talk with Mr. Powers, the Executive Officer of the Gateway COG to see if GWMA's water experts could assist Gateway cities with the I-170 Expansion project. Perhaps an MOU between GWMA and the COG could be beneficial for this specific purpose.

ITEM 13 – ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 pm to Thursday, January 10, 2013 in the Clearwater Building at Paramount, CA.



Charlie Honeycutt, Treasurer

1.10.13

Date

From: Guerrero, Jolene
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2013 5:26 PM
To:
Cc:
Subject: LA River Watershed EWMF formation meeting

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works is inviting all Cities in the Los Angeles River Watershed to discuss compliance with the new MS4 permit through the formation of an EWMF Watershed Management Group.

This meeting will also provide a forum to discuss the potential boundaries. The LA River Watershed may be divided into an Upper LA River Subregion and this group would potentially include the remainder of permittees.

We will send out an agenda shortly and welcome your suggestions of items to include.

Here are the meeting details:

Date: January 29, 2013
Time: 1:30-3:30pm
Location: County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Headquarters
Conference Room C
900 S Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, CA 91803

Agenda
January 29, 2012, 1:30 pm
(Lower) Los Angeles River Watershed Management Area EWMP Meeting
900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, CA 91803; Conference Room C

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Goals
3. Participation
4. Next Steps
 - Commitment from Cities to participate by February 12
 - Schedule future meetings
 - Establish a Timeline to complete the Notice of Intent
5. Draft List of Steps in order to prepare the NOI:

Tasks	Dates:
List of Cities willing to commit	February 12
Prepare Maps / Geographical Scope of EWMP& CIMP	Late February
Draft Scope of Work	Late February
Draft MOU	March
Proposal from Consultant for EWMP & CIMP	March
Cost Allocation	March
Identify all interim and final trash WQBELs and all final WQBELs and Receiving Water Limitations; compliance deadlines	March
List Control Measures being implemented concurrently with EWMP	March
List each participant's interim trash control measures	March
Structural BMP within the watershed	Ideas – March
	Selection - April
Develop Interim Milestones for Plan development	April
LID for 50% of the land area and Green Streets for 50% of the land area	April
First Draft NOI	Mid April
Final Draft NOI complete and executed MOUs or Notices of Intent from each City	May
Final letter signed by all - before June 28, 2013	Mid June