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MINUTES
Board of Water Commissioners
Water Resources Conference Room
619 Garden Street, 3rd floor
Monday, October 10, 2011, at 3:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	James Smith, Landon Neustadt, Russell Ruiz
COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:	Barry Keller, Bill Thomas
COUNCILMEMBER PRESENT:	Harwood (Bendy) White
STAFF PRESENT:	Rebecca Bjork, Water Resources Manager; Chris Toth, Wastewater System Manager; Bill Ferguson, Water Resources Supervisor; Alison Jordan, Water Conservation Coordinator; Lisa Arroyo, Supervising Engineer; Bradley Rahrer, Project Engineer; Manuel Romero, Wastewater Collection System Superintendent; Anne Van Belkom, Administrative Assistant
PUBLIC:	Sheila Lodge, Planning Commissioner; Tom Fayram, Dennis Gibbs, Matt Naftaly, Santa Barbara County Water Agency

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** None

3. **COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC:** None

4. **MEETING MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 12, 2011:** MOTION (Neustadt/Ruiz 3-0-0), to approve the minutes as submitted.

5. **WATER CONSERVATION MARKETING PLAN:** Ms. Jordan reviewed the proposed marketing plan for Water Conservation. The plan will focus on how best to get the word out about the need for water conservation and how to effectively utilize available funding.

6. **SANTA BARBARA COUNTY CLOUD SEEDING PROGRAM:** Mr. Fayram informed the Water Commission that there would not be a cloud seeding program this year for the South County. He further described the inherent difficulties as well as the benefits of making this cooperative program a long-term, sustainable program.

7. **PROPOSED APPROACH TO STABILIZE SEWER SERVICE IN THE CONEJO SLIDE AREA:** Ms. Arroyo displayed a large, detailed map of the Conejo Slide area and described the ongoing approach to continue to provide sewer service to this unstable area.

8. **EMERGENCY LARGE DIAMETER SEWER REPAIR:** Mr. Romero presented a slide show demonstrating the extent and difficulty of the work required for the emergency large diameter sewer repair at the Milpas Roundabout.

9. **SANTA BARBARA GENERAL PLAN UPDATE:** Mr. Ferguson reviewed recent activity related to Plan Santa Barbara advised of added language recommended by staff regarding separate metering requirements, and reported that the final revised plan is scheduled to be presented to Council in December 2011.

10. **CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY BANKING AGREEMENT:** Ms. Bjork explained how this agreement will increase the reliability for State water for the City by allowing the City to store unused state water in Westside Districts' groundwater basin. Without a banking agreement, the City would lose its 2010 state water allocation at the end of the year. This agreement allows for a 3 for 2 water exchange between CCWA and Westside Districts.

11. **WATER RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT:** Ms. Bjork distributed and reviewed the Monthly Water Resources report on water production, rainfall, and wastewater treatment. Water production was reported as 95.4% of the projected amount for the water year ending September 30, 2011. The decrease in demand was attributed to a very wet water year and continued water conservation efforts. The Water and Wastewater Rate Studies Request for

Proposals has been retracted and reissued on a more limited scope due to the need to evaluate the wastewater financial plan on an accelerated schedule so that staff can better assess the impact of the ChannelKeeper litigation.

12. **DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**: It was confirmed that the next meeting was scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2011, at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.