SAN GABRIEL BASIN WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATIVE/FINANCE COMMITTEE AND SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAY 14, 2019 AT 10:00 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Kuhn called the regular meeting of the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority to order and reviewed the actions anticipated on the agenda for the meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Kuhn, Mark Paulson, and Jorge Marquez

WATERMASTER LIASON

Absent

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Mike Whitehead

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

None.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Ken Manning, Executive Director; Randy Schoellerman, Assistant Executive/Senior Engineer; Stephanie Moreno, Executive Assistant/Public Outreach Coordinator; Mary Saenz, Director of Finance; Michelle Sanchez, Accounting Assistant; Dan Colby, Project Resource Manager

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT

Lenet Pacheco, Valley County Water District; Al Contreras, Upper District; Marie Contreras, City of Baldwin Park

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Discussion Regarding Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Mr. Manning reported that at the March 20, 2019 Board Meeting and at both of the Budget Workshops held in April, WQA is proposing an increase to the assessment from \$10 per acre foot to \$12 per acre foot of prescriptive pumping rights. He noted that at the April 17th budget workshop, the Board requested that staff revise the format of the budget in order to identify the specific costs that are being funded by the \$2 increase in assessments. Mr. Manning also noted that he spoke to the Water Association regarding the increase.

Ms. Saenz explained the new budget format and how one column contained costs making up the current \$10 assessment and the newly added column contained only costs attributed to the proposed \$2 increase. She described in detail the rationale of costs in the new column and how they related to the \$2 increase.

After brief discussion, the committee recommended that the draft budget go to the full Board for adoption.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Manning reported that he did not attend the ACWA conference due to his mother experiencing a health issue.

Mr. Kuhn commented that during his Joint Powers Insurance Authority Board Meeting prior to the ACWA conference they discussed how the availability of the re-insurance market in California will be uncertain going forward due to the losses experienced by insurers as a result of the recent wildfires. This could mean significantly higher property insurance costs for everyone.

Mr. Manning also reported that the speaker at the next Three Valleys breakfast meeting is Dave Bolland, Director of State Relations for ACWA, and encouraged everyone to attend. He noted that SB 413 is expected to start the hearing process in the Assembly since it was approved by the Senate. He lastly noted that the La Opinion featured WQA's Earth Day advertorial in their paper.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kuhn asked if there were any other items of business to come before the Board. There being none, the Board meeting was adjourned.

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