

Subject: MPWMD 2001 Committee Assignments

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As we discussed at the last Chair/Vice Chair meeting, now is the time to review the District's existing committees and their composition. Traditionally, the committee appointments are made by the Chair after conferring with the directors. The Board will consider ratifying these appointments at the February 22, 2001 meeting. I've attached a copy of the staff note regarding these appointments which indicates that the assignments will be provided at the February 22, 2001 meeting. I suggest that we make/finalize the committee appointments tomorrow either during a break or after the workshop at the District.

Following is a brief summary of each of the committees.

Administrative Committee -- This is the District's only standing committee that meets regularly, i.e., monthly. In the past, its charge has been limited to fiscal matters, i.e., contract authorizations and budget review. In the last year, the committee has expanded its responsibilities to include review of all administrative practices. Normally, the Chair or Vice Chair is on this committee.

Environmental Issues Committee -- This is an ad hoc committee that was formed in 2000, but did not meet. It was formed to address environmental issues such as steelhead protection under the ESA.

Legislative, State & Federal Liaison Committee -- This is an ad hoc committee that did not meet in 2000. It was formed to improve communication with state and federal agencies with regulatory authority in the Carmel River basin.

Local Liaison Committee -- This is an ad hoc committee that was formed to improve communication with the local jurisdictions. It did not meet in 2000. Note that the Chair did meet individually with all of the mayors within the District.

Public Outreach Committee -- This committee met periodically with staff and the District's public outreach consultant, Rauch Communication Consultants, to develop outreach materials including the District's annual report, brochure, slide presentation, and materials for the 2000 Water Summit. The committee stressed getting all information on the District's website.

Project Review Committee -- This committee was formed initially to review financial and permit matters related to Cal-Am's proposed Carmel River Dam Project. The committee did not meet in 2000. The committee met on February 15, 2001, to discuss Pebble Beach Company's proposal to return a portion of their water entitlement from the CAWD/PBCSD Reclamation Project to the District for sale.


Stormwater Management/Reuse Committee -- This committee was formed in 2000 to explore the potential for stormwater reuse. The committee met a number of times and helped develop an issue paper on the status of stormwater reuse on the Peninsula.

Water Demand Committee -- This committee met a few times to review specific requests such as the Currier variance request for water from the former Water West system in Carmel Valley and IMAX request for a conditional water permit. The committee also met to discuss changes to the District's permitting process, i.e., use of theoretic versus actual water use.

Rules and Regulations Committee -- This committee was formed in 2000 to provide direction for a comprehensive review of District rules and regulations in accord with SWRCB Order 95-10. The committee met a few times.

Water Summit Committee -- This committee was formed in 2000 and met several times to plan and put on the October 2000 Water Summit.

Let me know what you think. -- darby

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