



**EXHIBIT 23-B**

**Final Minutes**

**Water Supply Planning Committee of the  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District**

***Tuesday, September 7, 2021***

*Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 and N-33-20,  
this meeting was conducted using teleconferencing means.*

**Call to Order:** The Zoom virtual meeting was called to order by Chair Riley at 4:00 pm.

**Committee Members Present:** George Riley, Chair  
Karen Paull, Committee Member  
Alvin Edwards, Alternate Committee Member

**Committee Members Absent:** Mary L. Adams, Committee Member

**Staff Members Present:** David J. Stoldt, General Manager  
Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Division Manager  
Maureen Hamilton, Senior Water Resources Engineer  
Joel G. Pablo, Board Clerk

**District Counsel present:** Dave Laredo, Esq. with De Lay & Laredo

**Comments from the Public:** No Comments

**Action Items**

**1. Consider Adoption of August 2, 2021 Committee Meeting Minutes**

Public Comment: None

A motion was made by Edwards and second by Paull to approve the committee meeting minutes of August 2, 2021. The motion passed on a vote of 3-Ayes (Riley, Paull and Edwards), 0-Noes, and 0-Absent.

**Discussion Items**

**2. Update on Pure Water Monterey Project**

David J. Stoldt, General Manager provided introductory remarks.

Maureen Hamilton, Senior Water Resources Engineer provided an update on Deep Injection Well (DIW) 3 and DIW 4 on General Jim Moore near San Pablo. She anticipates that both wells are slated to start up in December 2021, however noted due to COVID-19, supply chain constraints and staff turnover at the City of Seaside the projected start date for both wells may be affected. Jon Lear, Water Resources Manager provided the committee an update on the intrinsic tracer test results, the physical results, modeling and moving onto the extrinsic phase of the test study with a target date of September 16, 2021 and answered committee questions.

Public Comment: None

### 3. **Update on Pure Water Monterey (PWM) Expansion**

David J. Stoldt, General Manager provided a verbal status update on Pure Water Monterey: Expansion and answered questions from the Committee. Stoldt reiterated some of the previous comments made by Hamilton and noted that there is an executive schedule on the expansion with a projected completion date and beginning operations date of December of 2023. He mentioned that the pending application on the Water Purchasing Agreement with the CA Public Utilities Commission may present or will present an issue to the District as it seeks to apply for the State's Revolving Fund Application and Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loan. He noted that an approved application will be needed at the time of application or at some point during the application process to move forward with Federal and/or State funding needed for the PWM Expansion project. Stoldt and the committee had further discussion on various funding concepts for the Pure Water Monterey Expansion to include financing, grants, and Federal earmarks. The committee members noted that other revenue stream alternatives, if needed should be addressed with the full Board of Directors and the public and as previously discussed at the Water Supply Planning Committee on May 3, 2021. Stoldt touched upon the proposed Infrastructure Package being vetted out in Washington, D.C. He informed the board he will look at and apply to various programs, grants and aid that will assist the District in advancing its goals on water conservation and determine whether the \$19.6 million in grant money from the Bureau of Reclamation can be moved from the Pure Water Monterey: Base Project to the Pure Water Monterey Expansion once the Infrastructure Bill is signed into law.

Public Comment: None

### 4. **Further Updates on the Seaside Fort Ord Wells**

David J. Stoldt, General Manager provided introductory remarks and Jon Lear, Water Resources Manager provided a verbal status update on: (a) the destruction of Fort Ord Shallow Well No. 9 (FO-09); (b) A replacement monitoring well; and (c) answered committee questions. Lear touched on FO-09, a coastal monitoring well in the Seaside Basin and the need for well to be destroyed. Lear stated the District went out to bid for destruction of FO-09 shallow, the bid closed on August 11, 2021 and one bid package was received from Maggiora Brothers Drilling, Inc. that will be brought forward to the Administrative Committee and the Board of Directors at its September 2021 meeting. Stoldt directed attention to Exhibit 4-A and 4-B letters dated September 1, 2021 addressed to Chair Paul Bruno of the Seaside Basin Watermaster and General Manager Scherzinger of the Marina Coast Water District. In both letters, Stoldt noted within that letter he requested both entities to determine the project lead on building a replacement well, a cost sharing agreement and to bring the matter back to the District for further consideration on their proposal.

Public Comment: None

### **Suggest Items to be Placed on Future Agendas**

- George Riley: (1) Update on the District's Application with LAFCo of Monterey County (2) Review of the Rationing Steps

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chair Riley adjourned the meeting at 5:09 p.m.

Approved by the MPWMD Water Supply Planning Committee on April 4, 2022

Received by the MPWMD Board of Director's on April 18, 2022