

PUENTE BASIN WATER AGENCY PUENTE BASIN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN – PHASE 1 STAKHOLDER MEETING

Wednesday, September 6, 2023, 2:00 p.m.

Held virtually via WebEx at: https://walnutvalley.webex.com/meet/bmeeting

MINUTES

1. Introductions

Brief introduction of all who were in attendance. Meeting attendees are listed below.

Erik Hitchman – Walnut Valley Water District , PBWA
Sherry Shaw – Walnut Valley Water District, PBWA
Jared Macias – Walnut Valley Water District, PBWA
Tom Coleman – Rowland Water District, PBWA
Dusty Moisio – Rowland Water District, PBWA
Joshua Nelson – City of Industry and Successor Agency to Industry Urban Development Agency
James Ciampa – Lagerlof, LLP, Legal Counsel
Theresa Lee - Walnut Valley Water District, PBWA
Carmen Fleming – Puente Basin Watermaster, PBWA
Lauren Augino – Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster
Myra Malner – Rowland Water District
Gabriela Palomares – Rowland Water District
Samuel Hernadez - Walnut Valley Water District
Veva Weamer – West Yost Associates
Erik Cadaret – West Yost Associates
Andy Malone – West Yost Associates

2. Review of TM-1 Conceptual Understanding of the Puente Basin

Veva Weamer and Erik Cadaret from West Yost Associates gave a detailed presentation of Technical Memorandum 1 (*TM-1*) Description of the Puente Basin Groundwater Management Plan Area and Basin Setting. This is the first step towards the development of a Groundwater Management Plan for the Puente Basin in Phase 1. TM-1 was distributed to the stakeholders via email following the meeting on September 13, 2023. The objective TM-1 is to achieve consensus amongst the PBWA and stakeholders on the current and historical physical condition and water management setting of the Puente Basin hat can be used to develop goals for basin management. The conclusions from

TM-1 include a list of basin management implications that should be considered when developing objectives for a Groundwater Management Plan. These basin management implications were discussed in the next agenda item which led to a discussion on the goals for basin management.

3. Basin Management Implications and Goals for Basin Management

Veva Weamer and Erik Cadaret provided an overview of the basin management implications that were summarized in TM-1. These included: that the size of the basin and the sustainable yield is relatively small; recharge in the basin is limited; depth to groundwater is relatively shallow and there is limited unused storage; groundwater from Puente Basin is typically non-potable; and various data gaps. This led into an open discussion on what the PBWA ideas and needs for basin management goals. Notes were prepared on all of the feedback and will be used to help develop a Groundwater Management Plan objective statement and describe various concepts for improved basin management.

4. Next Steps

Ms. Weamer summarized the next steps for the development of the GMP. The draft TM-1 will be submitted the following week for review with a two-week review period ending in September 2023. From October through December 2023, West Yost will develop a Groundwater Management Plan objective statement and concepts for improved basin management and prepare TM-2 Goals and Concepts for Improved Basin Management which will describe the objective statement of the Groundwater Management Plan, various concepts for improving basin management, and the scope for the next Phase 2 where various basin management alternatives will be evaluated. The next stakeholder meeting will be in early 2024 to review and discuss TM-2.