
Meeting Date: August 22, 2012
Staff Contact: Frank Roth, Senior Policy Manager

TITLE: C-12-18 - Appointment to the Customer Advisory Committee

ACTION: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY:

The Customer Advisory Committee (CAC) was established in November 2006 to assist in and facilitate public review and discussion of Water Authority policies, plans and programs. The CAC consists of nine voluntary members who are customers of the Water Authority's water or wastewater system. The resolution, R-06-27, establishing the CAC recommends that the appointed members have professional or technical competence in one of the following areas: water resource planning, water system engineering, environmental or public interest advocacy, planning or landscape architecture, financial or business management, resource economics, and customer service. Recently, one of the CAC members resigned, and a new member needs to be appointed in the resource economics category. There is one nomination for the vacant position.

The nomination was submitted to the Chair for concurrence. Pursuant to R-06-27, the Chair forwards the nomination for confirmation by the Water Authority Board. The new nomination represents the same area that the current member leaving represented. The nominee presented for confirmation is highly qualified and certified in his field of work and for the technical area that will be vacated. Below is a summary of David Brookshire's professional and academic background.

Biography

David S. Brookshire is a Distinguished Professor and Director of the Science Impact Laboratory for Policy and Economics (SILPE) within the Department of Economics at the University of New Mexico. After completing his B.A. in Economics at California State University at San Diego in 1970, David earned his Ph.D. in Economics at the University of New Mexico in 1976. He was on the faculty at the University of Wyoming from 1976 to 1990. He returned to UNM in 1990 and served as Department chair from 1993-2000. David specializes in environmental and resource economics. Among his many appointments, he has served as Policy Sciences Editor of Water Resources Research (published by the American Geophysical Union, served on the Executive Board of the Sustainability of semi-Arid Hydrologic and Riparian Areas (SAHRA) Science and Technology Center at the University of Arizona, served on three National Research Council panels and worked as an economist for the National Water Commission, the U.S. Department of Commerce, and the U.S. Geological Survey.

David specializes in public policy issues in the natural resource, environmental and natural hazards areas. In particular, he has completed studies pertaining to seismic building codes, earthquake prediction impacts, environmental regulations, endangered species, air pollution, the effects of seismic zoning and the value of geologic information and water allocation. His current research interests include ecosystem valuation, natural hazards issues, endangered species protection, field and laboratory experiments for the estimation of disaggregated demand of consumer water users, the value of water in non-market settings, and integrated hydrological/biological/economic modeling of alternative institutional and behavioral characteristics of water banking/leasing markets.

CURRENT MEMBERS:

Member	R-06-27 Category	Term Expiration
David Ritchy	Financial Management/Institutional Customer	3/2013
Will Gleason	Planning	3/2013
Jesse Roach	Water Resource Planning	3/2013
Elizabeth Jordan	Environmental/Public Interest Advocacy	1/2013
Wayne Frye	Customer Service	5/2013
Lola Bird	Landscape Architecture	4/2012
John Shomaker	Water Resource Planning	4/2012
Frederick Arfman	Water System Engineering	4/2012
Vacant	Resource Economics	

FISCAL IMPACT: None