

ACTION SUMMARY

April 4, 2024

Members Present:Members Excused:Mark BegayDeborah DixonJohn FleckDonald T. LopezDr. Kerry HoweJill Peterson

Dr. Anjali Mulchandani

Paul van Gulick

Water Authority Staff Present:

Diane Agnew, Water Rights Program Manager Carlos Bustos, Program Manager Water Conservation

Jon Daniels, Capital Improvement/Asset Management

Program Manager

Mark Kelly, Water Resources Manager

Susan Lander, Controller

Marta Ortiz, Chief Financial Officer

Jeff Pompeo, Water Quality Program Manager

Jordan Salas, Executive Services Coordinator

Mark S. Sanchez, Executive Director

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Item 1 - Call to Order - Note presence of quorum.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chair, Paul van Gulick.

Item 2 – Approval of Agenda

Mark Begay made a motion to approve the agenda. John Fleck seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0 vote.

For: 5 Begay, Fleck, Howe, Mulchandani, van Gulick

Against: 0

Excused: 3 Dixon, Lopez, Peterson

Item 3 – Approval of March 7, 2024, Action Summary

Anjali Mulchandani made a motion to approve the Action Summary. Kerry Howe seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0 vote.

For: 5 Begay, Fleck, Howe, Mulchandani, van Gulick

Against: 0

Excused: 3 Dixon, Lopez, Peterson

Item 4 – Public Comment

Public Comment was accepted prior to the meeting by email and distributed to members.

Item 5 - 2025 Annual Operating Plan

2025 Annual Operating Plan, Diane Agnew, Water Rights Program Manager presents. Covered key inputs of Annual Operating Plan (AOP), deadlines, snowpack percentages at headwaters, precipitation and temperature outlook, conditions of native flow and diversion, groundwater pumping, other AOP considerations, drinking water plant operations, supply projections vs. actual supply use, Bureau of Reclamation 2024 flow forecast results chart displayed, San Juan-Chama allocation projection chart displayed, covered Water Authority operations and monthly diversions, regional collaborations, and discussion points with the TCAC.

Item 6 - FY25 Operating/Capital Budgets

FY25 Operating/Capital Budgets, Marta Ortiz, Chief Financial Officer, Susan Lander, Controller, and Jon Daniels, Capital Improvement/Asset Management Program Manager present. Marta Ortiz explained components of a budget, reasons for a budget, explained Governmental Fund Accounting and the reason for its use, explained Water Authority details of the Water Authority general fund, debt service fund, San Juan Chama Project Contractors Association fund, and capital funds. December-March budget planning and processes, this is when the decade plan is discussed. Susan Lander discussed the Operating Budget for FY25, revenue and expense assumptions, upcoming rate increase

and population growth, increases in operational costs and benefits. Showed illustration of the General Fund Finance Plan. Discussed performance and operational budget highlights. Explained general fund revenues, expenses, transfer to debt service, wages and benefits, operating expenses, transfers to CIP, risk, and workers compensation. Jon Daniels discussed the Capital Improvement Program. Requesting \$128M for CIP, \$100M basic rehab, \$6M growth projects, \$5.4M special projects, \$17.4M Water 2120 Projects. Discussed outlook of the decade plan for the Capital improvement Plan. Marta Ortiz discussed future challenges, delays in material availability and shipping, project cost increases, limited labor pool, limited competitive construction project market in New Mexico, aging infrastructure, increased conservation, reduce system water loss and other concerns.

Item 7 – Annual Consumer Confidence Report

Jeff Pompeo, Water Quality Program Manager presents. He discussed the 2023 Consumer Confidence Report, the required components, water system information, sources of water, definitions of contaminate level allowance and contaminate types, compliance with other drinking water regulations, and educational information. Displayed an illustration of the contaminates Water Authority tests for. The Water Authority received no violations this past year. Discussed compliance with other drinking water regulations and unregulated contaminants. Described voluntary lead sampling program results of 2023.

Item 8 - Water Report

Water Report, Carlos Bustos, Program Manager Water Conservation presents. GPCD for 2023 went up to 129. Groundwater production 16% and Surface water production 84% in February 2024. GPCD is holding steady below goal for the year. Discussed snow accumulation for the state, been a good snow season. Still facing drought around the region. We will move away from El Niño around May; monsoon season won't be as plentiful as we hope. Discussed 2024 conservation irrigation season actions.

Item 9– Other Business

TCAC Vacancy

Item 10 – Adjournment

John Fleck made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 P.M.