



**Technical
Customer Advisory Committee**

ACTION SUMMARY

August 11, 2022

Members Present:

Mark Begay
Jitka Dekojova
John Fleck
Robert Fowlie
Erwin Melis
Ron Schwarzwald
Paul van Gulick
Jingjing Wang

Members Excused:

Deborah Dixon

Water Authority Staff Present:

Elizabeth Anderson, Chief Planning Officer
Diane Agnew, Water Rights Program Manager
Kelsey Bicknell, Senior Water Resources Scientist
Carlos Bustos, Water Conservation Program Manager
David Morris, Public Affairs Manager
Jordan Salas, Executive Service Coordinator
Richard Perce, Irrigation Efficiency Specialist

Members of the public have the ability to view the meeting by joining the video conference. To request login information for this meeting, contact Jordan Salas at or 505-289-3100. Requests for login must be received before 2 PM on Thursday, August 11, 2022. Public Comment must be submitted via email to Jordan Salas at jsalas@abcwua.org before 2PM on Thursday, August 11, 2022.

Item 1 – Call to Order - Note presence of quorum

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

Item 2 – Approval of Agenda

Ron Schwarzwald made a motion to approve the agenda. John Fleck seconded the motion. The motion passed on an 7-0 vote.

For: 7	Begay, Dekojova, Fleck, Fowlie, Schwarzwald, van Gulick, & Wang
Against: 0	
Excused: 2	Dixon, Melis

Item 3 – Approval of June 2, 2022 Action Summary

Erwin Melis made a motion to approve the action summary. Robert Fowlie seconded the motion. The motion passed on an 7-0 vote.

For: 7 Begay, Fleck, Fowlie, Melis, Schwarzwald, van Gulick, & Wang
Against: 0
Excused: 2 Dixon, Dekojova

Item 4 – Public Comment

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

Item 5. Drought Update

Carlos Bustos, Program Manager Water Conservation, updated the committee on the drought. The drought has improved considerably from June 14, thanks to a good monsoon season. Our area is currently in severe drought conditions. Our GPCD is holding steady at 127, and we are meeting our AOP goals for the year. Overall demand is lower than last year by 200 million gallons. Since the start of the year Albuquerque has received 4.24 inches, which is slightly lower than the average by this time in the year (4.52"). The Rio Grande river flows reached their lowest in July, when we had no measurable flows at Central for 4 days. The river reconnected on July 26 after the rain events. We conduct a Steps to Landscape Success Drought Class. Participants receive a \$20 rebate. Some drought actions include, double water waste fees, more enforcement personnel, increased public information. One of the focuses is on Xeriscape Conversions. Since the start of the year, we've doubled our turf to xeriscape conversions. Year to date: 575,188 square feet, last year's total: 272,665 square feet.

Item 6 – Update on 2022 Customer Survey

David Morris, Public Affairs Manager, updated the committee on the 2022. Every two years Research and Polling Inc conducts the 2022 Customer Survey. This will be thoroughly presented at the September Water Authority Board meeting. There is margin of error 4.4%. This survey was conducted by phone.

Item 7 – Federal Funding Updates

Elizabeth Anderson, Chief Planning Officer, updated the committee on federal and state funded projects, which included, Bosque Water Reuse Plant, SWRP Outfall Project, South-to-North Reuse Pipeline Project, Winrock On-site Resource Recover Plant, Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR), KAFB Bulk Fuels Facility Additional Monitoring Well Northwest Capacity Improvement Project and Abiquiu Reservoir.

Item 8 – SWRP Outfall Update

Diane Agnew, Water Rights Program Manager, updated the committee on the SWRP Outfall Restoration Project. Goals of the project are to improve water quality in the Rio Grande, improve habitat for the Rio Grande silver minnow, increase public access to the Bosque surrounding the outfall.

Item 9 – Other Business

An announcement was made that there is a vacancy on the TCAC board. Ron Schwarzwaldner will continue to serve on the committee until his vacancy filled.

Item 8 – Adjournment

Vice Chair Paul van Gulick adjourned the meeting at 5:30 PM.