

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
INDIAN WELLS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

ADMINISTRATION/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2023 – 3:00 P.M.

BOARD ROOM
500 W. RIDGECREST BLVD., RIDGECREST

Attendees: Mallory Boyd, Ron Kicinski, Don Zdeba, Jason Lillion, Renée Morquecho, and Ty Staheli

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

2. Committee/Public Comments

None.

3. Discussion on Senate Bill (SB) 606 and Assembly Bill (AB) 1668

The Outdoor Water Use Efficiency Standards were scheduled to be established by July 2022.

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) has released the proposed regulatory framework for “Making Conservation a California Way of Life”. This new framework proposes unique water use efficiency goals for each urban retail water supplier, including urban water use efficiency standards, variances, an urban water use objective, and commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII) performance measures. Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) staff has reviewed the proposed framework and continues to work with its Water Use Efficiency workgroup to advocate for water use efficiency standards and objectives that are feasible, minimize potential impacts to water and wastewater management, and do not impair water agencies’ ability to make long-term investments for climate resilience. A letter has been prepared on behalf of multiple ACWA members, including the District, stating specific concerns about the proposed framework methodology and was sent to the SWRCB March 30th. Mr. Zdeba has also responded by email to the SWRCB with concerns about the methodology to qualify for a variance for water use in evaporative coolers.

The Committee heard public comment from Renee Westa-Lusk.

4. Draft Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of April 10, 2023

The Committee reviewed the agenda and made one change.

5. Future Agenda Items

None.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.