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**Minutes
GROUNDWATER PRODUCERS MEETING
Sponsored by the
ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
(714) 378-3200
Wednesday, June 10, 2015, 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting held at the 18700 Ward Street Fountain Valley CA

1. Groundwater Remediation Projects Update
 - a. North Basin
 - b. South Basin
 - c. Producers position

Bill Hunt provided an OCWD update on recent activity between District staff and the regulatory agencies. Paul Shoenberger summarized the Producer desires to consider a project or projects that can be quickly implemented with funding from the PRP's and possibly Prop 1 and the RA. The benefits and concerns with involving the EPA were also discussed.

2. Huntington Beach Ocean Desalination Update
 - a. Additional funding mechanisms
 - b. Meeting with Senator Feinstein

Mike Markus gave an update on the recent OCWD meeting with Senator Feinstein who supports Ocean desalination. The senator may seek legislation to help support project construction or new technology research. Paul Shoenberger informed every one of the consultant Mesa Water recently hired to poll citizens within Mesa Water on how receptive they would be to add an additional small assessment on their property tax bills to fund water supply projects. Results are expected back in a couple of months.

3. Water Cooperative Efforts – Marc Marcantonio

This item was deferred to July

4. Groundwater Producers State Legislative Proposals
 - a. Opportunity for agencies to discuss legislative proposals

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The Producers were asked if they have any potential state legislation. It was suggested that we should all coordinate and be aware of any such efforts. IRWD scheduled a conference call on Friday afternoon, June 12th, on possible legislation they are processing regarding tiered rate structures.

5. GWRS Initial Expansion status and June 26th dedication

Mike Markus gave an update on the plant which is making around 93 mgd on average and may get up to 100,000 afy depending upon the plant utilization factor. The District will start providing OCSD monthly flows.

6. OCWD Groundwater Management Plan

Greg Woodside indicated that the OCWD Groundwater Management Plan will be considered for approval at the June 17th Board meeting. Discussion on how to refill the groundwater basin occurred.

7. Annual Santa Ana River Watermaster Report

Roy Herndon presented on the 13-14 SAR Watermaster report. Base flows are down to 63,536 af from 81,452 af the previous year.

8. FY15-16 Producers Chairman/Vice Chairman Election

Paul Shoenberger from Mesa Water was reelected as Chairman of the Groundwater Producers. Brian Ragland from the City of Huntington Beach was reelected as Vice Chairman.

9. Other

OCWD will provide an update on the idea of discharging water distribution flushing water into the sewer system.

Producers will be asked to share how their conservation efforts have progressed at the next meeting.

The Producers' meetings are scheduled the second Wednesday of each month. The next regular monthly meeting is Wednesday, July 8, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.