

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
September 28, 2021, 11:50 a.m.

President Sheldon called to order the September 28, 2021 special meeting of the Orange County Water District Board of Directors at 11:50 a.m. The Secretary called the roll and reported a quorum as follows. Due to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, members of the Board participated via Zoom from remote locations. Public access was also provided via Zoom.

Directors

Denis Bilodeau
Cathy Green
Nelida Mendoza
Dina Nguyen
Kelly Rowe
Stephen Sheldon
Harry Sidhu
Tri Ta
Bruce Whitaker
Roger Yoh

Staff

Michael R. Markus, General Manager
Jeremy Jungreis, General Counsel
Christina Fuller, Asst. District Secretary

VISITOR PARTICIPATION

There were no visitors wishing to address the Board at today's meeting.

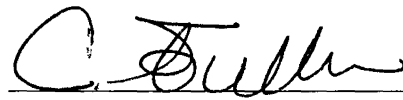
WORKSHOP

1. Briefing and Discussion Regarding Potential PFAS Federal Legislation

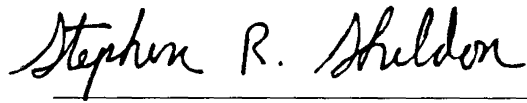
General Manager Mike Markus stated the Orange County Water District (OCWD) manages the Orange County Groundwater Basin that supplies 77% of the water supply to 2.5 million people in north and central Orange County. He advised that per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) have been detected in the Basin, entering primarily via the Santa Ana River whose flows infiltrate into and recharge the Basin. Mr. Markus stated that although chemical manufacturers are the original source of PFAS chemicals, ratepayers are now at risk from pending PFAS legislation. OCWD Federal advocate Eric Sapirstein reported on the current and pending PFAS Legislation efforts and discussed next steps in the process. President Sheldon discussed issues with the PFAS Legislation and how it affects rate payers. He suggested ways for elected officials and water agencies to help OCWD pass a resolution supporting the ratepayers of Orange County.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.



Christina Fuller, Asst. District Secretary



Stephen R. Sheldon, President