

RAYMOND BASIN MANAGEMENT BOARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Meeting Date: January 6, 2026

Committee Members: C. Burt, *Chair*, Kinneloa Irrigation District
J. Corona, City of Arcadia (*Alternate*)
S. McGee, City of Sierra Madre
S. Takeguchi, City of Pasadena (*via Zoom*)
L. Yamashita-Lopez, Rubio Cañon Land and Water Association

Others Present: B. Dickinson, City of Sierra Madre (*via Zoom*)
C. Feilen, San Gabriel County Water District
G. Herrera, City of Alhambra
M. Hsu, Sunny Slope Water District (*via Zoom*)
W. Kimberling, Las Flores Water Company (*via Zoom*)

Staff Present: K. Gardner, Executive Officer
A. Jimenez, Director of Administrative Services
L. Augino, Water Resources Analyst II
A. Mata, Executive Assistant

Director Chris Burt, Chair, chaired the meeting.

RBMB Election of Officers and Directors for Fiscal Years 2026-28

Appointment of Nominating Committee

Mrs. Kelly Gardner, Executive Officer, reported that it was time to select a chair of the Nominating Committee. Following a discussion, the Committee selected Director Ken Tcheng as the Chair of the Nominating Committee.

The Committee discussed changes at the recommendation of Chair Burt's suggestion to rotate out of the Chair position at the completion of the current term. Additional appointments and Board seats were suggested to rotate up as with past practice, for the next term. Staff was directed to contact any officers not present for consensus.

Certification of Appointment

In preparation for the slate of Officers and Directors for the 2026-28 term, Mrs. Gardner reported that the Certification of Appointment and Alternate forms will be distributed to the Parties by February 18, 2026, for completion and return.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY – NO ACTION REQUIRED

Consideration and Recommendation of Proposal of the Watermaster Administrative Services Agreement for the Raymond Basin Management Board

Mrs. Gardner distributed a copy of the proposal from the Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster to RBMB for administrative services for Fiscal Years 2026-27 through 2030-31. She provided an overview for the RBMB's consideration.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That RBMB consider and approve the administrative services agreement for Fiscal Years 2026-31 with Watermaster on January 21, 2026.

Request from Las Flores Water Company for 24% Reduction Exemption

Mrs. Gardner reported that Las Flores Water Company (LFWC) has submitted an exemption request for the Monk Hill Pumping Reduction Plan and deferred the item to Mr. William Kimberling, General Manager, LFWC. Mr. Kimberling explained that the implementation of the 24% reduction has impacted their ability to serve their customers and manage through the challenges post Eaton Fire. The requested waiver will allow LFWC to lease that amount to Lincoln Avenue Water Company to utilize for delivery to LFWC customers without creating over-extraction beyond available rights.

Following a discussion, the consensus of the Committee is for RBMB staff to work with LFWC on the development of a resolution for implementation of the exemption and be agendized on a future agenda for consideration and approval by the RBMB.

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Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Cyclic Cost Offset Program

Mrs. Gardner reported that the Pumping and Storage Committee discussed this item earlier in the day, stating that staff will poll the Monk Hill and Pasadena subarea producers for interest in participation and financial involvement (financial analysis of potential cost and determine available reserves, review of past In-Lieu programs) and possible considerations for development of a cyclic storage program.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY – NO ACTION REQUIRED

Website Update

Mrs. Gardner provided an update on the RBMB website, stating that the site includes several layout improvements, refreshed content and a redesigned logo. She stated that a demonstration will be provided at a future meeting.

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2026 Board and Committee Meeting Dates

Mrs. Gardner referred to distributed copies of the proposed meeting dates for 2026. Following a brief discussion, the meeting dates will reflect the Pumping and Storage Committee meeting in December 2026 as dark due to the ACWA Conference.

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Committee Assignments

Mrs. Gardner stated that as with past practice, the Raymond Basin Management Board Committee Lists will be included in the packet, and staff will request updates at the Board Meeting.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY – NO ACTION REQUIRED

Review Agenda for January 21, 2026

The Committee reviewed the proposed agenda and discussed inviting Los Angeles County Public Works for an update on current rainfall and storm activities. Staff will make contact and encourage participation.

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Other

Mrs. Gardner reported that Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District is distributing a template resolution to show regional support for the Pure Water Southern California project ahead of the MWD meeting in February to certify the Environmental Impact Report.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: That RBMB consider adoption of a Resolution of the RBMB Supporting Pure Water Southern California at a future meeting.

And lastly, Mrs. Gardner reported that Mr. Steven O'Neill, RBMB's attorney, has provided notification of his intention to step down and has proposed a colleague from his firm to serve as his successor. Following a brief discussion, Mrs. Gardner stated that she will update the RBMB on next steps/developments.

Next Executive Committee Meeting

The Committee is scheduled to meet on February 19, 2026.