

**Borrego Water District
CORECTED MINUTES
Special Meeting of the Board of Directors
March 20, 2012 9:00 a.m.
806 Palm Canyon Drive
Borrego Springs, CA 92004**

I. OPENING PROCEDURES

- A.** Call to Order: President Hart called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- B.** Pledge of Allegiance: Those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C.** Roll Call: Directors: Present: Vice President Lyle Brecht,
Secretary/Treasurer Marshal Brecht, Delahay
- Absent: President Hart, Estep
- Staff: Jerry Rolwing, General Manager
Wendy Quinn, Recording Secretary
- Public: Dick Walker Jim Engelke
Casey Jones, *Borrego Sun* Jan Naragon
Ray Shindler Greg Krzys, Bureau of Reclamation
Jack Simes, Bureau of Reclamation
- D.** Approval of Agenda: *MSC: M.Brecht/Delahay approving the Agenda as written.*
- E.** Comments from Directors and Requests for Future Agenda Items: None
- F.** Comments from the Public and Requests for Future Agenda Items: None

II. CURRENT BUSINESS MATTERS

A. Discussion of enhancement to work plan for SE Basin Study. Presenter: US Bureau of Reclamation: Jack Simes from the US Bureau of Reclamation explained that the BOR had entered into an agreement with BWD two years ago to look at options for conveying water to the Borrego Valley and maximizing its potential for storage and delivery. Greg Krzys of BOR added that they were seeking a regional solution. A technical report is expected in July or August.

The potential for storage in Borrego by Imperial Irrigation District, Coachella Valley County Water District or the Torres-Martinez Indian Tribe was investigated but at this time appears not to be cost effective. Looking at possible routes for an importation pipeline and considering access, environmental and operational issues, the most feasible appears to be from Coachella to Salton City to Borrego. This would assume acquisition of water rights from CVCWD or Torres-Martinez.

Mr. Simes explained that once an importation plan is finalized, we need to look at the political and financial issues involved. He agreed to continue to update the Board on the study's progress, and Director Lyle Brecht suggested that written reports be provided and that the BOR coordinate with the IRWMP. Jerry Rolwing noted that a second Town Hall Meeting may be scheduled in November, and he would like the BOR to make a presentation. Director Marshal Brecht requested a rough cost estimate on the proposed importation.

B. Discussion of agenda and materials for Town Hall, March 28th: Director Lyle Brecht invited the Board's attention to the Board package and asked that comments be submitted to Mr. Rolwing.

C. Potential Items for Business Meeting: Next week's Board meeting Agenda will include review of the IRWM MOU among BWD, the County of San Diego and the Resource Conservation District of Greater San Diego County, a water conservation contest for the schools, automated meter reading, a consulting agreement with Taussig & Associates, the Town Hall Meeting, and the Bending Elbow pipeline project.

III. CLOSING PROCEDURE

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for March 28, 2012 at the Borrego Water District.