

**SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2014
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER 9:03 a.m., SNWA Board Chambers, Southern Nevada Water Authority
100 City Parkway, Seventh Floor, Las Vegas, Nevada

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT Mary Beth Scow, Chair
Sam Bateman, Vice Chair
Susan Brager
Bob Coffin
Duncan McCoy
Steve Sisolak (Present for items 1-10)
Anita Wood

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT None

STAFF PRESENT Pat Mulroy, Greg Walch, John Entsminger, Ron Zegers, Phil Speight, Marc
Jensen, Rick Holmes

OTHERS PRESENT None

Unless otherwise indicated, all members present voted in the affirmative.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Ed Uehling, Las Vegas, recommended not approving agenda item no. 10 and instead suggested selecting an individual from another member agency such as the City of North Las Vegas. He discussed the Authority's Public Information division and suggested charging more for outdoor water uses versus indoor water uses. He also suggested disbanding the Integrated Resource Planning Advisory Committee (IRPAC) and recommended that the Board not approve agenda item no. 8.

Brian McAnallen, Las Vegas Metro Chamber of Commerce, noted that the Chamber's Government Affairs Committee unanimously endorsed John Entsminger as General Manager of the Southern Nevada Water Authority, noting his experience, efforts to reach out to the business community, and leading the IRPAC process.

Item 10 was taken out of order.

Following approval of the consent agenda, the Board recognized Pat's career with the Southern Nevada Water Authority.

1. For Possible Action: Approval of Agenda & Minutes

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Brager to approve the agenda for this meeting and consider item number 10 immediately, and the meeting minutes of November 21, 2013. The motion was approved.

10. For Possible Action: Authorize the General Manager of the Las Vegas Valley Water District to serve as General Manager of the Authority, and approve the Amended and Restated Interlocal Contract between the Las Vegas Valley Water District and the Authority.

Director Coffin noted his preference to appoint John Entsminger as the Authority's General Manager, rather than tying the General Manager position to that of the Las Vegas Valley Water District. Director Sisolak asked for Counsel's advice, recognizing that the Water District will reconsider the item at its February 2014 Board meeting. Greg Walch, General Counsel, noted that Director Coffin may frame his motion, contingent upon the Water District selecting a specific person. Councilwoman Wood asked about the details of the General Manager's contract. Chairwoman Scow noted that the General Manager's employment contract will be presented to the Las Vegas Valley Water District's Board for approval at a later date. Pat Mulroy, General Manager, added that the Authority would fund 50 percent of the salary, since the General Manager and many other staff split time between the two agencies.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Coffin to follow staff's recommendation, but contingent upon the Las Vegas Valley Water District's selection of John Entsminger as the Water District's General Manager. The motion was approved.

CONSENT AGENDA Items 2 - 4 are routine and can be taken in one motion unless a Director requests that an item be taken separately.

2. ***For Possible Action:*** Approve two resolutions authorizing the submission of grant proposals to the Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART: Water and Energy Efficiency Grant Program.
3. ***For Possible Action:*** Approve a subgrant agreement between the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection and the Authority to accept grant funding for regional water quality activities and related public outreach initiatives.
4. ***For Possible Action:*** Approve an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Boulder City and the Authority adjusting Boulder City's share of capital costs.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Brager to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

BUSINESS AGENDA

5. ***For Possible Action:*** Award Contract No. 810U 01 C1, Silver Bowl and Archery Weirs, to Las Vegas Paving Corporation for the amount of \$11,692,000, authorize a change order contingency amount not to exceed \$1,160,000, and authorize the execution of the contract agreement, or take other action as appropriate.

Director Sisolak asked how much the Authority collects in sales tax proceeds. Mr. Entsminger stated that he would provide that information. Ms. Mulroy clarified that these designated sales tax proceeds are separated from the Authority's budget and used exclusively to fund improvements in the Las Vegas Wash.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Brager to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

6. ***For Possible Action:*** Approve the Second Amended and Restated Agreement between the United States Department of the Interior, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the Authority for sharing of equipment rental, materials and subcontractors' service costs in the Las Vegas Wash for an amount not to exceed \$900,000.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Sisolak to follow staff's recommendations. The motion was approved.

7. ***For Possible Action:*** Approve an agreement between the Colorado River Commission and the Authority for repayment of the Authority's proportionate share of the cost of securities issued by the Colorado River Commission to prepay Hoover power base charges.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Sisolak to follow staff's recommendations. The motion was approved.

8. ***For Possible Action:*** Approve an agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and the Authority for facilitation services in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Brager to follow staff's recommendation. The motion was approved.

9. ***For Possible Action: Make appointments to fill vacancies on the Integrated Resource Planning Advisory Committee.***

Ms. Mulroy noted that recommendations were made to fill four vacancies left by Kirk Clausen, Mike Forman, Bob Kasner and Scot Rutledge. These recommendations include Brian McAnallen, Terry Murphy, Lester Romero and April Mastroluca.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Director Brager to appoint the individuals noted by Ms. Mulroy. The motion was approved.

11. ***For Possible Action: Receive an update from staff on water resources including, but not limited to, drought conditions in the Colorado River Basin, the results of the implementation of the Authority's Water Resource and Conservation Plans, activities on the Colorado River, the development of in-state water resources, and the status of the third intake project.***

Mr. Entsminger gave a presentation, which is attached to these minutes. Mr. Jensen provided a brief update on Lake Mead Intake No. 3, which is also attached to these minutes.

Ms. Mulroy recognized the careers of retiring staff members, Ron Zegers and Rick Holmes.

NO ACTION NECESSARY.

Public Comment

Richard McCay, Solar Power and Water, discussed a proposal to fund the Salton Sea, which would represent a resource improvement project that he projected to yield additional water resources for the Authority.

Ed Uehling, Las Vegas, requested a copy of the statement made by Chairwoman Scow regarding Ms. Mulroy's career, her comments made at the LVVWD's January meeting regarding Mr. Entsminger's selection to General Manager, and that his letters be included in the minutes. He commented on a remark made by Chairwoman Scow regarding reduced water use.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

APPROVED:

Mary Beth Scow, Chair

John J. Entsminger, General Manager

Copies of all original agenda items and minutes, including all attachments, are on file in the General Manager's office at the Las Vegas Valley Water District, 1001 South Valley View Boulevard, Las Vegas, Nevada.

January 16, 2014

Mary Beth Scow, Chairwoman
and Board of Directors
Southern Nevada Water Authority
Las Vegas, NV

Re: Once in a political lifetime opportunities at today's Board Meeting

Dear Chairwoman Scow and Board Members:

Today you have the only chance in the 20 year lifetime of SNWA and in your political life to take control of the agency you are supposed to be controlling because the choice last week of YOUR director by the agency WHICH HAS BEEN CONTROLLING YOU has been ruled invalid.

1. The previous "contract" which you can also change today gives control of the Authority to the District (LVVWD)
2. Even though LVVWD is only one of 7 agencies THOUGHT to be under SNWA
3. If you're going to pick an agency to run yours, then pick City of North Las Vegas or Boulder City
4. Boulder City doesn't even charge its customers for "infrastructure", "fire line pressure", or commodity fees all imposed unnecessarily by SNWA (or is it the District?)
5. The utility department of City of North Las Vegas has returned \$200 millions to the city for its operations with the same charges as LVVWD
6. CNLV utility department spends less than 20% on personnel
7. LVVWD/SNWA have sucked up billions of dollars from the public with meager results
8. Each agency, LVVWD and SNWA, spends 40% for personnel—including ONE-THIRD of ALL the public information professionals in ALL the COMBINED State, County, City, School districts, police departments, and specialized governmental agencies, of which SNWA is merely ONE!!

BTW, I received a response—the second in my year or so of writing—to my letter listing the salaries of those 21 people (out of 67 TOTAL in the entire state): It's worse than I thought—the response said that none or few of those people actually give information to the public. Instead they work on film and other projects!!!

IN OTHER WORDS THEY SUPPORT THE \$4 MILLION CAMPAIGN OF DECEPTION AND LIES OF BILLY VASILLIADIS—YES THE ONE THAT TEACHES PAT MULROY CLONES HOW TO KICK RECALITRANT CUSTOMERS IN THE GONADS AND THAT SIMULTANEOUSLY FAILS TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN OUTDOOR WASTE OF WATER AND INDOOR RECYCLING.

That is one of the three keys to the future stability and low cost of water in Las Vegas:
**CHARGE OUTDOOR USERS AT LEAST DOUBLE WHAT INDOOR RECYCLERS
PAY**

The other two keys are:

- 1) Encourage indoor consumption so you can sell more water and don't need rate increases. The price is marked up 10 times the cost of pumping and treatment. People can be encouraged to use more water and pay SNWA more voluntarily—not have it ripped out of their pockets by dubious schemes.
- 2) Base charges equally for each family unit—not by pipeline size—so apartment dwellers, the people who create most of our return credits, are no longer compelled to subsidize millionaires like Pat Mulroy and her fawning supporters Sig Rogich (to whom she pays \$100/yr just to come out of the woodwork and pressure you for what Ms. Mulroy wants) and Billy V.

Please appointed John Entsminger as ACTING General Manager with a million dollar bonus for fulfilling his promises to bring non-contaminated water to Las Vegas with the third straw—ON TIME AND ON BUDGET. Draw up your own “Contract”, disband the IRPAC or make it do the job it was supposed to do of evaluating rates, refuse to re-hire the consultant for IRPAC, who is anything but “neutral”, and make it clear that you're looking for a turn-around expert for this very troubled agency.

Thank you.

Ed Uehling

January 14, 2014

Clark County Commission/LVVWD Board
SNWA Board
Las Vegas, Nevada

Re: Item #10 of SNWA agenda January 16 and “emergency” meeting of LVVWD
apparently January 21

Dear Mary Beth Scow, Susan Brager, Steve Sisolak, Lawrence Weekly, Larry Brown,
Tom Collins, Chris Giunchigliani, Anita Brown, Sam Bateman, Duncan McCoy, and Bob
Coffin:

I prepared the attached letters before getting the amazing news that one Commissioner
and Board Member of LVVWD and SNWA actually believes that the
Mulroy/Entsminger water empires should obey the law!!! That is quite a shocker and
affects some of the content of attached letters—although the basic ideas remain valid.

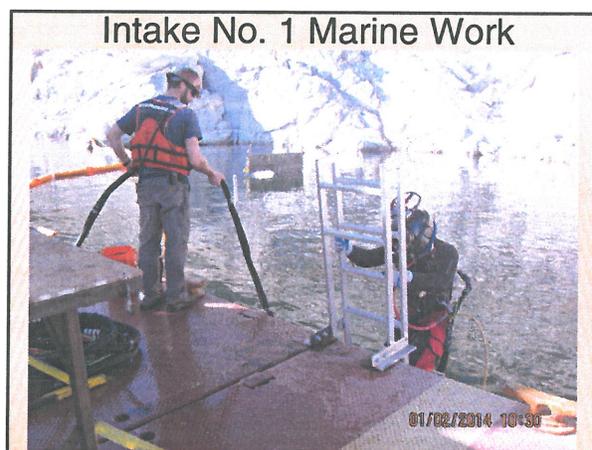
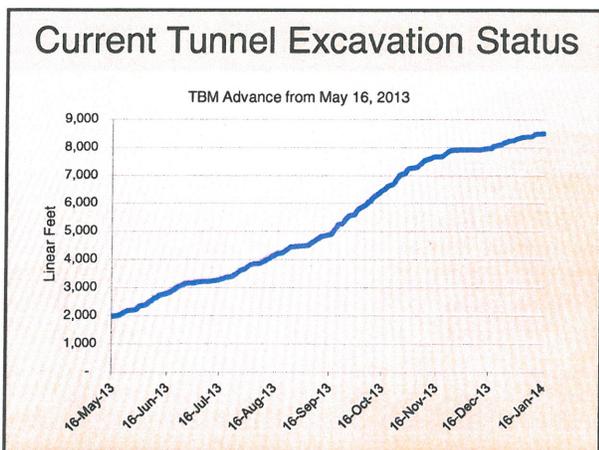
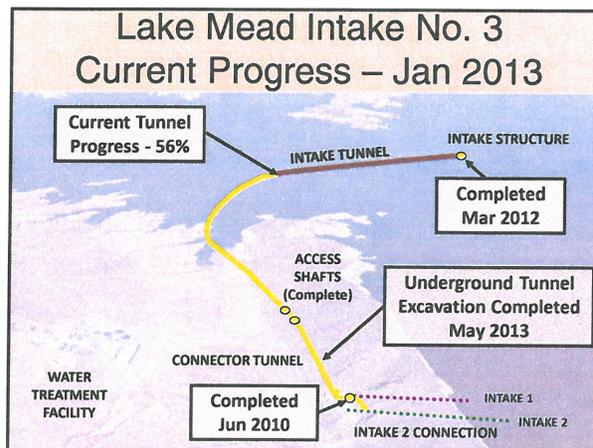
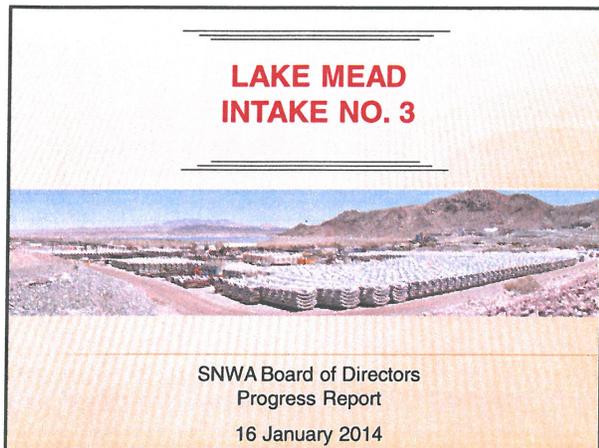
Hopefully, the Board of SNWA will “man-up” at its meeting Thursday (since there won’t
be a new General Manager anointed and glued in place at the time), cease being lapdogs
(in the very appropriate words of John L. Smith) to the RICO-challenged management of
these water mafias, refuse to accept the tortured language of “The Contract” that is being
shoved down your throats, place the SNWA in a position of “Authority” over the “Water
District” as common use of the English language would dictate (among other things),
take control and actually make your own decisions for the first time in 20 years and
actually expect these criminals to obey the law like the rest of us.

I’m really sorry that I don’t have to time to research more and understand the finer details
during the next two days before the SNWA meeting—but that’s not my job anyway. It’s
yours, so please do it. The whole Valley (except Rogich and Vasilliadis and the
pampered cabal at SNWA/LVVWD, whichever or both) will thank you.

VERY sincerely yours,

Ed Uehling

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SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY

Update on Drought Conditions and Water Use

January 16, 2014

Drought Monitor

(January 7, 2014)

Drought Impact Index:
 0-1: Drought not detected or slight
 2-3: Moderate drought
 4-5: Severe drought
 6-7: Extreme drought
 8-9: Exceptional drought

Author:
 Mark Svoboda
 National Drought Mitigation Center

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>

Seasonal Drought Outlook

(Valid December - March, 2014)

KEY:
 Persistence
 Development
 Improvement
 Removal
 No Drought Forecast/Predicted

Author: Rich Tinker, Climate Prediction Center, NOAA
http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/forecast/seasonal_outlook_drought.html

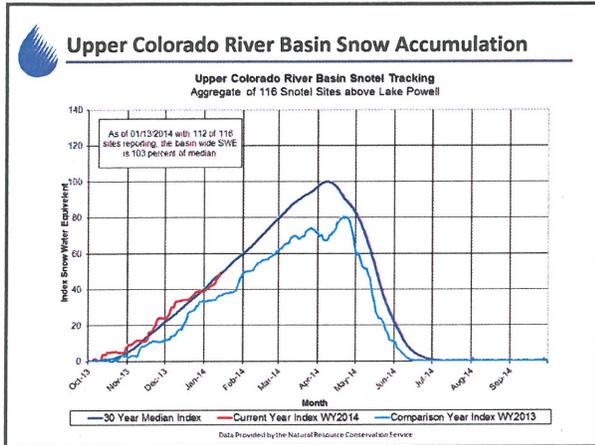
Source: National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Department of Commerce

Colorado River Basin Conditions

Seasonal Precipitation, October 2013 - December 2013
 (Data reported by Hydrologic Unit)

- December inflow to Lake Powell: 81% of average
- Snow Pack: 103% of average
- Water Year 2014 Precipitation: 96% of average
- Forecasted Water Year 2014 Inflow to Lake Powell: 93% of average

% Average
 100-120%
 80-100%
 60-80%
 40-60%
 20-40%
 0-20%
 0% or less



Precipitation and Inflow Forecast – Lake Powell

Month	2013 Water Year		2014 Water Year	
	Actual Precipitation	Inflows Forecast	Actual Precipitation	Inflows Forecast
Jan	72%	61%	96%	93%
Feb	78%	54%		
Mar	76%	49%		
Apr	78%	42%		
May	80%	45%		
Jun	77%	44%		
Jul	80%	41%		
Aug	81%	40%		
Sept	90%	46%		
Actual	91%	47%		

Source: Bureau of Reclamation, Lower Colorado Water Supply Reports

SNWA Water Use

