

Bios

Gretchen Gutierrez has been the Executive Director for the Antelope Valley Building Industry Association (BIA) for 10+ years. Prior to her joining the BIA, she was with two national homebuilders, serving as Marketing Director for projects throughout LA & Ventura Counties. Having grown up in a construction family provided a solid background for the homebuilding industry. Gretchen holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Law and serves on a number of community charity organizations board of directors.

Ray Tremblay is serving as the LA County Sanitation Districts' Monitoring Section Head. Mr. Tremblay has been employed by the Districts since 1993. He has also served with the Districts sewerage operations and construction management sections. Educated at the University of Michigan, he earned his Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering and Master's degree in Environmental Engineering. He is a registered civil engineer in the state of California. His responsibilities are chiefly to ensure regulatory compliances at the Districts' water reclamation plants in Northern Los Angeles County.

John Goit is the Vice President of Sundale Mutual Water Company and serves as the Director of the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau.

Laura Blank is the Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Farm Bureau.



Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan

5th Stakeholder Meeting

September 27, 2006, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Larry Chimbole Cultural Center
(38350 Sierra Highway, Palmdale CA 93550)

Antelope Valley Regional Water Management Group

Formation of a Regional Water Management Group is needed

- To adopt the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan ; and
- To submit future grant applications

A Regional Water Management Group must

- Consist of three or more local public agencies, at least two of which have statutory authority over water supply; and
- Participate by means of an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

The following is a list of the agencies that are expected to be members of the Antelope Valley Regional Water Management Group (11 total):

- Los Angeles County Waterworks Dist. No. 40
(Recommendation to Board for approval of \$60,000 on Oct. 10)
- Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency
(Board's approval of \$50,000 on 8/29)
- Palmdale Water District
(Board's approval of \$60,000 on 8/23)
- Quartz Hill Water District
(Board's approval of \$5,000 on 9/14)
- Littlerock Creek Irrigation District
(Board's approval of \$5,000 on 8/23)
- City of Palmdale
(City Council's approval of \$50,000 on 8/2)
- City of Lancaster
(Recommendation to City Council for approval on 9/26)
- Los Angeles County Sanitation Dist. No. 14
(Recommendation to Board for approval on 9/27)
- Los Angeles County Sanitation Dist. No. 20
(Recommendation to Board for approval on 9/27)
- Rosamond Community Services District
(Board's approval of \$5,000 on 8/23)
- Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association

Meeting Objectives:

- Provide a brief recap of the 4th stakeholder meeting.
- Understand the issues, needs, challenges and/or vision of various stakeholders for the future water resources management in the Antelope Valley.
- Present the final MOU to form the Regional Water Management Group for the Antelope Valley IRWM Plan.
- Present Consultant's scope of work and budget.
- Discuss next steps for the Antelope Valley IRWM Plan development.

Meeting Agenda:

- 9:00 Welcome, Introductions, Meeting Objectives and Agenda (Ariki)
- 9:05 Recap of the August Meeting (Ariki)
- 9:15 County Sanitation District Nos. 14 and 20 of Los Angeles County's vision for water resources management in the Antelope Valley (Tremblay)
- 9:35 Housing Trends in the Antelope Valley (Gutierrez)
- 9:55 Water Banking in the Armagosa Creek (Goit and Blank)
- 10:15 Q&A
- 10:30 Update on Status of MOU for Regional Water Management Group (Pedersen)
- 10:35 Review of Proposed Scope of Work for Professional Facilitation (Pedersen)
- 10:45 Review of Consultant's Budget & Discussion of Next Steps for the IRWM Plan Development (Cotton)
- 10:55 Next Meeting (Ariki)