



## MEINERS OAKS WATER DISTRICT

July 13, 2016

### Minutes of MOWD Drought Committee Meetings

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<b>Committee</b>	Drought Committee
<b>Meeting Dates</b>	July 1 and July 13, 2016, at 10:00 AM at the District's office
<b>Attendance</b>	Mike Hollebrands – General Manager Diana Engle – Director Jim Kentosh – Board president General public – none
<b>Topics</b>	Drought issues

We discussed and reached consensus on various issues related to the drought, including:

- 1) We developed a one-page Stage 3 notice to go out in the next billing, subject to Board review. (A copy is in the board packet.)
- 2) We propose several future drought-related notices, including an explanation of how to read your water bill, and an overview of the severity of the drought; to be sent out with future water bills. Other ideas for notices would be welcome.
- 3) The next version of our drought plan will focus on Stage 3, so that customers will know what to expect, while we develop our approach to later stages. We hope to bring the plan to the board for adoption in August.
- 4) To streamline the process, we will develop a separate policy on how to handle waiver/allocation requests, for possible adoption in August.
- 5) We discussed Casitas MWD's approach to the drought, compared to our own. Heretofore, the Board has informally agreed to follow the lead of Casitas. **However, it may become necessary for MOWD to adopt stricter water-use restrictions than Casitas has. We plan to discuss this important topic at the Board meeting.**
- 6) Depending on input from the Board, we will develop water-use restrictions that would go into effect in future Stages 4 and 5, and possibly later in Stage 3 if we have insufficient rain by next April. These will be put into a subsequent revision of our drought plan.