

Watermaster Duties & Responsibilities

Watermaster Organizational Meeting

2/17/2016

Watermaster by Definition

- Extension of the Court
 - Implement the Judgement
 - Watermaster Powers and Duties
 - Derived from the Judgment
 - What Does the Judgment Say?

Judgement

III Physical Solution
SECTION:

18.0 Watermaster

- Powers and Duties of the Watermaster
 - Selection of the Watermaster Engineer
 - Adoption of Rules and Regulations
 - Employ of Experts and Agents
 - Maintain a Notice List
 - Prepare Annual Administrative Budget
 - Investment of Funds
 - Borrowing...

Judgement

III Physical Solution cont.
SECTION:

18.0 Watermaster

- Powers and Duties of the Watermaster cont.
 - Transfers
 - New production applications
 - Unauthorized actions
 - Meetings and records
 - Assessment procedures

Summary

Watermaster Powers and Duties

- Enforce Injunctions
- Implement the Physical Solution
- Adjust Basin Sub Areas
- Enter into Storage Agreements
- Account for Carry Over Water
- Establish Rules & Regulations for Transfer of Production Rights
- Monitor New Well Construction
- Exercise Powers and Duties of the Watermaster
- Oversee the Watermaster Engineer in Fulfillment of Duties
- Approve & Submit Annual Report to the Court

Advisory Committee Duties & Responsibilities

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Judgement

III Physical Solution
SECTION:

19.0 Advisory Committee

- Powers and Duties of the Advisory Committee
 - Advisory Committee Authority
 - *“The Producers are authorized and directed to cause a committee of Producer representatives to be organized and to act as an Advisory Committee.”*
 - *“The Advisory Committee shall act in an advisory capacity only and shall have the duty to study, review, and make recommendations on all discretionary determinations by Watermaster.”*
 - *“Parties shall only provide input to the Watermaster through the Advisory Committee.”*

Judgement

III Physical Solution cont.

SECTION:

19.0 Advisory Committee

- Powers and Duties of the Advisory Committee Cont.
 - Advisory Committee Meetings
 - *“The Advisory Committee shall 1) meet on a regular basis; 2) review Watermaster’s activities pursuant to this Judgment on at least a semi-annual basis; and 3) receive and make advisory recommendations to Watermaster.”*
 - *“...Meetings shall be open to all members of the public...”*
 - *“Edwards Air ForceBase and the State of California shall be ex officio members of the committee. The United States may also appoint a DoD Liaison to the Watermaster pursuant to Joint Ethics Regulation 3-201.*