



# CITY OF CHINO

## MONTHLY AGENCY REPORTS

MAY 20, 2025 - Covering meetings from March 1 – March 31, 2025

Members of the Chino City Council are assigned to represent the City on several external agencies, committees, boards, and task forces. This report summarizes the actions and discussions of those entities as they may impact or be of interest to the City of Chino, its businesses, and its residents.

### CHAFFEY COLLEGE CHINO COMMUNITY CENTER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report By: Silvia Avalos

**Meeting Date: March 18, 2025**

**Rental Rates/Coordination Fee Update** – Proposal for new rates was approved, reflecting a \$25 or 7% increase to the hourly rental fee for the full space, a \$15 or 5.7% increase for 2/3 space, and a \$10 or 6.7% increase for 1/3 space. The rental increase will be effective 7/1/2025 and will apply to any event scheduled on 7/1/2025 or later. The committee also agreed to review rental rates every two years.

**Facility Sound System Update** - Avidex was called to assess the sound system. The equipment needed adjustments to the sound levels, which enhanced the overall audio quality. An annual maintenance agreement will also be purchased to ensure that the system is maintained at all times.

**Financial Statement Update** – The Income Statement is currently on pace to meet budget projections with a net profit of just under \$55,000.

**Next anticipated meeting date: June 17, 2025**

### CHINO VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Council Representative: Christopher Flores | Staff Report By: Ellyse Martinez

**Meeting Date: March 18, 2025**

- On Saturday, March 1, Council Member Chris Flores and Ellyse Martinez attended the **Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting for Golden Hour Aesthetics and Wendy's Beauty Bomb Spa**. Council Member Flores presented the businesses with a certificate and welcomed them to the community. The business is located at 11692 Central Ave. Suite 12.
- On Saturday, March 1, Council Member Chris Flores and Ellyse Martinez also attended the **Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting for the Ranch Sports Facility**. Council Member Flores presented the business with a certificate of congratulations and welcomed them to the community. He spoke of the importance of businesses like the Ranch Sports Facility opening in the City. The business is located at 16067 Euclid Ave.
- On Sunday, March 2, Council Member Chris Flores and Linda Hinojos attended the **Grand Re-Opening of SWEAT Athletics**. Council Member Flores presented a certificate of congratulations. The business is located at 5420 Philadelphia St., Suite A.

- On Thursday, March 20, Mayor Eunice Ulloa, Mayor Pro Tem Council Burton, Linda Reich, Arianna Fajardo, Matt Bramlett, and Ellyse Martinez attended the **Chamber Salute to Public Safety**. While at the event, Mayor Ulloa presented certificates of congratulations to first responders being recognized for their commitment to serving the community.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 15, 2025**

#### CHINO BASIN DESALTER AUTHORITY

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report By: Pete Vicario

**Meeting Date: March 25, 2025**

No business to report. This month's CDA meeting was not attended.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 22, 2025**

#### CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report By: Benjamin Orosco

**Meeting Date: March 27, 2025**

#### Informational Items

##### **2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation**

West-Yost Associate, Chino Basin Watermaster's engineering consultant, released a draft 2025 Safe Yield Evaluation Report on March 24, 2025. A topic of water budget and Basin recharge discussion rose to the top as a concern for all Appropriative Pool agencies. There are five (5) sources of groundwater recharge to the Chino Basin.

1. Stormwater recharge (~5%)
2. Streambed Infiltration (~16%) from natural creeks and riverbeds
3. Deep Infiltration/Applied Water (DIPAW)\* (~40%)
4. Subsurface Inflow from adjacent basins (~27%) – Underground movement of water from adjacent groundwater basins
5. Supplemental water recharge from imported water (~11%)

Item No. 3, Deep Infiltration/Applied Water (DIPAW), is the single largest source of historic recharge in the Basin. Over the years, farmlands were developed into housing/commercial centers and roads, resulting in more impervious areas. This source of water had the most significant decrease in the model analysis.

Due to this significant finding, the safe yield model projection is estimated to decrease the safe yield by 14,000 acre-feet between 2020 and 2025.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 24, 2025**

**CHINO VALLEY INDEPENDENT FIRE DISTRICT - LIAISON TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report By: Linda Reich

**Meeting Date: March 12, 2025**

- **Closed Session** – Included the Fire Chief’s evaluation and a conference with labor negotiators.
- **Presentations** – Fire Marshall O’Toole presented on CalFire’s new Fire Hazard Severity Zones in Local Responsibility Areas, including the new map for Chino.
- **Reports** - The Board received the following reports:
  - **Incident Response Data** for February 2025 showing the number and response times for fire, emergency medical response, and other calls.
  - **Community Risk Reduction** reports for February 2025 for permits, licenses, and new construction activities, as well as the associated revenues collected from fees for these services.
  - **Monthly Financial and Treasurer’s Reports** for January 2025. The Financial Report shows monthly and year-to-date revenues and expenditures. The Treasurer’s Report shows the district has approximately \$55 million in cash and unrestricted balances and approximately \$16 million in restricted investment balances.
- **Fire Chief’s Comments**
  - Reported on the Washington, D.C. legislative advocacy trip attended by Fire Chief Williams, Deputy Fire Chief Ault, Vice President Kreeger, and Director Haughey.
  - On February 22, the Chino Valley Firefighters Foundation unveiled a new Save Station at Ayala Park during the softball grand reopening.
  - The quarterly meeting between CVFD and the City of Chino is scheduled for March 18.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 9, 2025****CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report By: Vivian Castro

**Meeting Date: March 20, 2025**

The Student Representative on the Board, Gabriella Segoviano, reported that high school seniors shadowed professionals of the City of Chino for the Student Government Day activity on February 26. She noted that she served as the Police Chief with Chief Kevin Menson.

The Board approved the following 4-0 (Cruz absent):

- Increase the District’s Maximum Annual Contribution to the Health and Welfare Benefits Premium for Classified Confidential Employees for the 2025/2026 school year, and for the 2024/2025 school year, provide a one-time, off-schedule payment of \$1,350.00.

- Student Attendance Calendars for the 2026/2027, 2027/2028, and 2028/2029 School Years

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 17, 2025**

#### **CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT – MEASURE G OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report By: Silvia Avalos

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 30, 2025**

#### **CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE FOR CIM & CIW**

Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report By: Aaron Kelliher

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: TBD**

#### **INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY (IEUA) REGIONAL SEWERAGE COMMITTEE**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Benjamin Orosco

**Meeting Date: March 6, 2025**

#### **Information Items**

##### **Standardizing Sewer Equivalent Dwelling Unit Computations Guidelines (Regional Document – Exhibit J)**

IEUA proposes to standardize the calculation of an Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) by plumbing fixture counts and the strength of sewage generated by various business types. IEUA collaborated with the Technical Policy Advisory Committee and the Building Activity Report Sub-Committee. EDU is a numerical value designation where one EDU represents the sewage flow from a single-family residential household.

The Regional Document (Exhibit J) is used regionally to calculate IEUA's sewer connection fees. The Building Activity Report Subcommittee (made up of regional member agencies) has updated the standardized fixture count sheet in Exhibit J, which all agencies will now use to calculate Equivalent Dwelling Unit charges. The IEUA sewer connection fee applies to new connections and changes in use. There are three categories of facilities for Equivalent Dwelling Units: residential, commercial, and industrial. The goal is to achieve region-wide consistency in calculating Equivalent Dwelling Unit charges.

The new Exhibit J standardized Sewer Equivalent Unit Computation guideline is supported by the member agencies and approved by the Advisory Committee and the Board. It is being finalized, and IEUA will distribute it for use by the end of the month.

##### **Rate Study Update – IEUAA provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Rate Increase**

Revenue is divided into three main categories: rates and fees, property tax, and debt proceeds, loans, and

other. Rates and fees fund essential services such as wastewater treatment, regional composting, renewable energy, recycled water treatment and delivery, groundwater recharge, and imported water supply. This includes charges like the monthly wastewater Equivalent Dwelling Unit EDU rate, which covers system operation and maintenance, and the wastewater capacity and connection fee, which supports infrastructure expansion for future growth.

The recycled water direct use rate helps meet water demand while reducing reliance on imported sources, and the recycled water fixed cost recovery rate ensures stable revenue by offsetting usage-based fluctuations. The one water connection fee funds capital improvements and system expansion, while the recycled water groundwater recharge rate supports recharge project costs. Additionally, the meter equivalent unit (MEU) rate is a fixed monthly charge based on average water use that supports regional water supply reliability and conservation.

The presentation also provided further details on allocations within each revenue category.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 3, 2025**

**LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES – INLAND EMPIRE DIVISION**  
Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

**Meeting Date: March 20, 2025**

The Inland Empire Division of the League of Cities met at the El Prado Golf Course in Chino for a lunch panel discussion on “Meet the Builders.” The panel consisted of representatives from the Building Industry Association of San Bernardino County, Lewis Group of Companies, and KB Homes. The panelists discussed the status of home building in San Bernardino County, state housing and land development laws impacting construction, and how the economy is impacting the region and construction.

**Next anticipated meeting date: May 29, 2025**

**OMNITRANS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report by: Dennis Ralls

**Meeting Date: March 5, 2025**

The Board received its quarterly Management Plan, Strategic Initiatives, and Key Performance Indicators update. Within this quarter’s updated notes, there was an 8.24% increase in systemwide ridership year-to-date, with a 6.57% increase in systemwide ridership over this same quarter last year. No other Chino area updates were discussed.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 2, 2025**

**ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY (OIAA)  
INTER-AGENCY COLLABORATIVE (ROUNDTABLE)**

Council Representative: Christopher Flores | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: TBD**

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Staff Report By: Rogelio Huerta

**Meeting Date: March 5, 2025**

**ONT Connector Project**

The Board approved by resolution the final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the ONT Connector Project. The ONT Connector Project is anticipated to construct a 4.2-mile subterranean tunnel between the Ontario International Airport and the Rancho Cucamonga Metrolink Station. Several public speakers, most of whom were San Bernardino County residents representing various groups, expressed opposition to the project, stating its high cost, low capacity, and preference for surface mass-transit options as primary reasons they opposed the project.

Several Board members also commented, mostly in support of the project, stating improvements to be realized in coordination with the Brightline project, which will have a stop at the Rancho Cucamonga Metrolink Station. Mayor Ulloa asked if approval of the EIR locks anything in. The Mayor also commented on concerns over the current and future costs of the project. Mr. Wolfe stated that SBCTA is not locked into anything until they approve the construction agreements, and that increased costs are inevitable in large infrastructure projects.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 2, 2025**

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY TASK FORCE**

Council Representative: Christopher Flores | Staff Report by: Xochitl Huerta

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 30, 2025**

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (SBCTA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report by: Dennis Ralls

**Meeting Date: March 5, 2025**

**Measure I**

The Board received an update on second quarter revenue for Measure I. When compared to the same quarter last year, revenue is down 1.09%, which was attributed to a decrease in spending throughout San Bernardino County.

### **Call For Projects – Agency Project Submissions**

The Board approved a framework for which SBCTA will prioritize agency project submissions to SCAG for the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) call for projects. STBG program is a federal transportation funding source for projects that preserve and improve the conditions and performance of highways, bridges, and public roads; pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; and transit capital projects.

The CMAQ Improvement Program is a federal funding source for transportation projects and programs to reduce congestion and improve air quality for areas not meeting the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone, carbon monoxide, or particulate matter. SBCTA's ranking is expected to weigh 50% on SCAG's final project ranking criteria. Staff has reviewed the grant opportunity criteria and has not identified any project ready for submission for this recurring grant this cycle.

### **Update on the Status and Implementation Strategy for the San Bernardino Regional Housing Trust**

On March 1, 2023, the San Bernardino Council of Governments (SBCOG) Board of Directors (Board) approved the creation and implementation of the San Bernardino Regional Housing Trust (SBRHT). This Board direction was received after 14 months of collaborative work with an Ad Hoc of both the Board and the City/County Managers' Technical Advisory Committee (CCMTAC) to identify the structure of the trust and potential priorities for the participating member agencies. Currently, there are 18 member agencies interested in participating in the SBRHT, including the City of Chino.

The Board also directed staff to apply for state's Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0 program, which is administered by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), for project funding. REAP funds were awarded in the fall of 2024, and staff have been working to execute the MOU. REAP funds must be expended by June 2026.

A consultant has been selected to coordinate the development of the SBRHT. A Housing Trust Ad Hoc Committee meeting is scheduled for March. The Committee has a term through December 31, 2025, and includes Daniel Ramos, Adelanto; Eunice Ulloa, Chino; John Dutrey, Montclair; Alan Wapner, Ontario; L. Dennis Michael, Rancho Cucamonga; Rick Denison, Yucca Valley; and Curt Hagman, SB County Supervisor District 4.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 2, 2025**

### **SBCTA – CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE**

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: TBD**

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) – GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: May 1, 2025**

**SANTA ANA WATERSHED ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report by: Benjamin Orosco

**Meeting Date: March 4, 2025**

**Brine Line Debris Hauling Services**

The Project Agreement 24 Committee approved to direct the General Manager to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Debris Hauling and Disposal services for the Brine Line. The contract will span from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2027, with an option for a one-year renewal. The RFP schedule includes proposals due by April 10, 2025, with an estimated two-year cost of \$70,000. Funds for this service are allocated in the Fiscal Year 2026 and Fiscal Year 2027 Brine Line Enterprise budget.

**Inland Empire Brine Line SCADA Specification Design and Work Plan**

The Project Agreement 24 Committee recommended issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Inland Empire Brine Line Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Specification Design and Work Plan. The SCADA system, outlined in the December 2024 Master Plan, will improve monitoring by collecting real-time flow and quality data from discharger locations and in-line flow points. The project scope includes design, data review, and staff input, with deliverables being a bid-ready Design Specification and Work Plan. The RFP process will begin on March 4, 2025, with proposals due by April 16, 2025, and a contract recommendation in May 2025. Funding is allocated in the Fiscal Year 2025 and Fiscal Year 2026 Brine Line Enterprise budget.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 1, 2025**

**WATER FACILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Benjamin Orosco

**Meeting Date: March 6, 2025**

**Information Items****Work Done During the Rialto Feeder Pipeline Shutdown**

The Metropolitan Water District scheduled a February 12-25, 2025, shutdown of the Rialto Feeder Pipeline. During this shutdown, Metropolitan performed repairs and inspections on its pipeline. The Rialto Feeder Pipeline is also the Water Facility Authority's Agua de Lejos Treatment Plant's source of water. In coordination with the shutdown, the treatment plant was shut down and fully drained. This shutdown also provided an opportunity to conduct essential inspections and maintenance that can only be performed when the plant is



completely offline. Key activities included exercising distribution valves with the assistance of the Cities of Chino and Upland, replacing isolation valves for pressure gauges, reinstalling a pressure-reducing valve at the plant influent, and replacing the 4-inch backflow preventer for the chlorine system.

Additionally, contractor RC Foster was on-site to replace twelve 30-inch butterfly valves and four 12-inch butterfly valves as part of the Sedimentation Basin Valve Replacement Project. These proactive efforts ensure the continued reliability and efficiency of the treatment plant by addressing critical components, performing necessary repairs, and enhancing the plant's overall performance.

**Next anticipated meeting date: May 7, 2025**

### **ANIMAL RESOURCE CENTER OF THE INLAND EMPIRE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Rogelio Huerta

**Meeting Date: March 26, 2025**

The Animal Resource Center of the Inland Empire (ARC) Board of Directors held a meeting on March 26, 2025, where the following key actions were taken:

1. **ARC Fiscal Year 2024-25 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment** - Approved the mid-year budget adjustment for the Animal Resource Center of the Inland Empire for Fiscal Year 2024-25. This adjustment allows the ARC to adapt its financial plan to address any changes in revenue, expenditures, or program priorities that have arisen since the adoption of the original budget.
2. **ARC Fiscal Year 2025-26 Annual Budget** – Approved the annual budget for the Animal Resource Center of the Inland Empire for Fiscal Year 2025-26. This budget outlines the ARC's projected revenues and expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year, providing a financial framework for its operations and programs.
3. **Resolution Designating a Regular Meeting Cadence** - Adopted a resolution establishing a regular meeting schedule for the Animal Resource Center of the Inland Empire. This resolution formally designates the dates, times, and locations of future ARC Board meetings, ensuring transparency and facilitating public access.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 1, 2025**

### **WEST VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

Council Representative: Chris Flores | Staff Report by: Vivian Castro

**Meeting Date: March 25, 2025**

#### **Personnel Committee**

The Board approved Personnel Committee recommendations to:

- Revise the vacation policy.
- Increase the boot allowance.

- Amend the District Manager’s contract, increasing the base salary by 5%, providing an additional 40 hours of vacation, and increasing by 2% the 457 deferred compensation contribution made by the District.

## Reports

- **Field Operations Report** – The City of Chino accounted for 18.8% of the service requests, 60 % of the mosquitoes collected, 159 inspections conducted, and 83.7% of the square feet treated for vectors (mosquitoes) during February.
- **Vector Disease and Surveillance Report** – Of the 70 mosquitoes collected in February, 42 were collected in Chino. No invasive *Aedes* mosquitoes were collected this month.

## Administrative Report

- **Mutual Assistance Agreement for Mosquito and Vector Control Services** – The Board unanimously approved entering into a Mutual Assistance Agreement for Mosquito and Vector Control Services with the other mosquito and vector control agencies of Southern California to cooperate and mutually assist each other when the need arises to control mosquitoes and other vectors and to prevent the spread of vector-borne diseases and discomfort.
- **Committee Selections** – The Board confirmed the existing officers and Committee assignments. Paul Leon, President; Gary George, Vice-President; and Carolyn Raft, Secretary. Trustee Raft and Trustee Breitling, are assigned to the Insurance Committee. Trustee Johsz and Vice-President George are assigned to the Finance and Budget Committee. Trustee Johsz and Vice-President George, are assigned to the Personnel Committee.
- **CalTrust** – CalTrust provided its 2024 annual report, showing CalTrust holds \$4.6 billion in assets, with WVMVCD having total assets of \$541,809.33 in CalTrust.

**Next anticipated meeting date: April 22, 2025**