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March 10-11, 2025

Committee and Board

Meeting

Agenda Packet



The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

BOARD UPDATES

Schedule of Meetings – March 2025

Monday, March 10

- 9:00 a.m. Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee
- 11:00 a.m. Legislation and Communications Committee
- 12:00 p.m. Break
- 12:30 p.m. Ethics, EEO, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee
- 2:00 p.m. Audit Committee
- 3:00 p.m. One Water and Adaptation Committee

Tuesday, March 11

- 8:30 a.m. Finance, Affordability, Asset Management and Efficiency Committee
- 11:30 a.m. Legal and Claims Committee
- 1:30 p.m. Break
- 2:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, March 25

- 11:00 a.m. Executive Committee

Wednesday, March 26

- 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling

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Agenda

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EOT Committee

D. Erdman, Chair
S. Faessel, Vice Chair
D. Alvarez
G. Bryant
J. Crawford
B. Dennstedt
L. Fong-Sakai
R. Lefevre
J. McMillan
C. Miller
J. Morris
M. Petersen
K. Seckel

Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 10, 2025

9:00 a.m.

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02:00 p.m. AUDIT
03:00 p.m. OWA**

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**** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION ****

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A.** Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee for February 10, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4319**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-1** Award a \$407,740.66 procurement contract to Ireland Inc. (dba Core-Rosion Products) to furnish two sodium hypochlorite tanks for the Copper Basin Reservoir; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4303](#)
- 7-2** Award procurement contracts in the amount of \$321,575 to Integrated 8a Solutions, Inc. for two 24-inch knife gate valves and in the amount of \$2,151,947 to Bailey Valve for two 24-inch sleeve valves for the Hollywood Tunnel pressure control structure; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4304](#)
- 7-3** Authorize an increase of \$1.0 million to a professional services agreement with Grid Subject Matter Experts, LLC for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$1.245 million for electric transmission planning and National Electric Reliability Corporation related electric reliability compliance services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4305](#)

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ******4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a.** Capital Investment Plan Quarterly Report for period ending December 2024 **21-4321**
- b.** Asset Management Program Update **21-4354**
- c.** Risk Management in Capital Project Planning and Delivery **21-4322**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Engineering Services activities **21-4323**
Information Technology activities
Water System Operations activities

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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LEG Committee

J. Lewitt, Chair
A. Fellow, VC
Communication
A. Kassakhian, VC
Legislation
L. Ackerman
B. Dennstedt
J. Garza
G. Gray
M. Luna
J. McMillan
J. Morris
T. Phan
B. Pressman
M. Ramos

Legislation and Communications Committee - Hidden

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2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Legislation and Communications Committee for February 10, 2025 (copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4325**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Construction Outreach: Updates and Insight **21-4329**
- b. Report on Activities from Washington, D.C. **21-4327**
- c. Report on Activities from Sacramento **21-4328**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. External Affairs activities **21-4326**

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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Audit Committee

J. Armstrong, Chair
M. Ramos, Vice Chair
G. Cordero
D. De Jesus
J. Garza

Audit Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

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2:00 p.m.

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2. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- A. General Auditor's summary of activities 21-4362

**** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION ****

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Audit Subcommittee of the Executive Committee for November 20, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-4179

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Quality Assurance & Improvement Program Results 21-4181
- b. Study, advise, or recommend on Board member/Board committee audit assignment requests 21-4182

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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G. Cordero, Vice Chair
B. Dennstedt
L. Dick
S. Faessel
A. Fellow
L. Fong-Sakai
J. Garza
G. Gray
M. Luna

Ethics, EEO, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

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12:30 p.m.

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2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee for October 7, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4346**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. State of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Metropolitan's Approach **21-4348**
- b. Update on Workforce Development **21-4349**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Ethics Officer's report on monthly activities **21-4332**
- b. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion activities **21-4333**
Equal Employment Opportunity activities

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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OWA Committee

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M. Katz, Vice Chair
L. Ackerman
D. Alvarez
J. Armstrong
G. Cordero
D. De Jesus
D. Erdman
L. Fong-Sakai
M. Gold
S. Goldberg
C. Kurtz
R. Lefevre
J. Lewitt
C. Miller
B. Pressman
N. Sutley

One Water and Adaptation Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

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2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting One Water Stewardship Committee for February 10, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4334**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-4 Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with City of San Buenaventura and Calleguas Municipal Water District for wheeling and emergency delivery of State Water Project water; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4307](#)
- 7-5 Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements to terminate six inactive Conjunctive Use Program agreements; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4308](#)
- 7-6 Authorize the General Manager to enter into a Stormwater for Recharge Pilot Program agreement with the City of Anaheim with a maximum amount up to \$980,000 for the State College Stormwater Tank Project; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4309](#)
- 7-7 Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with Coachella Valley Water District, Imperial Irrigation District, Palo Verde Irrigation District, and the City of Needles to allow water to be added to Lake Mead under U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program; the General Manager has determined the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4310](#)

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

- 8-1 Authorize an increase of maximum amount payable under the contract with Richardson & Company LLP for auditing services related to State Water Project charges from \$5,125,000 to an amount not to exceed \$8,900,000 and extend the term by three years to March 31, 2028; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4306](#)

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Update on Water Surplus and Drought Management **21-4341**
- b. Palo Verde Valley Land Ownership Analysis **21-4342**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Bay-Delta Resources activities **21-4335**
Colorado River Resources activities
Water Resources Management activities

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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FAAME Committee

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D. Alvarez, VC Budget
J. Armstrong
G. Bryant
D. De Jesus
B. Dennstedt
L. Fong-Sakai
M. Gold
J. McMillan
M. Petersen
B. Pressman
T. Quinn
K. Seckel

Finance, Affordability, Asset Management, and Efficiency Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

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3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-8 Authorize the General Manager to execute a new 25-year ground license for telecommunications facilities with Verizon Wireless in the City of Winchester; the subject telecom site is located in the City of Winchester, identified as County of Riverside Assessor Parcel No 964-030-005-3; CEQA [21-4311](#)
- 7-9 Review and consider the County of Riverside Final Environmental Impact Report and Authorize the General Manager to execute a new thirty-year license agreement to Intersect Power, LLC, for renewable energy infrastructure purposes on Metropolitan fee-owned property in the County of Riverside and identified as Assessor Parel Numbers 808-023-022, 808-023-030 [21-4312](#)

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

- 8-2 Approve Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency High Desert Groundwater Banking Program Agreement Amendment [CEQA] [21-4313](#)
- 8-3 Authorize Fleet Financing Program; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4314](#)

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Review Draft Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water Implementation Strategy **21-4364**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Finance, Affordability, Asset Management, and Efficiency activities Sustainability, Resilience, and Innovation activities **21-4351**

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Report from Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling **21-4352**
- b. Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling **21-4353**

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

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L&C Committee

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M. Camacho
G. Cordero
L. Dick
C. Douglas
A. Fellow
C. Kurtz
T. McCoy
C. Miller
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1. Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction (As required by Gov. Code Section 54954.3(a))

2. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- A. General Counsel's report of monthly activities **21-4344**

**** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION ****

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Legal and Claims Committee for February 11, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4345**

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-10 Approve amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to conform surplus water provisions to current law and practice, update the list of active District funds, and clarify employee benefits for unrepresented employees; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4204**

- 7-11 Authorize an increase of \$100,000, to an amount not-to-exceed \$600,000, for a contract for legal services with Hanson Bridgett LLP to provide legal advice on deferred compensation plans, other employee benefits, taxes, and CalPERS matters; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4367**

- 7-12 Placeholder Admin Code Change Governance Changes **21-4365**

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

- 8-4 Report on litigation in Ryan Tiegs v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Riverside County Superior Court Case No. CVPS2306176, and authorize increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the amount of \$300,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$825,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]. **21-4366**

- 8-5 Placeholder Liebert Cassidy Whitmore **21-4368**

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Report on litigation in San Diego County Water Authority v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, et al., San Francisco County Superior Court Case Nos. CPF-10-510830, CPF-12-512466, CPF-14-514004, CPF-16-515282, CPF-16-515391, CGC-17-563350, and CPF-18-516389; the appeals of the 2010 and 2012 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case Nos. A146901, A148266, A161144, and A162168, and California Supreme Court Case No. S243500; the petition for extraordinary writ in the 2010 and 2012 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A155310; the petition for extraordinary writ in the second 2016 action, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A154325 and California Supreme Court Case No. S251025; the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California v. San Diego County Water Authority cross-complaints in the 2014, 2016, and 2018 actions; and the appeals of the 2014, 2016, and 2018 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A170156; and provide direction to staff on potential settlement of the 2014, 2016, and 2018 actions, including the cross-complaints and appeals, San Francisco County Superior Court Case Nos. CPF-14-514004, CPF-16-515282, and CPF-18-516389 and Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A170156; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Sections 54956.9(d)(1)] **21-4343**

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Agenda

The mission of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is to provide its service area with adequate and reliable supplies of high-quality water to meet present and future needs in an environmentally and economically responsible way.

Board of Directors - Hidden

March 11, 2025

2:00 PM

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 Meeting Schedule
08:30 a.m. FAAME
11:30 a.m. LEGAL
01:30 p.m. Break
02:00 p.m. BOD

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1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: TBD
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: TBD

2. Roll Call

3. Determination of a Quorum

4. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. (As required by Gov. Code §54954.3(a))

5. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

- A. Report on Directors' Events Attended at Metropolitan's Expense **21-4296**

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| B. | Chair's Monthly Activity Report | 21-4297 |
| C. | General Manager's summary of activities | 21-4298 |
| D. | General Counsel's summary of activities | 21-4299 |
| E. | General Auditor's summary of activities | 21-4300 |
| F. | Ethics Officer's summary of activities | 21-4301 |
| G. | Presentation of 35-year Service Pin to Director John Morris, City of San Marino | 21-4317 |

**** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION ****

6. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

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| A. | Approval of the Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors for January 21, 23, and 29, 2025 and Board of Directors Meeting for February 11, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) | 21-4302 |
| B. | Nomination and Election of nonofficer members of the Executive Committee for two-year term effective March 11, 2025 | 21-4315 |
| C. | Approve Committee Assignments | |

7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

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| 7-1 | Award a \$407,740.66 procurement contract to Ireland Inc. (dba Core-Rosion Products) to furnish two sodium hypochlorite tanks for the Copper Basin Reservoir; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <u>21-4303</u> |
| 7-2 | Award procurement contracts in the amount of \$321,575 to Integrated 8a Solutions, Inc. for two 24-inch knife gate valves and in the amount of \$2,151,947 to Bailey Valve for two 24-inch sleeve valves for the Hollywood Tunnel pressure control structure; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <u>21-4304</u> |

- 7-3** Authorize an increase of \$1.0 million to a professional services agreement with Grid Subject Matter Experts, LLC for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$1.245 million for electric transmission planning and National Electric Reliability Corporation related electric reliability compliance services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-4305](#)
- 7-4** Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with City of San Buenaventura and Calleguas Municipal Water District for wheeling and emergency delivery of State Water Project water; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWA) [21-4307](#)
- 7-5** Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements to terminate six inactive Conjunctive Use Program agreements; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWA) [21-4308](#)
- 7-6** Authorize the General Manager to enter into a Stormwater for Recharge Pilot Program agreement with the City of Anaheim with a maximum amount up to \$980,000 for the State College Stormwater Tank Project; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWA) [21-4309](#)
- 7-7** Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with Coachella Valley Water District, Imperial Irrigation District, Palo Verde Irrigation District, and the City of Needles to allow water to be added to Lake Mead under U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program; the General Manager has determined the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWA) [21-4310](#)
- 7-8** Authorize the General Manager to execute a new 25-year ground license for telecommunications facilities with Verizon Wireless in the City of Winchester; the subject telecom site is located in the City of Winchester, identified as County of Riverside Assessor Parcel No 964-030-005-3; CEQA (FAAME) [21-4311](#)
- 7-9** Review and consider the County of Riverside Final Environmental Impact Report and Authorize the General Manager to execute a new thirty-year license agreement to Intersect Power, LLC, for renewable energy infrastructure purposes on Metropolitan fee-owned property in the County of Riverside and identified as Assessor Parcel Numbers 808-023-022, 808-023-030 (FAAME) [21-4312](#)

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- 7-12** Placeholder Admin Code Change Governance Changes (LC) [21-4365](#)

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

- 8-1** Authorize an increase of maximum amount payable under the contract with Richardson & Company LLP for auditing services related to State Water Project charges from \$5,125,000 to an amount not to exceed \$8,900,000 and extend the term by three years to March 31, 2028; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWA) [21-4306](#)
- 8-2** Approve Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency High Desert Groundwater Banking Program Agreement Amendment [CEQA] (FAAME) [21-4313](#)
- 8-3** Authorize Fleet Financing Program; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME) [21-4314](#)
- 8-4** Report on litigation in Ryan Tieggs v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Riverside County Superior Court Case No. CVPS2306176, and authorize increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the amount of \$300,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$825,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]. (LC) [21-4366](#)
- 8-5** Placeholder Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (LC) [21-4368](#)

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

9-1 Report on Conservation Program

21-4316

10. OTHER MATTERS

NONE

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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