

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Agenda

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Exec Committee

A. Ortega, Chair
J. Abdo, Board Vice Chair
M. Camacho, Board Vice Chair
S. Goldberg, Board Vice Chair
N. Sutley, Board Vice Chair
L. Fong-Sakai, Board Secretary
G. Cordero
D. Erdman
G. Gray
F. Jung
M. Luna
T. McCoy
B. Pressman
T. Quinn
M. Ramos
T. Smith

Executive Committee

Meeting with Board of Directors *

February 27, 2024

1:00 p.m.

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**Tuesday, February 27, 2024
Meeting Schedule**

**09:30 a.m. BOD WKSP
12:30 p.m. Break
01:00 p.m. Exec
02:00 p.m. Sp BOD**

MWD Headquarters Building - 700 N. Alameda Street - Los Angeles, CA 90012

Teleconference Locations:

Fullerton City Hall Council Chambers • 303 W. Commonwealth Avenue • Fullerton, CA 92832

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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. **OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS**
 - a. Chair's Report
 - b. General Manager's Report of Metropolitan Activities

Boardroom

- c. General Counsel's Report of Metropolitan Activities
- d. General Auditor's Report of Metropolitan Activities
- e. Ethics Officer's Report of Metropolitan Activities

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

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of January 23, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) [21-3047](#)

Attachments: [02272024 Exec 3A \(01232024\) Minutes](#)

- B. Approve draft Committee and Board meeting agendas and schedule for March 2024 [21-3048](#)

Attachments: [02272024 Exec 3B Draft Agenda Packet](#)

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

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

5. COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Report on the Colorado River Board Meeting [21-3050](#)

- b. Update and discussion regarding the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation’s development of post-2026 Colorado River reservoir operations guidelines and strategies for Lake Powell and Lake Mead. [Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation; based on existing facts and circumstances, including potential imposition of significant water use reductions in the Lower Basin under the regulatory authority of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation could lead to litigation among the United States and one or more Colorado River water users; there is a significant exposure to litigation against Metropolitan: unknown number of potential cases; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d) (2)] [21-3049](#)

Attachments: [02272024 Exec 5b Presentation Released Redacted](#)

6. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8. ADJOURNMENT

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THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

January 23, 2024

Chair Ortega called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Members present: Directors Abdo, Camacho, Cordero, Erdman, Fong-Sakai, Goldberg, Jung (teleconference posted location), Luna, McCoy, Ortega, Pressman, Quinn, Ramos, and Sutley (entered after roll call).

Members absent: Directors Chacon, Gray, and Smith.

Other Board members present: Directors Alvarez, Armstrong, Bryant, Dick, Garza, Kurtz, Lefevre (teleconference posted location), McMillan, Miller, Morris, and Seckel.

Committee staff present: Hagekhalil, Hudson, Salinas, Scully, Suzuki, Wheeler, and Upadhyay.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION

No members responded.

2. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

a. Subject: Chair's Report

Presented by: Chair Ortega

Chair Ortega stated that Director Chacon will be replaced as a director on the Metropolitan Board and thanked him for his service. He thanked the staff that worked on the Delta Counties Coalition Tour. The report on International Travel – Fourth Quarter 2023, October to December 2023 was posted. Lastly, that he received an invitation from Congresswoman Napolitano to greet the Vice President for her visit to California.

b. Subject: General Manager's Report of Metropolitan activities

Presented by: General Manager Adel Hagekhalil

General Manager Hagekhalil reported on the following:

- Update on climate change and the financial stress it is creating for Metropolitan.
- Overview of the dashboard and smart tracker
- Acknowledge Heather Collins, President of AWWA.
- Update on the briefing to the Colorado River Board
- Report on the comment letters received regarding the Water Quality Control Plan
- Report on the member agencies visits with Chair Ortega

c. Subject: General Counsel's report of Metropolitan activities

Presented by: General Counsel Marcia Scully

General Counsel Scully stated she had nothing to add to her report.

d. Subject: General Auditor's report of Metropolitan activities

Presented by: General Auditor Scott Suzuki

General Auditor Suzuki stated he had nothing to add to her report.

e. Subject: Ethics Officer's report of Metropolitan activities

Presented by: Ethics Officer Abel Salinas

Ethics Officer Salinas reported on the following:

- Visits to the Metropolitan facilities to update staff on ethics rules and how to contact the ethics office.

Chair Ortega announced that in the interest of time, the Committee will not hear the reports from Committee Chairs (Items f-l) and that Item 3B on the draft agenda packet would be approved as posted, with any additions or deletions.

Committee Chair Erdman reported that the subject on the Engineering, Operations & Technology Committee was revised as follows:

- Authorize increases in change order authority for three contracts to conduct urgent rehabilitation of prestressed concrete cylinder pipe on the Allen-McColloch Pipeline.

Committee Vice Chair Dick reported that the subject on the Finance, Audit, Insurance and Real Property Committee was revised as follows:

- Proposed biennial budget, which includes the Capital Investment Plan and revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26; proposed water rates and charges for calendar years 2025 and 2026 to meet revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26; ten-year forecast; and
- Cost of Service Report; and Set a public hearing on March 12, 2024 regarding the proposed water rates and charges for calendar years 2025 and 2026 necessary to meet the revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26.

Committee Chair Luna reported that the subject on the Legal and Claims Committee was revised as follows:

- Approve amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to adjust benefits for unrepresented employees to correspond with benefits provided to Metropolitan's management unit and to conform personnel regulations and the salary schedule for unrepresented employees to current law, practices, regulations, and agreements with the employee bargaining units; and
- Approve amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to modify the structure and duties of various committees; and

The following items have been added:

- In closed session, a report on Sierra Club et al. v. California Department of Water Resources and;
- An update on multiple new lawsuits challenging Department of Water Resources' Delta Conveyance Project Final Environmental Impact Report and Project Approval.

Committee Chair Quinn reported that the subject on the Finance, Audit, Insurance and Real Property Committee was revised as follows:

- Authorize the General Manager to: (1) secure one-year water transfers and water exchanges with various water districts for up to \$50 million from Water Supply Program and State Water Project budgets for such transfers; (2) secure storage and conveyance agreements with the Department of Water Resources and various water districts to facilitate these transfers; (3) grant final decision-making authority to the General Manager subject to the terms set forth in this letter

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS – ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting for November 28, 2023.

Chair Ortega asked Directors if there were any additions, corrections, or omissions on the minutes of the November 28, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting. None were made.

- B. Approve draft Committee and board meeting agendas, and schedule for February 2024. The February 2024 schedule was updated due to the number of committee items added to the schedule. A copy of the revised schedule was provided to the committee.

Chair Ortega called for the vote on Items 3A and 3B.

Director Pressman made a motion, seconded by Director Quinn, to approve the consent calendar Items 3A and 3B as listed.

The vote was:

- Ayes: Directors Abdo, Camacho, Cordero, Erdman, Fong-Sakai, Goldberg, Jung, Luna, McCoy, Ortega, Pressman, Quinn, Ramos, and Sutley.
- Abstention: None
- Recusal: None
- Absent: Chacon, Gray, and Smith.

The motion for Items 3A and 3B passed by a vote of 14 ayes; 0 noes; 0 abstention; and 3 absent.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

None

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

5. COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS

- b. Subject: Report on the Colorado River Board Meeting.
Presented by: Director Cordero

Director Cordero reported on the Colorado River Board Meeting.

- a. Subject: Colorado River Activities
Presented by: William Hasencamp, Manager of Colorado River Resources

Mr. Hasencamp reported on Colorado River activities.

- c. Subject: Review proposed amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to modify the structure and duties of various Committees.
Presented by: Chair Ortega

Chair Ortega reported on the proposed amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code.

The following Director(s) asked questions or made comments:

Director(s)

- 1. Kurtz

Chair Ortega responded to the Director'(s) comments or questions.

6. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Adán Ortega, Jr.
Chair of the Board

Draft

March 12, 2024

Committee and Board

Meeting

Agenda Packet



The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California



BOARD UPDATES

Schedule of Meetings – March 2024

Monday, March 11

- 9:30 a.m. Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee
- 12:00 p.m. Legislation and Communications Committee
- 1:00 p.m. Break
- 1:30 p.m. Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee
- 3:00 p.m. One Water and Stewardship Committee

Tuesday, March 12

- 8:30 a.m. Legal and Claims Committee
- 10:00 a.m. Finance and Asset Management Committee
- 1:00 p.m. Break
- 1:30 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, March 18

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes

Tuesday, March 26

- 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Pure Water SoCal and Regional Conveyance
- 11:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Demand Management and Conservation Programs and Priorities
- 1:00 p.m. Break
- 1:30 p.m. Executive Committee

Monday, March 27

- 1:30 p.m. Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes

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EOT Committee

- D. Erdman, Chair
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- G. Bryant
- B. Dennstedt
- S. Faessel
- L. Fong-Sakai
- M. Gualtieri
- R. Lefevre
- J. McMillan
- C. Miller
- J. Morris
- M. Petersen
- G. Peterson
- K. Seckel
- T. Smith

Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 11, 2024

9:30 a.m.

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- 12:00 p.m. Leg**
- 01:00 p.m. Break**
- 01:30 p.m. EOP**
- 03:00 p.m. OWS**

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2. **CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee for February 12, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-3076**

3. **CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-1** Award a \$1,754,000 contract to Granite Construction Company for pavement rehabilitation at the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt of otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-3079](#)
- 7-2** Award a \$892,552 procurement contract to Whipps Inc. for the fabrication and delivery of three stainless steel slide gate assemblies for the East Lake Skinner Bypass channel; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or not subject to CEQA [21-3080](#)
- 7-3** Award a \$1,779,174 procurement contract to Vogt Valves, Inc. for a 132-inch diameter butterfly valve to be installed at the Foothill Pump Station Intertie as part of water supply reliability improvements in the Rialto Pipeline service area; and authorize an increase of \$260,000 to an agreement with HDR Engineering Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$1,560,000 for design services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (This action is part of a series of projects that are being undertaken to improve the supply reliability for State Water Project dependent member agencies) [21-3081](#)
- 7-4** Authorize an increase of \$2,700,000 to an agreement with Tetra Tech Inc. for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$3,350,000 for final design services for improvements to the Station Light and Power Electrical System at Iron Mountain Pumping Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-3082](#)
- 7-5** Amend the Capital Investment Plan for fiscal years 2022/23 and 2023/24 to include two projects: (1) Sepulveda Feeder Pump Stations Stage 2, and (2) Inglewood Lateral Improvements; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (This action is part of a series of projects that are being undertaken to improve the supply reliability for State Water Project dependent member agencies.) [21-3083](#)
- 7-6** Authorize an increase of \$1.3 million to an existing agreement with Helix Environmental Planning Inc. for a new not to exceed amount of \$4.1 million to support the Pure Water Southern California Program environmental planning; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-3084](#)

- 7-7 Authorize an increase of \$320,000 to a purchase order with Total Transportation Logistics Inc. for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$540,000 for storage of filter valves for the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-3085](#)

**** 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 2023 **21-3086**
- b. Information Technology Roadmap and Spending **21-3087**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Engineering Services, Information Technology, and Water System Operations activities **21-3077**

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Pure Water Southern California and Regional Conveyance **21-3078**

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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Legislation and Communications Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

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- 2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- A.** Approval of the minutes of the Legislation and Communications Committee for January 8, 2024 (copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-3109**

- 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. Regional Survey on Water Conservation; Presented by Adam Probolsky - President of Probolsky Research **21-3107**
- b. Report on Activities from Washington, D.C. **21-3110**
- c. Report on Activities from Sacramento **21-3111**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. External Affairs activities **21-3112**

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- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee for February 13, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-3088**

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. Expenditures for external investigations **21-3089**
- b. Form 700 Annual Disclosure Training **21-3090**
- c. Equal Employment Opportunity Educational Update **21-3091**
- d. PLACEHOLDER Labor Negotiations Update (closed session) **21-3092**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Ethics Officer's report on monthly activities **21-3093**
- b. Equal Employment Opportunity and Human Resources activities **21-3094**

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One Water and Stewardship Committee - Hidden

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- 2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the One Water and Stewardship Committee for February 13, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-3095**

- 3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

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

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Proposed Interagency Local Supply Exchange Program [21-3099](#)

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Report on development of operational guidelines for the Colorado River: (1) The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Near-term Colorado River Operations (through 2026); and (2) The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's development of post-2026 Colorado River reservoir operations guidelines and strategies for Lake Powell and Lake Mead [Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation; based on existing facts and circumstances, including potential imposition of significant water use reductions in the Lower Basin under the regulatory authority of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation could lead to litigation among the United States and one or more Colorado River water users; there is a significant exposure to litigation against Metropolitan: unknown number of potential cases; a portion may be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)] **21-3098**
- b. Update on Water Surplus Drought Management **21-3102**
- c. Delta Levee Maintenance Funding **21-3130**

7. COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Report on the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority Meeting **21-3105**
- b. Report on Delta Conveyance Finance Authority Meeting **21-3131**
- c. Report on the Bay-Delta Ad Hoc Meeting **21-3106**

8. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Bay-Delta Resources, Colorado River Resources, Sustainability, Resilience and Innovation, and Water Resource Management activities **21-3097**

9. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Demand Management and Conservation Programs and Priorities **21-3096**

10. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

12. ADJOURNMENT

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The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Agenda

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L&C Committee

M. Luna, Chair
J. Garza, Vice Chair
M. Camacho
G. Cordero
L. Dick
C. Douglas
C. Kurtz
T. McCoy
C. Miller
G. Peterson
M. Ramos
K. Seckel

Legal and Claims Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 12, 2024

8:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, March 12, 2024
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. LC
10:00 a.m. FAM
01:00 p.m. Break
01:30 p.m. BOD**

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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 21-3113

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

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Legal and Claims Committee for February 13, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-3114

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

7-8 PLACEHOLDER Human Resources Matter

[21-3115](#)

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

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. PLACEHOLDER - PFAS

21-3116

b. PLACEHOLDER - Update on San Diego County Water Authority Litigation

21-3135

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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FAM Committee

T. Smith, Chair
L. Dick, Vice Chair
D. Alvarez
J. Armstrong
D. De Jesus
B. Dennstedt
L. Fong-Sakai
M. Gualtieri
J. McMillan
C. Miller
M. Petersen
B. Pressman
T. Quinn
K. Seckel

Finance and Asset Management Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 12, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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**Tuesday, March 12, 2024
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. LC
10:00 a.m. FAM
01:00 p.m. Break
01:30 p.m. BOD**

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

- 2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance and Asset Management Committee Meeting for February 12, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-3119**

- 3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

Boardroom

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

- 8-1** Authorize a new agricultural lease agreement with Lemhi Land & Cattle LLC, thereby allowing this existing lessee to continue farming on Metropolitan's fee-owned property in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta [Conference with real property negotiators; properties are approximately 3,007 gross acres of land in the County of Contra Costa: Assessor Parcel Nos. 023040027; 023040026; 023050001; 023050002; 023070011; 023070012; 023090004; 023090003; 023080010; 023080011; 023100007; 023100008; 023090001; 023100002; 023100004; 023100001; agency negotiators Anna Olvera, Kevin Webb and Kieran Callanan; negotiating parties: Gino Torlai dba Lemhi Land & Cattle, LLC; under negotiation: price and terms; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8] [21-3117](#)

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-3** Proposed biennial budget, which includes the Capital Investment Plan and revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26; proposed water rates and charges for calendar years 2025 and 2026 to meet revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26; ten-year forecast; and Cost of Service Report (Workshop #3) **21-3118**

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a.** Pure Water Southern California Cost Recovery Alternatives Update **21-3123**
- b.** Quarterly Financial Report **21-3124**
- c.** PLACEHOLDER Analysis of reserves **21-3125**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a.** Financial, Insurance, and Real Property activities **21-3120**

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a.** Report from Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling **21-3121**
- b.** Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling **21-3122**

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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Board of Directors - Hidden

March 12, 2024

1:30 PM

Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Meeting Schedule
08:30 a.m. LC 10:00 a.m. FAM 01:00 p.m. Break 01:30 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))

PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Public hearing regarding: the proposed water rates and charges for calendar years 2025 and 2026 necessary to meet the revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26 **21-3127**

5. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

- A. Report on Directors' Events Attended at Metropolitan's Expense **21-3052**

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| B. | Chair's Monthly Activity Report | 21-3053 |
| C. | General Manager's summary of activities | 21-3054 |
| D. | General Counsel's summary of activities | 21-3055 |
| E. | General Auditor's summary of activities | 21-3056 |
| F. | Ethics Officer's summary of activities | 21-3057 |

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

6. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

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| A. | Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for February 12, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) | 21-3051 |
| B. | Approve Committee Assignments | |
| C. | Nomination and Election of nonofficer members of the Executive Committee for the remaining two-year term effective March 12, 2024 and ending at the January 2025 Board Meeting | |

7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

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| 7-1 | Award a \$1,754,000 contract to Granite Construction Company for pavement rehabilitation at the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt of otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <u>21-3079</u> |
| 7-2 | Award a \$892,552 procurement contract to Whipps Inc. for the fabrication and delivery of three stainless steel slide gate assemblies for the East Lake Skinner Bypass channel; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <u>21-3080</u> |

- 7-3** Award a \$1,779,174 procurement contract to Vogt Valves, Inc. for a 132-inch diameter butterfly valve to be installed at the Foothill Pump Station Intertie as part of water supply reliability improvements in the Rialto Pipeline service area; and authorize an increase of \$260,000 to an agreement with HDR Engineering Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$1,560,000 for design services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (This action is part of a series of projects that are being undertaken to improve the supply reliability for State Water Project dependent member agencies) (EOT) [21-3081](#)
- 7-4** Authorize an increase of \$2,700,000 to an agreement with Tetra Tech Inc. for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$3,350,000 for final design services for improvements to the Station Light and Power Electrical System at Iron Mountain Pumping Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-3082](#)
- 7-5** Amend the Capital Investment Plan for fiscal years 2022/23 and 2023/24 to include two projects: (1) Sepulveda Feeder Pump Stations Stage 2, and (2) Inglewood Lateral Improvements; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (This action is part of a series of projects that are being undertaken to improve the supply reliability for State Water Project dependent member agencies.) (EOT) [21-3083](#)
- 7-6** Authorize an increase of \$1.3 million to an existing agreement with Helix Environmental Planning Inc. for a new not to exceed amount of \$4.1 million to support the Pure Water Southern California Program environmental planning; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-3084](#)
- 7-7** Authorize an increase of \$320,000 to a purchase order with Total Transportation Logistics Inc. for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$540,000 for storage of filter valves for the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-3085](#)
- 7-8** PLACEHOLDER Human Resources Matter (LC) [21-3115](#)

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

8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

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9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-1** Conservation Report **21-3058**
- 9-2** Proposed Interagency Local Supply Exchange Program (OWS) [21-3099](#)
- 9-3** Proposed biennial budget, which includes the Capital Investment Plan and revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26; proposed water rates and charges for calendar years 2025 and 2026 to meet revenue requirements for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26; ten-year forecast; and Cost of Service Report (Workshop #3) (FAM) **21-3118**

10. OTHER MATTERS

NONE

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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LTRPPBM Committee

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D. Alvarez
J. D. Armstrong
D. Erdman
S. Faessel
L. Fong-Sakai
M. Gualtieri
J. McMillan
T. Quinn
N. Sutley

Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling - Draft

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 18, 2024

9:00 a.m.

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**Monday, March 18, 2024
Meeting Schedule**

**09:00 a.m. LTRPPBM
10:15 a.m. Break
11:45 a.m. Lunch**

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

- 2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Process and Business Modeling Meeting for January 18, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-3064**

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

3. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS - CAMP4W TASK FORCE

- a. Member Agency Managers Task Force Members **21-3065**

Alex Rojas, Central Basin Municipal Water District
 Cesar Barrera, City of Santa Ana
 Nina Jazmadarian, Foothill Municipal Water District
 Shivaji Deshmukh, Inland Empire Utilities Agency
 Dave Pedersen, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District
 Anatole Falagan, Long Beach Water Department
 Anselmo Collins, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
 Harvey De La Torre, Municipal Water District of Orange County
 Dan Denham, San Diego County Water Authority
 Anthony Goff, Calleguas Municipal Water District
 Tom Love, Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
 Craig Miller, Western Municipal Water District
 Joe Mouawad, Eastern Municipal Water District
 Stacie Takeguchi, Pasadena Water and Power

- b. Training Workshop on Climate Adaptation and Scenario Planning **21-3066**

Session 1: Using Climate Science and Modeling
 - Question and Answer
 - Thought Exercise

Session 2: Scenario Planning
 - Question and Answer

Session 3: Climate Adaptation Planning
 - Question and Answer
 - Introduce Climate Planning Exercise and Breakout Session 1
 (Breakout into small groups: less than quorum)

4. ADJOURN TO 2:35 p.m., AFTER COMPLETION OF BREAKOUT SESSION 1

- c. Reconvene for Discussion / Reflection on Breakout exercises **21-3067**
 - Climate Planning Exercise and Breakout Session 2 (Breakout into small groups: less than quorum)

5. ADJOURN TO 3:35 p.m., AFTER COMPLETION OF BREAKOUT SESSION 2

- d. Reconvene for Discussion / Reflection on Breakout exercises **21-3068**

Session 4: Signposting and CAMP4W Adaptive Management
- Question and Answer

6. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8. ADJOURNMENT



Executive Committee

Report on USBR's development of post-2026 Colorado River Guidelines – ~~Closed Session~~ Released

~~Confidential~~ Item 5b

February 27, 2024

Item # 5b

Subject

Report on USBR's development of post-2026 Colorado River Guidelines – Closed Session

Purpose


The Lower Basin States will be submitting a proposed alternative to Reclamation for the post-2026 Draft EIS in March. Metropolitan staff worked with other agencies in California and the Lower Basin to craft the alternative. This presentation will give the board a pre-view of what to expect when the alternative is made public in March.

Next Steps

Following release of the Lower Basin Proposal, Metropolitan staff will provide a more detailed overview of the proposal at the March One Water and Stewardship Committee.

2007 Interim Guidelines

Effective through
December 31, 2025



THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON

Record of Decision

Colorado River Interim Guidelines for Lower Basin Shortages and the
Coordinated Operations for Lake Powell and Lake Mead

December 2007

Recommending Official:

Robert Johnson *December 13, 2007*
ROBERT JOHNSON Date
Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation

Approved:

Dirk Kempthorne *December 13, 2007*
DIRK KEMPTHORNE Date

MWD Benefited

Storage
Flexibility

Shortages Insufficient

Short-term Responses
Risks to System

Post-2026 Timeline



★ Expected Alternatives: (1) Lower Basin; (2) Upper Basin; (3) Alternatives from NGOs, Tribes

Lower Basin Alternative

Tenets of the Lower Basin Alternative

- Address supply-demand imbalance
- Powell release independent of LB uses
- Reductions based on total system contents
- Two reduction tiers:
 - Address structural deficit
 - Impacts from climate change
- Expands storage in Lake Mead; incentivizes conservation, augmentation

Addressing the Structural Deficit

REDACTED TO REMOVE CONFIDENTIAL
NEGOTIATION INFORMATION

	Reduction (AFY)	Reduction (%)
Arizona	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
California	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Nevada	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Mexico	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Total	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Alternative Still Under Development



Items of Continuing Discussion

- Sharing of climate change impacts
- Contractor level reductions
- Rules for Storing and Recovering Water
- Protection of Health and Safety Supply
- Funding Options

California Benefits from Consensus & Compromise

Decreases Litigation Risks

Decreases Risk of Unsupported Legislative Action

Provides Needed Flexibility and Tools

Next Steps



Alternative Submitted Next Week



Continue Refining Alternative



Develop Intrastate Agreements



Outreach to Mexico



Keep Door Open for 7-State
Consensus Plan

