

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.

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One Water and Adaptation Committee

Meeting with Board of Directors *

July 7, 2025

2:30 p.m.

Monday, July 7, 2025 Meeting Schedule

**09:00 a.m. EOT
11:00 a.m. LEG
12:45 p.m. Break
01:00 p.m. CWC
02:30 p.m. OWA**

Written public comments received by 5:00 p.m. the business day before the meeting is scheduled will be posted under the Submitted Items and Responses tab available here: <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx>.

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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))**

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

- 2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting One Water and Adaptation Committee for May 12, 2025** [**21-4769**](#)

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

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

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

9-4 Information on California Aqueduct Subsidence [21-4814](#)

9-5 Information on proposed inspection and vendor agreement for Metropolitan's conservation programs [21-4815](#)

9-6 Information on Local Supply Exchange Framework [21-4816](#)

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Update on Basin States Discussions Regarding Post-2026 Operational Guidelines [21-4813](#)

b. Update on Urban Water Management Plan [21-4819](#)

c. Update on Stormwater Benefits of Turf Replacement [21-4820](#)

d. Introduction to the CAMP4W Assessments and Initial Assessment of Pure Water [21-4821](#)

e. Quarterly Update on CAMP4W [21-4818](#)

f. Bay-Delta Science Summary Update [21-4812](#)

g. Quarterly Conservation Oral Update [21-4817](#)

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

a. Bay-Delta Resources activities [21-4770](#)
Colorado River Resources activities
Sustainability, Resilience and Innovation activities
Water Resources Management activities

Attachments: [07072025 OWA 7a Bay-Delta Resources Activities.pdf](#)
[07072025 OWA 7a Colorado River Resources Activities.pdf](#)

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Report from Subcommittee on Imported Water [21-4771](#)
- b. Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Imported Water [21-4772](#)

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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Bay-Delta Resources

• Bay-Delta Management Report

Summary

This report provides a summary of activities related to the Bay-Delta for May 15 – June 15, 2025.

Purpose

Informational

Detailed Report

Long-Term Delta Actions

Delta Conveyance Related Joint Powers Authorities

At the May 15th special board meeting, the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) Board authorized the Board President and/or Executive Director to issue letters of support for Governor Newsom's proposed trailer bills. These bills are intended to advance the modernization of critical water infrastructure through the Delta Conveyance Project by streamlining targeted state-level **administrative processes**, confirming funding authority, minimizing litigation delays, and facilitating construction efforts.

The DCA Finance Committee is currently reviewing the draft budget for fiscal year 2025/26. The proposed budget totals \$65.0 million, which includes \$5.1 million in unallocated reserves. The final budget is expected to be presented for DCA board approval at their June board meeting.

Sites Reservoir

At the Joint Reservoir Committee and Sites Authority Board meeting on May 16, 2025, the Executive Director was authorized to sign the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 Programmatic Agreement as an invited signatory.

The Reservoir Committee and Authority Board also authorized the Executive Director to sign the Master Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for the Sites Reservoir Project.

Near-Term Delta Actions

Delta Islands

Staff participated in interagency seed collection activities in preparation for the Webb Tract Wetland Restoration Project. Staff received confirmation that Webb Tract's Wetland Restoration Statutory Exemption for Restoration Projects concurrence application has completed CDFW regional staff review, and has been forwarded to CDFW Director Bonham for review and approval.

Staff completed zooplankton and carbon sampling of the floating wetlands on Bouldin Island.



Colorado River Resources

• Colorado River Management Report

Summary

This report provides a summary of activities related to management of Metropolitan's Colorado River resources for May 20–June 16, 2025.

Purpose

Informational

Attachments

[Draft 2026 Annual Operating Plan for Colorado River Reservoirs](#)

Detailed Report

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Begins 2026 Annual Operating Plan Consultation

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) held the first of three annual consultation meetings regarding its Annual Operating Plan for Colorado River Reservoirs (AOP) for 2026 (The link is attached above). Each year Reclamation prepares an AOP that reports on operations of Colorado River Reservoirs during the past year, and projects operations and releases for the current year based on current and projected reservoir elevations and hydrologic conditions throughout the Basin. The AOP provides Metropolitan with significant operational information regarding projected releases from Lake Powell to Lake Mead and whether the Lower Division States (California, Arizona and Nevada) will be at normal, surplus, or shortage conditions. Metropolitan uses information in the AOP to plan diversions, ICS creation and/or delivery, interstate banking determinations, and Drought Contingency Plan (DCP) Contributions. The draft 2026 AOP forecasts annual Lake Powell releases of 7.48 million acre-feet, shortages and DCP Contributions from Arizona and Nevada, and water savings contributions from Mexico.

Ted Cooke Nominated for Commissioner of Reclamation

On June 16, the former general manager of the Central Arizona Water Conservation District (CAWCD) was nominated by President Trump to lead the Bureau of Reclamation as its next commissioner. Metropolitan has a long working relationship with Mr. Cooke and his former agency. He was general manager of CAWCD, which operates the Central Arizona Project, from 2016 through 2023.

Salinity Control Forum Activities

In early June, staff participated in the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum meeting in Utah. The meeting included a one-day retreat to discuss potential reforms to the Salinity Control Program. Those potential reforms include consideration of including a water conservation component to the Program, changing the cost-share formula so that Arizona pays their fair share, and exploring new opportunities to reduce salinity through non-point source control by capturing salt from several saline springs in the Basin. The salinity of the Colorado River has been stable for the last several years, but there is concern that climate change could increase the River's salinity if the flow continues to decrease, so long-term salinity planning is important to the Forum.