

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 - Final - Revised 1

July 9, 2024

1:30 PM

Tuesday, July 9, 2024
Meeting Schedule

08:30 a.m. FAM
10:30 a.m. EIA
11:30 a.m. Break
12:00 p.m. EOP
01:30 p.m. BOD
02:30 p.m. Sp Exec

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1. **Call to Order**
 - a. Invocation: Director Stephen J. Faessel, City of Anaheim
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance: Director Barry D. Pressman, City of Beverly Hills
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 [21-3514](#)
- B. Chair's Monthly Activity Report [21-3515](#)
- C. General Manager's summary of activities [21-3516](#)
- D. General Counsel's summary of activities [21-3517](#)
- E. General Auditor's summary of activities [21-3518](#)
- F. Ethics Officer's summary of activities [21-3519](#)
- G. Presentation of Commendatory Resolution for Director Michael Gualtieri representing Central Basin Municipal Water District
- H. Presentation of Commendatory Resolution for Director Glen Peterson representing Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

**** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION ******6. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for June 11, 2024 and Special Board Meeting for June 13, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) [21-3520](#)
- B. Authorize the preparation of commendatory resolution honoring The Rancho California Water District for 2024 recipient of the Outstanding Public Service Announcement Emmy Awards "Be a Water Hero" Campaign. [ADDED ITEM 6/28/24] [21-3596](#)
- C. Authorize the preparation of commendatory resolution honoring Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District recipient of the American Water Works Association National 2024 Hydrant Hysteria Competition. [ADDED ITEM 6/28/24] [21-3597](#)
- D. Approve Committee Assignments

7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-1** Award a \$2,197,460 contract to J.F. Shea Construction Inc. for the replacement of a section of steel pipe on the Rialto Pipeline and rehabilitation of Service Connection CB-11; and authorize an increase of \$150,000 to an existing agreement with Brown and Caldwell for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$395,000 to provide technical support during construction; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-3523](#)
- Attachments:** [07092024 EOT 7-1 B-L](#)
- 7-2** Authorize an agreement with Arcadis, U.S. Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1.525 million for Data Management and Data Analytics Consulting & Implementation Services to implement Phase 1 of the Data Analytics project; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-3525](#)
- Attachments:** [07092024 EOT 7-2 B-L](#)
- 7-3** Authorize entering into a not-to-exceed \$401,500 funding agreement with the Inland Empire Utilities Agency under the Future Supply Actions Funding Program for the Chino Basin Advanced Water Purification Demonstration Facility; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [SUBJECT REVISED 6/28/24] (OWS) [21-3528](#)
- 7-4** Authorize entering into a not-to-exceed \$298,500 funding agreement with the Inland Empire Utilities Agency under the Future Supply Actions Funding Program for the Identifying and Removing PFAS Used in Well Drilling Pilot Study; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [SUBJECT REVISED 6/28/24] (OWS) [21-3529](#)
- 7-5** Authorize entering into a not-to-exceed \$500,000 funding agreement with the San Diego County Water Authority under the Future Supply Actions Funding Program for the Lake Henshaw Oxygenation Pilot Study; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [SUBJECT REVISED 6/28/24] (OWS) [21-3530](#)

- 7-6** Authorize entering into a not-to exceed \$499,802 funding agreement with the City of Long Beach under the Future Supply Actions Funding Program for the Groundwater Augmentation, Groundwater Collection System, and New Wells Site Study; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [SUBJECT REVISED 6/28/24] (OWS) [21-3531](#)
- 7-7** Authorize entering into a not-to-exceed \$500,000 funding agreement with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power under the Future Supply Actions Funding Program for the Headworks Reservoir Complex Direct Potable Reuse Pilot; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [SUBJECT REVISED 6/28/24] (OWS) [21-3532](#)
- 7-8** Authorize entering into a not-to-exceed \$500,000 funding agreement with Las Virgenes Municipal Water District under the Future Supply Actions Funding Program for the OceanWell Pilot Study; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [SUBJECT REVISED 6/28/24] (OWS) [21-3533](#)
- 7-9** Authorize the General Manager to grant a Permanent Easement to San Diego Gas & Electric for natural gas pipeline purposes on Metropolitan fee-owned property in the County of San Diego and identified as Assessor Parcel Number 102-650-065; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAM) [21-3534](#)

Attachments: [07092024 FAM 7-9 B-L](#)

7-10 Authorize the execution of an amendment to an existing lease with Nish Noroian Farms to increase the size of the leased premises from 759 acres to 1,760 acres of Metropolitan's fee-owned land in the Palo Verde Valley in Riverside County, California, and to make necessary associated changes. The additional proposed leasehold parcels are commonly known as Riverside County Assessor Parcels Numbers 833-060-004; 833-060-008; 833-060-018; 833-100-005; 833-100-007; 833-100-011; 833-100-012; 833-100-016; 833-100-017; 833-060-001; 833-060-024; 833-060-025; 827-190-003; 827-190-004; 827-190-005; 827-190-006; 827-190-007; 827-190-009; 827-190-010; 827-190-012; 833-060-026; 006-090-008; 006-090-009; 006-090-010; 006-090-011; 006-090-012; 006-090-013; 006-090-029; 006-120-082; 006-120-089; 006-150-065; 006-220-057. The General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with real property negotiators; agency negotiators: Kevin Webb and Kieran Callanan; negotiating parties: Linda D. Noroian dba Nish Noroian Farms; under negotiation: price and terms; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8] (FAM) [21-3535](#)

7-11 Authorize amending the existing agreement with Public Financial Management Asset Management, for an additional not to exceed amount of \$125,000 and an extended term of six months through December 31, 2024 for investment management services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [ADDED ITEM 6/28/24] (FAM) [21-3595](#)

8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

8-1 Authorize a \$600,000 increase to an existing agreement with J.F. Shea Construction Inc. for a new not to exceed amount of \$10.4 million to purchase long-lead equipment for the Sepulveda Feeder Pump Stations Project; the General Manager has determined 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 areas) (EOT) [21-3524](#)

Attachments: [07092024 EOT 8-1 B-L](#)

- 8-2** By a two-thirds vote, authorize payments of up to \$4.18 million for participation in the State Water Contractors for fiscal year 2024/25 and up to \$4.30 million for fiscal year 2025/26; the General Manager has determined the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWS) [21-3527](#)

Attachments: [07092024 OWS 8-2 B-L](#)

- 8-3** Report on Baker Electric, Inc. v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, et al., (Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV15612) regarding Metropolitan's CRA 6.9 kV Power Cables Replacement Project, Contract No. 1915; authorize an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract with Musick, Peeler & Garrett LLP, for legal services by \$750,000 to an amount not-to-exceed \$3,250,000; and authorize an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract with Exponent, Inc. for consulting services by \$120,000 to an amount not-to-exceed \$720,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are 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)]. [SUBJECT REVISED 6/28/24] (LC) [21-3537](#)

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

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-1** Conservation Report [21-3522](#)
- Attachments:** [07092024 BOD 9-1 Report](#)
- 9-2** Colorado River Housing Community Planning Update (EOT) [21-3536](#)
- 9-3** Report on SB 1255 (Durazo, D – Los Angeles): Public water systems: needs analysis: water rate assistance program (June 3, 2024) (Leg) [21-3590](#)

10. OTHER MATTERS

NONE

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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