



Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and Communications
Committee

Update on Inspection Trips

Item 7a
July 10, 2023

Program Overview

Authorization and Purpose

- Admin Code Sections 2610 - 2615
- Inform and educate on water issues and MWD's operations, programs and objectives
- Visual inspection of District and related facilities



Trip Planning

Sponsoring Trips

- Directors select trips and dates, invite guests
 - Elected and appointed officials
 - Business, environmental, community leaders
 - Interested citizens



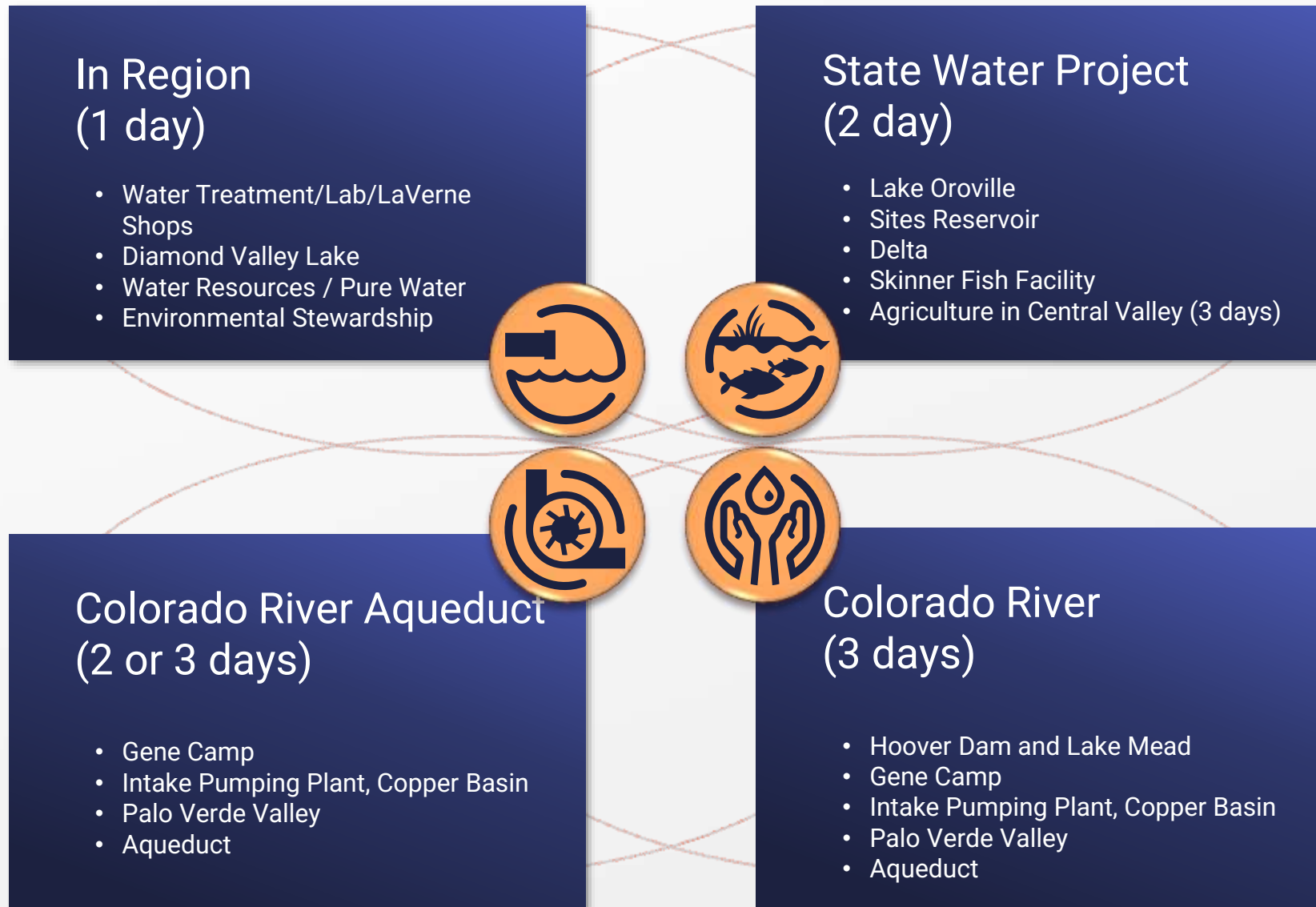
Trip Planning

Sponsoring Trips (cont'd)

- MWD Inspection Trip staff coordinate with directors, member agency staff
 - 2 months ahead – registration link provided
 - 1 month ahead – registration closes, airfare purchased, reservations confirmed



Trip Options



Learning from experts



Gift of Travel

FPPC Reporting

- California Political Reform Act
 - Government Code Sections 81000 – 91014
- Fair Political Practices Commission
 - CA Code of Regulations, Title 2, Division 6
Sections 18104-18998
- Advice from FPPC
- Consult with legal advisors

FPPC Reporting

Travel Expenses Paid by MWD

- Directors
 - Not reportable, not subject to annual gift limit
- Local public officials
 - Reportable (exceptions on a case-by-case basis)
 - Must be considered when determining conflict of interest
 - Not subject to annual gift limits

FPPC Reporting

Travel Expenses Paid by MWD (cont'd)

- Companion of a local official
 - Considered gift to public official
 - Reportable
 - Must be considered when determining conflict of interest
 - Subject to annual gift limits
- 30-day period for paying down value

