

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

ONE WATER AND ADAPTATION COMMITTEE

July 7, 2025

Chair Quinn called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m.

Members present: Directors Alvarez, Armstrong, Cordero, Erdman (teleconference posted location), Katz, Kurtz, Lewitt, McMillan, Miller, and Quinn.

Members absent: Director Ackerman, Gold, Pressman, and Shepherd Romey.

Other Board Members present: Directors Bryant, DeJesus (teleconference posted location) Faessel, Fellow, Jay, McCoy, Ortega, Ramos, Seckel, and Sutley.

Committee Staff present: Crosson, Goshi, Hasencamp, Horton, Munguia, Rubin, and Upadhyay.

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

Public Speakers included:

1. Debra Bloom, Accelerate Resiliency Los Angeles (ARLA), spoke in support of item 6c
2. Bruce Reznik, L.A WaterKeeper, spoke in support of item 6c
3. Arturo Garcia, Local Government Affairs/ Management Development Program, spoke in support of item 6c.
4. Patrick McDonough, San Diego Coast Keeper, spoke in support of item 6c

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS -- ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting One Water and Stewardship Committee for May 12, 2025

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

NONE.

Director Erdman made a motion, seconded by Director Miller, to approve the Consent Calendar consisting of item 2a.

The vote was:

Ayes: Directors Alvarez, Armstrong, Cordero, Erdman, Katz, Kurtz, Lewitt, McMillan, Miller, and Quinn.

Noes: None.

Abstentions: None.

Absent: Directors Ackerman, Gold, Pressman, and Shepherd Romey.

The motion for item 2a passed by a vote of 10 ayes, no noes, no abstentions, and 4 absent.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

NONE.

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

9-3 Subject: Information on California Aqueduct Subsidence [WITHDRAWN]

This item was withdrawn.

Item 9-5 was heard out of order due to a typographical error on the Chair's Agenda Script, where items 9-4 and 9-5 were numbered incorrectly.

9-5 Subject: Information on Local Supply Exchange Framework

Presented by: Tracy N. Abundez, Sr. Resource Specialist, Water Acquisition Team

Mr. Brandon J. Goshi, Manager, Water Resource Management, provided background information and introductory remarks.

Ms. Abundez's presentation described the proposed framework that would allow Metropolitan to facilitate the exchange of local supply among its member agencies.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

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| 1. Armstrong | 4. Kurtz |
| 2. Ortega | 5. Seckel |
| 3. Miller | |

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

9-4 Subject: Information on proposed inspection and vendor agreement for Metropolitan's conservation programs.

Presented by: Karina Sandique, Resource Specialist, Water Efficiency Team

Ms. Sandique gave a presentation on the proposed sole source agreement with WaterWise Consulting, Inc. for inspection and verification services for Metropolitan's conservation programs.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

1. Miller

Staff responded to Director Miller's question.

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Subject: Update on Basin States Discussions
Regarding Post-2026 Operation Guidelines

Presented by: Shanti Rossett, Special Projects Manager

Ms. Rossett gave an update on Basin States discussion regarding development of Post-2026 Operational Guidelines.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

1. Sutley
2. Seckel
3. Cordero
4. Katz
5. Fellow

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

b. Subject: Update on Urban Water Management Plan

Presented by: Brandon J. Goshi, Manager, Water Resource Management

Mr. Goshi provided a summarized oral update on staff's work and progress on the Urban Water Management Plan process.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

1. Seckel
2. Sutley

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

c. Subject: Update on Stormwater Benefits of Turf Replacement

Presented by: Krista Guerrero, Sr. Resource Specialist, Water Efficiency Team

Mr. Goshi provided brief background information and introductory comments.

Ms. Guerrero provided an update on the history of the Turf Replacement Program and Metropolitan's stacked incentive and co-benefit efforts. Ms. Guerrero also gave context for discussion following up on the May 2025 presentation from ARLA.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

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| 1. Quinn | 5. Armstrong |
| 2. Miller | 6. Kurtz |
| 3. Sutley | 7. Cordero |
| 4. Katz | 8. Seckel |

Chair Quinn requested that staff include alignment with Los Angeles' low impact development requirements in the next steps for stormwater pilot. She also requested that the next steps include equitable distribution of the pilot program.

Vice Chair Katz requested that staff continue talks with Metropolitan's partners and return to The Board in September for approval.

Director Kurtz requested that the distribution of the pilot program be available throughout Los Angeles County areas.

Chair Quinn left the meeting at 5:28 p.m. Vice Chair Katz presided over the rest of the meeting.

d. Subject: Quarterly Update on CAMP4W

Presented by: Liz Crosson, Chief Sustainability Resiliency & Innovation Officer

Ms. Crosson gave an update of CAMP4W progress and activities since the Board approved the Implementation Strategy in April 2025.

e. Subject: Climate Adaptation Master Plan (CAMP4W) Assessments

Presented by: Brad Coffey, Group Manager, Water Resource Management

Mr. Coffey gave a presentation on the initial assessment of the Pure Water project, and he introduced the CAMP4W assessment.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

1. Seckel
2. Fellow
3. Kurtz
4. Miller
5. Alvarez

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

- f. Subject: Bay-Delta Science Summary Update [DEFERRED]

This item was deferred.

- g. Subject: Quarterly Conservation Oral Update

Presented by: Elise Goldman, Manager, Water Efficiency Team

Ms. Goldman gave an update on conservation expenditures and activities and gave an overview of the additional conservation items that will be addressed through the rest of the year. This will include supporting Member Agencies in complying with regulations, and continued support for regional conservation and water efficiency.

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Subject: Bay-Delta Resources activities
Colorado River Resources activities
Sustainability, Resilience, and Innovation activities
Water Resource Management activities

Assistant General Manager John Bednarski stated that there was nothing to report beyond the written reports that were previously issued.

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Subject: Report from Subcommittee on Imported Water

Vice Chair Katz read a report of items that were discussed at the meeting held on June 23, 2025.

- b. Subject: Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Imported Water.

There was no discussion or direction from committee members.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be held on August 18, 2025

The meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

Tracy Quinn
Chair

Mel Katz
Vice Chair