

# 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.

## **OW&S Committee**

T. Quinn, Chair  
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## **One Water and Stewardship Committee - Final - Revised 1**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**January 13, 2025**

**2:00 p.m.**

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**Monday, January 13, 2025  
Meeting Schedule**

**09:00 a.m. EOT  
10:30 a.m. EOP  
01:30 p.m. Break  
02:00 p.m. OWS**

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**There will be No In-Person Participation Permitted. Participation is by teleconference only. See the teleconference information below.**

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\* The Metropolitan Water District's meeting of this Committee is noticed as a joint committee meeting with the Board of Directors for the purpose of compliance with the Brown Act. Members of the Board who are not assigned to this Committee may participate as members of the Board, whether or not a quorum of the Board is present. In order to preserve the function of the committee as advisory to the Board, members of the Board who are not assigned to this Committee will not vote on matters before this Committee.

- 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))**

- A. Public Hearing on Metropolitan's Achievements in Conservation, Recycling, and Groundwater Recharge [21-4132](#)  
(To participate via teleconference 1-833-548-0276 and enter meeting ID: 815 2066 4276)

**Attachments:** [01132025 OWS 1A Metropolitan's Achievements in Conservation, Recycling, and Groundwater Recharge Report](#)  
[01132025 OWS 1a Presentation](#)

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

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting One Water Stewardship Committee for December 9, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) [21-4106](#)

**Attachments:** [01132025 OWS 2A \(12092024\) Minutes](#)

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-2 Authorize the General Manager to enter into a funding agreement for the Disadvantaged Communities Leak Detection and Repair Program with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to implement phase two of the Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4126](#)

**Attachments:** [01142025 OWS 7-2 B-L](#)  
[01132025 OWS 7-2 Presentation](#)

- 7-3 Authorize: (1) renewal of the Municipal Water Quality Investigations Agreement between the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Contractors and participating urban State Water Project Contractors; and (2) renewal of the Municipal Water Quality Investigations Program Specific Project Agreement between the State Water Contractors and participating urban State Water Project Contractors; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4127](#)

**Attachments:** [01142025 OWS 7-3 B-L](#)  
[01132025 OWS 7-3 Presentation](#)

- 7-4** Authorize extension of Metropolitan's existing Colorado River System Conservation Agreement with U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to fund Metropolitan's Palo Verde Irrigation District Fallowing Program; and adopt CEQA determination that the environmental effects of the conservation efforts in Palo Verde Irrigation District are the subject of a proposed action that was previously addressed in various CEQA documents and related actions. [UPDATED SUBJECT 1/7/2025] [21-4165](#)

**Attachments:** [01142025 OWS 7-4 B-L](#)  
[01132025 OWS 7-4 Presentation](#)

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

**4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-1** Adopt a resolution to support a grant application selected to receive United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART: Applied Sciences Program funding for fiscal year 2023 for an amount totaling \$390,000; authorize Metropolitan's non-federal cost share of \$130,000; and authorize the General Manager to enter a contract with the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, subject to General Counsel approval; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4125](#)

**Attachments:** [01142025 OWS 8-1 B-L](#)  
[01132025 OWS 8-1 Presentation](#)

**5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 9-3** Information on developing State Water Project water management actions [21-4129](#)

**Attachments:** [01142025 OWS 9-3 B-L](#)  
[01132025 OWS 9-3 Presentation](#)

**6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a.** Report on Bay-Delta Regulatory Processes [21-4131](#)

**Attachments:** [01132025 OWS 6a Presentation](#)

- b.** Update on Bay-Delta Agricultural Leases [21-4135](#)

**Attachments:** [01132025 OWS 6b Presentation](#)

- c. Update on Basin States Discussions Regarding Post-2026 Operational Guidelines [21-4130](#)  
**Attachments:** [01132025 OWS 6c Presentation](#)
- d. Report on Process to Fund Community Enhancement Projects in the Palo Verde Valley [21-4169](#)  
**Attachments:** [01132025 OWS 6d Presentation](#)
- e. Update on Water Surplus and Drought Management [21-4134](#)  
**Attachments:** [01132025 OWS 6e Report](#)  
[01132025 OWS 6e Presentation \(Revised\)](#)
- f. Quarterly Update on Conservation [21-4133](#)  
**Attachments:** [01132025 OWS 6f Presentation](#)

## 7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Bay-Delta Resources activities [21-4107](#)  
Colorado River Resources activities  
Sustainability, Resilience, and Innovation activities  
Water Resources Management activities  
**Attachments:** [01142025 OWS 7a Bay-Delta Resources Activities](#)  
[01142025 OWS 7a Colorado River Resources Activities](#)  
[01132025 OWS 7a Sustainability, Resilience, and Innovation Activities](#)  
[01132025 OWS 7a Water Resources Management Activities](#)

## 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Report on the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority Meeting [21-4136](#)
- b. Report on Delta Conveyance Finance Authority Meeting [21-4137](#)
- c. Report on the Bay-Delta Ad Hoc Meeting [21-4138](#)

## 9. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Demand Management and Conservation Programs and Priorities [21-4139](#)

## 10. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

## **11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

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