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**May 12 & 13, 2025**

**Committee and Board Meeting**

**Agenda Packet**



**The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California**



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT  
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

# BOARD UPDATES

## Schedule of Meetings – May 2025

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### Monday, May 12

- 9:00 a.m. Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee
- 11:00 a.m. Legislation and Communications Committee
- 12:00 p.m. Break
- 12:30 p.m. Organization, Personnel, and Effectiveness Committee
- 1:30 p.m. One Water and Adaptation Committee

### Tuesday, May 13

- 8:30 a.m. Finance, Affordability, Asset Management and Efficiency Committee
- 10:15 a.m. Community and Workplace Culture Committee
- 11:30 a.m. Break
- 12:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting

### Tuesday, May 27

- 8:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Imported Water
- 10:00 a.m. Executive Committee
- 11:00 a.m. Break
- 11:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling
- 1:30 p.m. Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee Board Workshop

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## **EOT Committee**

D. Erdman, Chair  
S. Faessel, Vice Chair  
D. Alvarez  
G. Bryant  
J. Crawford  
B. Dennstedt  
L. Fong-Sakai  
J. Lewitt  
M. Luna  
J. McMillan  
C. Miller  
M. Petersen  
K. Seckel

## **Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**May 12, 2025**

**9:00 a.m.**

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**09:00 a.m. EOT  
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**\*\* CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION \*\***

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee for April 7, 2025 **21-4503**

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-1 Amend the Capital Investment Plan for Fiscal Years 2024/25 and 2025/26 to include the ozone contactor expansion joint improvements at the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4490**
- 7-3 Authorize on-call agreements with Hazen and Sawyer, Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., and Mott MacDonald Group Inc. in amounts not to exceed \$1 million each to support engineering planning for water system resiliency and energy planning projects; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4492**
- 7-4 Award a \$457,498 construction contract to IPI Construction to upgrade the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems in the control rooms at the Joseph Jensen Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is categorically exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4493**

**\*\* END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS \*\*****4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-1 Award a \$131 million procurement contract to Siemens Energy Inc. to furnish 35 high voltage power transformers; authorize the General Manager to execute change orders for the CRA transformer procurement contract up to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$42.5 million; and authorize an increase of \$6.5 million to an agreement with HDR Engineering Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$8.2 million for final design services to replace the high-voltage transformers at the five CRA pumping plants; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4489**

**5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 9-5 Colorado River Aqueduct High Voltage Transmission System – Affected Systems Mitigation Agreements **21-4491**

**6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Colorado River Aqueduct Operations 21-4535
- b. Update on Surface Water Storage Study 21-4504
- c. Integrated Strategy for Infrastructure Reliability 21-4505
- d. Quarterly Cybersecurity Update 21-4506  
[Conference with Metropolitan Director of Info Tech Services,  
Information Technology, Jacob Margolis, or designated agents on  
threats to public services or facilities; to be heard in closed session  
pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957(a)]

## 7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Engineering Services activities 21-4507  
Information Technology activities  
Water System Operations activities

## 8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

## 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

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## **LEG Committee**

J. Lewitt, Chair  
A. Fellow, VC  
Communication  
A. Kassakhian, VC  
Legislation  
L. Ackerman  
M. Camacho  
B. Dennstedt  
G. Gray, Emeritus  
F. Jung  
M. Katz  
M. Luna  
M. Ramos  
G. Shepherd Romey

## **Legislation and Communications Committee**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**May 12, 2025**

**11:00 a.m.**

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

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

- A Approval of the minutes of the Legislation and Communications Committee for April 7, 2025 **21-4526**

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

None

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

**4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

**5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS****6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Update on Community Partnering Program. **21-4527**
- b. Report on Activities from Washington, D.C. **21-4528**
- c. Report on Activities from Sacramento **21-4529**

**7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS**

- a. External Affairs activities **21-4530**

**8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS****10. ADJOURNMENT**

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G. Bryant, Vice Chair  
L. Ackerman  
B. Dennstedt  
C. Douglas  
D. Erdman  
S. Faessel  
M. Katz  
J. Lewitt  
J. McMillan  
M. Ramos  
N. Sutley

## **Organization, Personnel, and Effectiveness Committee**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**May 12, 2025**

**12:30 p.m.**

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Organization, Personnel, and Effectiveness Committee for April 7, 2025 **21-4531**

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

**\*\* END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS \*\*****4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

**5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 9-3 Recurrent Category E Employment Work Schedule Pilot Program Status Update and Next Steps **21-4486**

**6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Human Resources Overview **21-4532**  
b. Quarterly Update on 2024 Workplace Assessment **21-4533**

**7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS**

- a. Human Resources activities **21-4534**  
Safety, Security, and Protection activities

**8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS****10. ADJOURNMENT**

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### OWA Committee

T. Quinn, Chair  
M. Katz, Vice Chair  
L. Ackerman  
D. Alvarez  
J. Armstrong  
G. Cordero  
D. Erdman  
M. Gold  
C. Kurtz  
J. Lewitt  
J. McMillan  
C. Miller  
B. Pressman  
G. Shepherd Romey

### **One Water and Adaptation Committee**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**May 12, 2025**

**1:30 p.m.**

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

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting One Water and Adaptation Committee for April 7, 2025 **21-4521**

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-6 Authorize an amendment to LRP Agreement to extend the start of operation deadline for San Diego Pure Water North City Project Phase 1; adopt CEQA determination that the proposed action was previously addressed in the City of San Diego's adopted 2018 Final EIR/EIS and that no further CEQA review is required **21-4499**

**\*\* END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS \*\*****4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-5 Authorize the General Manager to amend the Delivery and Exchange Agreement between Metropolitan and Coachella for 35,000 acre-feet; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4498**

**5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

**6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Advancing Resilience through Distributed Stormwater Capture and Conservation [PANEL NAMES AND TITLES] **21-4522**
- b. Climate Action Plan Annual Update **21-4523**
- c. Update on Water Surplus Drought Management **21-4524**

**7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS**

- a. Bay-Delta Resources activities **21-4525**  
Colorado River Resources activities  
Sustainability, Resilience and Innovation activities  
Water Resources Management activities

**8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS****10. ADJOURNMENT**

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D. Alvarez, VC Budget  
J. Armstrong  
G. Bryant  
B. Dennstedt  
L. Fong-Sakai  
J. McMillan  
M. Petersen  
B. Pressman  
T. Quinn  
K. Seckel

## **Finance, Affordability, Asset Management, and Efficiency Committee**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**May 13, 2025**

**8:30 a.m.**

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance, Affordability, Asset Management, and Efficiency Committee Meeting for April 8, 2025 **21-4512**

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-5 Approve and authorize the distribution of Appendix A for use in the issuance and remarketing of Metropolitan's Bonds; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4494**

**\*\* END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS \*\*****4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-2 Adopt resolution that (1) authorizes the execution and delivery of an amended and restated agreement between Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency and Metropolitan for the High Desert Water Bank Program, (2) approves the project financing, and (3) authorizes the General Manager and the Assistant General Manager/Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to negotiate, execute, and deliver various related agreements and documents; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4495**
- 8-3 Adopt a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of a Master Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement and separate schedules thereto for the acquisition, financing, and leasing of certain equipment for the public benefit related to the replacement of a portion of Metropolitan's existing fleet of zero-emission vehicles, internal combustion engine vehicles, and other equipment; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4496**
- 8-4 Adopt resolution to continue Metropolitan's Water Standby Charge for fiscal year 2025/26; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4497**

**5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 9-1 Renewal Status of Metropolitan's Property and Casualty Insurance Program **21-4536**

**6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Overview of potential drivers of the next biennium budget **21-4514**
- b. Quarterly Investment Activities Report **21-4515**

- c. Bond Financing Overview (SB 450) 21-4516
- d. Quarterly Financial Report 21-4517

## **7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS**

- a. Finance, Affordability, Asset Management, and Efficiency activities 21-4518

## **8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

- a. Report from Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling 21-4519
- b. Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling 21-4520

## **9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

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G. Cordero, Vice Chair  
B. Dennstedt  
S. Faessel  
L. Fong-Sakai  
G. Gray, Emeritus  
M. Luna  
J. McMillan  
T. Phan  
M. Ramos  
K. Seckel

## **Community and Workplace Culture Committee**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**May 13, 2025**

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Community and Workplace Culture Committee for April 8, 2025 **21-4508**

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-1 Approve amending the list of Metropolitan officials required to take AB 1234 state ethics training to include all Form 700 filers; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-4485**

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

**4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

**5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

**6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Ethics Education **21-4509**

**7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS**

- a. Ethics Officer's report on monthly activities **21-4510**
- b. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion activities **21-4511**  
Equal Employment Opportunity activities

**8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

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# 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 - Hidden

**May 13, 2025**

**12:00 PM**

**Tuesday, May 13, 2025  
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. FAAME  
10:15 a.m. CWC  
11:30 a.m. Break  
12:00 p.m. BOD**

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- 1. Call to Order**
  - a. Invocation: TBD
  - b. Pledge of Allegiance: TBD
- 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))**

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

- a. Public Hearing to receive staff and recognized employee organizations presentations on the status of job vacancies and recruitment/retention efforts, as required by Government Code § 3502.3 (Assembly Bill 2561), and to receive public comment. **21-4537**

## **5. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS**

- A. Report on Directors' Events Attended at Metropolitan's Expense **21-4478**
- B. Chair's Monthly Activity Report **21-4479**
- C. General Manager's summary of activities **21-4480**
- D. General Counsel's summary of activities **21-4481**
- E. General Auditor's summary of activities **21-4482**
- F. Ethics Officer's summary of activities **21-4483**

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

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for April 8, 2025 **21-4484**
- B. Approve Committee Assignments

## **7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-1 Approve amending the list of Metropolitan officials required to take AB 1234 state ethics training to include all Form 700 filers; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (CWC) **21-4485**
- 7-2 Amend the Capital Investment Plan for Fiscal Years 2024/25 and 2025/26 to include the ozone contactor expansion joint improvements at the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) **21-4490**

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| <b>7-3</b> | Authorize on-call agreements with Hazen and Sawyer, Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., and Mott MacDonald Group Inc. in amounts not to exceed \$1 million each to support engineering planning for water system resiliency and energy planning projects; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <b>21-4492</b> |
| <b>7-4</b> | Award a \$457,498 construction contract to IPI Construction to upgrade the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems in the control rooms at the Joseph Jensen Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is categorically exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT)  | <b>21-4493</b> |
| <b>7-5</b> | Approve and authorize the distribution of Appendix A for use in the issuance and remarketing of Metropolitan's Bonds; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME)   | <b>21-4494</b> |
| <b>7-6</b> | Authorize an amendment to LRP Agreement to extend the start of operation deadline for San Diego Pure Water North City Project Phase 1; adopt CEQA determination that the proposed action was previously addressed in the City of San Diego's adopted 2018 Final EIR/EIS and that no further CEQA review is required (OWA)  | <b>21-4499</b> |

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

## **8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

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| <b>8-1</b> | Award a \$131 million procurement contract to Siemens Energy Inc. to furnish 35 high voltage power transformers; authorize the General Manager to execute change orders for the CRA transformer procurement contract up to an aggregate amount not to exceed \$42.5 million; and authorize an increase of \$6.5 million to an agreement with HDR Engineering Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$8.2 million for final design services to replace the high-voltage transformers at the five CRA pumping plants; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <b>21-4489</b> |
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- 8-2** Adopt resolution that (1) authorizes the execution and delivery of an amended and restated agreement between Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency and Metropolitan for the High Desert Water Bank Program, (2) approves the project financing, and (3) authorizes the General Manager and the Assistant General Manager/Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer to negotiate, execute, and deliver various related agreements and documents; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME) **21-4495**
- 8-3** Adopt a resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of a Master Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement and separate schedules thereto for the acquisition, financing, and leasing of certain equipment for the public benefit related to the replacement of a portion of Metropolitan's existing fleet of zero-emission vehicles, internal combustion engine vehicles, and other equipment; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME) **21-4496**
- 8-4** Adopt resolution to continue Metropolitan's Water Standby Charge for fiscal year 2025/26; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME) **21-4497**
- 8-5** Authorize the General Manager to amend the Delivery and Exchange Agreement between Metropolitan and Coachella for 35,000 acre-feet; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWA) **21-4498**

## **9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 9-1** Report on Conservation Program **21-4488**
- 9-2** Annual Update on Vacancies AB2561 (CWC) **21-4487**
- 9-3** Recurrent Category E Employment Work Schedule Pilot Program Status Update and Next Steps (OPE) **21-4486**
- 9-4** Renewal Status of Metropolitan's Property and Casualty Insurance Program (FAAME) **21-4536**
- 9-5** Colorado River Aqueduct High Voltage Transmission System – Affected Systems Mitigation Agreements (EOT) **21-4491**

## **10. OTHER MATTERS**

NONE

## **11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

## **12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **13. ADJOURNMENT**

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