

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

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.

Agenda

Board of Directors - Final - Revised 3

May 13, 2025

12:00 PM

Tuesday, May 13, 2025 Meeting Schedule
08:00 a.m. FAAME 10:30 a.m. CWC 11:30 a.m. Break 12:00 p.m. BOD

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1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: Director James Crawford, Central Basin Municipal Water District
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: Director Cynthia Kurtz, City of Pasadena

2. Roll Call

3. Determination of a Quorum

PUBLIC HEARING

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](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD Public Hearing AB 2561 Report](#)
[05132025 BOD Public Hearing Presentation \(Revised\)](#)
[05132025 BOD Public Hearing ACE Presentation](#)
[05132025 BOD Public Hearing AFSCME Presentation](#)

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

[21-4478](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD 5A Report \(Revised\)](#)

B. Chair's Monthly Activity Report

[21-4479](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD 5B Report](#)

C. General Manager's summary of activities

[21-4480](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD 5C Report](#)

D. General Counsel's summary of activities

[21-4481](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD 5D Report](#)

E. General Auditor's summary of activities

[21-4482](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD 5E Report](#)

F. Ethics Officer's summary of activities

[21-4483](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD 5F Report](#)

**** 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](#)

Attachments: [05122025 BOD 6A \(04082025\) Minutes](#)

- 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](#)

Attachments: [05132025 CWC 7-1 B-L \(Revised Attachment\)](#)
[05132025 CWC 7-1 Presentation](#)

- 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](#)

Attachments: [05132025 EOT 7-2 B-L](#)
[05122025 EOT 7-2 Presentation](#)

- 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 (EOT) [21-4492](#)

Attachments: [05132025 EOT 7-3 B-L](#)
[05122025 EOT 7-3 Presentation](#)

- 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 (EOT) [21-4493](#)

Attachments: [05132025 EOT 7-4 B-L \(Revised Attachment\)](#)
[05122025 EOT 7-4 Presentation](#)

- 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 (FAAME) [21-4494](#)

Attachments: [05132025 FAAME 7-5 B-L](#)
[05132025 FAAME 7-5 Presentation](#)

- 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 (OWA) [21-4499](#)

Attachments: [05132025 OWA 7-6 B-L](#)
[05122025 OWA 7-6 Presentation](#)

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

8. 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 (EOT) [21-4489](#)

Attachments: [05132025 EOT 8-1 B-L](#)
[05122025 EOT 8-1 Presentation](#)

- 8-2** Adopt CEQA determination that the proposed action was previously addressed in the adopted 2017 Mitigated Negative Declaration, Addenda Nos. 1, 2 and 3 and related CEQA actions; and 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. [REVISED SUBJECT on 5/2/2025] (FAAME) **21-4495**

Attachments: [05132025 FAAME 8-2 B-L](#)
[05132025 FAAME 8-2 Presentation](#)
[9374 Resolution.pdf](#)

- 8-3** Adopt a resolution authorizing a master equipment lease-purchase program of up to \$35 million outstanding balance from time to time and providing for related documents and actions; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME) **21-4496**

Attachments: [05132025 FAAME 8-3 B-L](#)
[05132025 FAAME 8-3 Presentation](#)
[9375 Resolution.pdf](#)

- 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**

Attachments: [05132025 FAAME 8-4 B-L](#)
[05132025 FAAME 8-4 Presentation](#)
[9376 Resolution.pdf](#)

- 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**

Attachments: [05132025 OWA 8-5 B-L \(Revised Attachment\)](#)
[05132025 OWA 8-5 Presentation](#)

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-1 Report on Conservation Program [21-4488](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD 9-1 Report](#)

- 9-2 Report on status of job vacancies and recruitment/retention efforts as required by Government Code § 3502.3 (Assembly Bill 2561). [WITHDRAWN on 5/5/2025] (CWC) [21-4487](#)

- 9-3 Recurrent Category E Employment Work Schedule Pilot Program Status Update and Next Steps (OPE) [21-4486](#)

Attachments: [05132025 OPE 9-3 B-L](#)
[05132025 OPE 9-3 Presentation](#)

- 9-4 Renewal Status of Metropolitan's Property and Casualty Insurance Program (FAAME) [21-4536](#)

Attachments: [05132025 FAAME 9-4 B-L](#)
[05132025 FAAME 9-4 Presentation](#)

- 9-5 Colorado River Aqueduct High Voltage Transmission System – Affected Systems Mitigation Agreements (EOT) [21-4491](#)

Attachments: [05132025 EOT 9-5 B-L](#)
[05122025 EOT 9-5 Presentation](#)

10. OTHER MATTERS

- 10-1 Update on General Manager Recruitment Process. [ADDED SUBJECT on 5/5/2025] [21-4560](#)

Attachments: [05132025 BOD 10-1 Presentation](#)

- 10-2 Public Employment – General Manager [To be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957]. [REVISED SUBJECT on 5/8/2025] [21-4561](#)

- 10-3 Authorize General Manager selection process, including direction on hiring a recruiter; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt and not subject CEQA. [ADDED SUBJECT 5/8/2025] [21-4564](#)

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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