

**THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES**

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMPORTED WATER**

**February 24, 2026**

Committee Chair Gold called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Members present: Committee Chair Gold, Committee Vice Chair Ackerman, Alvarez, Camacho (entered after roll call), Crane, De Jesus (teleconference posted location), Denham (alternate teleconferencing), Garza, Kurtz (entered after roll call), Lewitt (entered after roll call) and Miller (entered after roll call).

Members absent: Directors Cordero and McMillan.

Other Board Members present: Directors Erdman, Faessel, Fong-Sakai, Jay, Quinn, Seckel, Shepherd Romey, and Board Vice Chair Sutley.

Committee Staff present: Bednarski, Crosson, Deshmukh, Dunbar, Goshi, Hasencamp, Hawk, Horton, Hudson, and Rubin.

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

Barbara Barrigan from Restore the Delta commented on item 3b.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION**

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

**A.** Approval of the Minutes of the Subcommittee on Imported Water for January 27, 2026.

Director Miller made a motion, seconded by Director Garza, to approve the consent calendar consisting of item 2A.

The vote was:

Ayes: Directors Ackerman, Alvarez, Crane, De Jesus, Denham, Garza, Gold, and Miller.

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Camacho, Cordero, Kurtz, Lewitt and McMillan.

The motion for item 2A passed by a vote of 8 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstentions, and 5 absent.

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

**3. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Subject: Report on Colorado River Board Meeting  
Presented by: None

This item was deferred to next month's Imported Water Subcommittee meeting.

- b. Subject: Report on the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority Meeting  
Presented by: Director Juan Garza

Director Garza reported on the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority meeting that took place on February 19, 2026.

- c. Subject: Update on Colorado River negotiations and protection of Metropolitan's Colorado River water rights  
Presented by: Michael Hughes, Senior Deputy General Counsel  
Shanti Rosset, Colorado River Resources Policy Manager  
Laura Lamdin, Supply Acquisition Team Manager

The committee heard the item in closed session. No action was taken.

**4. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

None.

**5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting will be held on March 24, 2026

The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

Mark Gold  
Chair