

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP ON ENGINEERING, OPERATIONS, AND TECHNOLOGY

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

July 22, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Erdman called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

Director Ramos indicated she is participating under AB 2449 “just cause” due to caretaking for a loved one. Director Ramos appeared by audio and on camera.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Director Alvarez, West Basin Municipal Water District.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Executive Secretary Hudson administered the roll call.

Board Members present: Ackerman, Alvarez, Armstrong, Bryant, Camacho, Cordero, Crawford, De Jesus (teleconference posted location), Dennstedt, Dick (entered after roll call), Erdman, Faessel, Fellow, Fong-Sakai (teleconference posted location), Garza (entered after roll call), Gold (entered after roll call), Gray (teleconference posted location, entered after roll call), Jay, Kurtz, Lewitt, Luna, McCoy, McMillan, Miller, Ortega, Pressman, Quinn (entered after roll call) Ramos (AB 2449 “just cause”), Seckel, and Shepherd Romey

Board Members absent: Directors Douglas, Goldberg, Jung, Kassakhian, Katz, Petersen, Phan, and Sutley

Director Ramos announced during roll call that no one was in the room with her.

3. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Board Executive Secretary Hudson determined that a quorum was present.

4. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on Matters within the Board's jurisdiction.

Name	Affiliation	Item
1. Darcy Burke	Elsinore Valley MWD	5a & 5b

Committee Chair Erdman made introductory remarks.

Director Pressman recused himself from item 5a and left the meeting.

5. WORKSHOP ITEMS

Directors Camacho, Gray, Garza, Gold, and Quinn entered the meeting.

- a. Subject: Pure Water Southern California Considerations for Member Agency Deliveries

Presented by: Matt Hacker, Senior Resource Specialist

Ms. Hattar introduced Mr. Hacker who provided an overview of the regional benefits of the Pure Water Southern California program and outlined key elements of the Member Agency term sheets under development. The presentation summarized terms relevant to Member Agencies that will directly receive water from the program, including local facility needs, groundwater monitoring responsibilities, and potential effects on the Water Supply Allocation.

The following Directors made comments or asked questions:

1. Seckel
2. Ortega
3. Miller
4. Faessel
5. Gold
6. Shepherd Romey
7. Kurtz
8. Seckel
9. Jay
10. Fellow

Staff responded to the directors' questions and comments.

Director Pressman returned to the meeting.

- b. Subject: Update on research and framework for a community benefits program for Pure Water Southern California

This item was deferred

6. FOLLOW UP ITEMS

Director Fellow requested that staff provide a chart comparing costs of State Water Project, desalination, and Pure Water Southern California, and how many acre feet each can generate.

Director Seckel requested that staff provide information on phasing and on the costs and obligations associated with laterals to connect Pure Water Southern California with member agency facilities.

Director Jay requested that staff provide more definitions and information to help the Board make an appropriate decision on the proposed agreements.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

Meeting adjourned at 1:21 p.m.

DENNIS ERDMAN
COMMITTEE CHAIR