

# 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.

## Special Joint Meeting of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors - Final - Revised 3

**November 18, 2024**

**1:00 PM**

<b>Monday, November 18, 2024 Meeting Schedule</b>
09:00 a.m. EOT
11:00 a.m. Break
11:30 a.m. Legal
01:00 p.m. Sp Jt OWS and BOD

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- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Determination of a Quorum**
- 4. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board limited to the items listed on the agenda. (As required by Gov. Code §54954.3(a))**

### One Water and Stewardship Committee

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

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

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the One Water and Stewardship Committee for October 7, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) [21-3936](#)

**Attachments:** [11182024 Jt. OWS & BOD 5A \(10072024\) Minutes](#)

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-3 Authorize the General Manager to enter into Reverse-Cyclic Program agreements with participating agencies to defer deliveries of up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2024 and up to 50,000 acre-feet in calendar year 2025; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-3957](#)

**Attachments:** [11192024 OWS 7-3 B-Lpdf](#)  
[11182024 OWS 7-3 Presentation](#)

- 7-4 Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to implement phase two of the Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program; and adopt CEQA determination that the environmental effects of the Antelope Valley-East Kern High Desert Water Bank and the Turf Replacement Programs were previously addressed in various CEQA documents and related actions. [ACTION ITEM DEFERRED REPORT AT OWS ITEM 9e 11/15/2024] [21-3958](#)

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

**7. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

**8. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 9-2 Update on the funding request from the Department of Water Resources for Metropolitan's share of the Delta Conveyance Project planning and pre-construction costs for 2026 and 2027 and proposed amendment to existing funding agreement [21-3959](#)

**Attachments:** [11192024 OWS 9-2 B-L](#)  
[11182024 OWS 9-2 Presentation](#)

**9. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Update on Conservation as a California Way of Life [21-3974](#)  
**Attachments:** [11182024 OWS 9a Report](#)
- b. Update on Water Surplus and Drought Management [21-3975](#)  
**Attachments:** [11202024 OWS 9b Report](#)
- c. Update on Basin States Discussions Regarding Post-2026 Operational Guidelines [21-3976](#)  
**Attachments:** [11182024 OWS 9c Presentation](#)
- d. Draft Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water Policy Framework [21-3977](#)  
**Attachments:** [11182024 OWS 9d C-L](#)  
[11182024 OWS 9d Presentation](#)
- e. Report on agreements with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to implement phase two of the Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program. [ADDED ITEM 11/15/2024] [21-4078](#)  
**Attachments:** [11182024 OWS 9e Presentation](#)

## 10. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Bay-Delta Resources activities [21-3937](#)  
Colorado River Resources activities  
Sustainability, Resilience and Innovation activities  
Water Resource Management activities  
**Attachments:** [11192024 OWS 10a Bay-Delta Resources Activities](#)  
[11192024 OWS 10a Colorado River Resources Activities](#)  
[11182024 OWS 10a Sustainability, Resilience, and Innovation Activities](#)

## 11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Report on the Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority Meeting [21-3938](#)
- b. Report on Delta Conveyance Finance Authority Meeting [21-3939](#)
- c. Report on the Bay-Delta Ad Hoc Meeting [21-4017](#)

## 12. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Demand Management and Conservation Programs and Priorities [21-3941](#)

### 13. ADJOURN TO BOARD WORKSHOP

#### SPECIAL BOARD ITEMS

- a. Reconvene - Workshop on Department of Water Resources Request for Delta Conveyance Project Planning Funds [21-4006](#)
- b. Panel One – Delta and Tribal Interests [UPDATED SUBJECT 11/14/2024] [21-4008](#)

Panelist:

Barbara Barrigan-Parrilla, Executive Director, Restore the Delta

Max Gomberg, Water Policy Advisor

Supervisor Patrick Hume, Chair, Delta Counties Coalition

Malissa Tayaba, Vice-Chairperson of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians

**Attachments:** [11182024 Sp Jt. OWS and BOD 13b #1 Panelist Barrigan-Parilla Presentation](#)  
[11182024 Sp Jt. OWS and BOD 13b #2 Panelists Gomberg & Tabaya Presentation](#)

- c. Panel Two - Business and Labor. [UPDATED SUBJECT 11/14/2024] [21-4007](#)

Panelist:

Adrian Covert, Senior Vice President, Public Policy for the Bay Area Council

Tracy Hernandez, Chief Executive Officer, Los Angeles County Business Federation "BizFed"

Jon Switalski, Executive Director, Rebuild SoCal Partnership

Charley Wilson, Executive Director, Southern California Water Coalition

- d. Roundtable discussion with representatives from environmental and community organizations, tribal leadership, business and labor sectors. [ADDED SUBJECT 11/14/2024] [21-4074](#)

## **14. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

## **15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **16. ADJOURNMENT**

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