THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

One Water and Adaptation Committee

July 13, 2026

Committee Chair Quinn called the meeting to order at 1:57 p.m.

Members present: Alvarez, Crane, Denham (teleconference posted location), Erdman, Gold (teleconference posted location), Katz, Kurtz, Lewitt, Miller, Pressman (teleconference posted location), Quinn, Seckel, and Shepherd Romey.

Members absent: Director Ackerman and Cordero.

Other Board Members present: Directors Bryant, De Jesus (teleconference posted location), Dennstedt, Faessel, Fellow, Fong-Sakai, Jay, Ortega, Pakala, Paule, and Sutley.

Committee Staff present: Bednarski, Deshmukh, Hasencamp, Hudson, Rubin, Schlotterbeck, Scully, and Winn.

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

None

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION

2. COMMITTEE ACTION (ONLY)

A. Approval of the Minutes of the One Water and Adaptation Committee for June 8, 2026.

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

The vote was:

Ayes:	Directors Alvarez, Crane, Denham, Erdman, Gold, Kurtz, Lewitt, Miller, Pressman, Quinn, Seckel, and Shepherd Romey.
Noes:	None
Abstention:	Director Katz
Absent:	Directors Ackerman and Cordero.

The motion for item 2A passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 0 noes, 1 abstention, and 2 absent.

3. COMMITTEE ITEMS (FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

Director Sutley made a disclosure for the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) delegation on Item 7-4. The item involved an agreement with LADWP and other agencies, and the Los Angeles Administrative code provides for payment for Directors Quinn, Daniels, Douglas, and herself to attend Metropolitan Board meetings. They have declined such payments. In addition, she receives pension benefits from the City of Los Angeles. They were advised that, with this disclosure, they could participate in this item.

Director Pressman made a disclosure on Item 7-4. The item involved an agreement with LADWP and other agencies. The Los Angeles City Attorney's Office is a business client of his. However, He was advised by the Ethics Office that with this disclosure, he could participate in this item.

Director Fong-Sakai made a disclosure for the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) delegation on Item 7-4. The item involved an agreement with San Diego County Water Authority and other agencies. Director Fong-Sakai, Katz, and Miller receive per diem, reimbursements, and other benefits from SDCWA for their service on the Board. They were advised that, with this disclosure, they could participate in this item.

Director Denham recused on item 7-4. The item involves amending an agreement with San Diego County Water Authority and other agencies. It was disclosed that he receives per diem, reimbursements, and other benefits from San Diego County Water Authority for his service on the Metropolitan Board. He also receives income as General Manager of SDCWA. Because this item involves an agreement with his employing agency, he could not participate in this matter.

7-4 Subject: Authorize the General Manager to execute a one-year amendment to a Funding agreement for support of the Colorado River Board of California, Six Agency Committee, and Colorado River Joint Powers Authority, and by a two-thirds vote, authorize payment of Metropolitan's share up to $1,022,720 for fiscal year 20266/27; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to execute a one-year amendment to a funding agreement for support of the CRB, SAC, and Authority, and by a two-thirds vote, authorize payment of Metropolitan's share up to $1,022,720.00 for FY 2026/27.

No presentation was given, Director Kurtz made a motion, seconded by Director Shepherd Romey, to approve consent calendar item 7-4.

The vote was:

Ayes:	Directors Alvarez, Crane, Erdman, Gold, Katz, Kurtz, Lewitt, Miller, Pressman, Quinn, Seckel, and Shepherd Romey
Noes:	None
Abstention:	None
Not Voting:	Director Denham
Absent:	Directors Ackerman and Cordero

The motion for item 7-4 passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstentions, 1 not voting, and 2 absent.

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

4. COMMITTEE ITEMS (ACTION FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

8-5 Subject: By a two-thirds vote, authorize payments of up to $4.16 million for participation in the State Water Contractors for fiscal year 2026/27 and up to $4.25 million for fiscal year 2027/28; the General Manager has determined the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA

Presented by: Marcia Ferreira, Ph.D. and Senior Engineer, Water Resource Management's Water Project Supply Team.

Motion: By a two-thirds vote, authorize payments of up to $4.16 million for participation in the State Water Contractors for FY 2026/27 and up to $4.25 million for FY 2027/28.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

1. Miller
2. Ortega

Staff responded to the directors' questions and comments.

After completion of the presentation, Director Pressman made a motion, seconded by Director Erdman to approve item 8-5.

The vote was:

Ayes:	Directors Alvarez, Crane, Denham, Erdman, Gold, Katz, Kurtz, Lewitt, Miller, Pressman, Quinn, Seckel, and Shepherd Romey
Noes:	None
Abstention:	None
Absent:	Directors Ackerman and Cordero

The motion for item 8-5 passed by a vote of 13 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstentions, and 2 absent.

8-6	Subject:	Authorize the General Manager to enter into (1) an agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to add water to Lake Mead conserved under Metropolitan's existing Intentionally Created Surplus Exhibits pursuant to Reclamation's Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program, (2) agreements with Reclamation, the Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, and Bard Water District for system conservation projects under Reclamation's Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program, and (3) related forbearance and implementing agreements; the General Manager has determined the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA
	Presented by:	Ms. Laura Lamdin, Team Manager, Colorado River Supply Program, Water Resource Management
	Motion:	Authorize the General Manager to enter into (1) an agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to add water to Lake Mead conserved under Metropolitan's existing Intentionally Created Surplus (ICS) Exhibits pursuant to Reclamation's Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program (LC Conservation Program), (2) agreements with Reclamation, the Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation (Quechan Tribe), and Bard Water District (BWD) for system conservation projects under Reclamation's LC Conservation Program, and (3) related forbearance and implementing agreements

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions.

1. Miller
2. Denham
3. Gold
4. Fong-Sakai
5. Ortega

Staff responded to the directors' questions and comments.

After completion of the presentation, Director Katz made a motion, seconded by Director Erdman to approve item 8-6.

The vote was:

Ayes:	Directors Alvarez, Crane, Denham, Erdman, Gold, Katz, Kurtz, Lewitt, Miller, Pressman, Quinn, Seckel, and Shepherd Romey
Noes:	None
Abstention:	None
Absent:	Directors Ackerman and Cordero

The motion for item 8-6 passed by a vote of 13 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstentions, and 2 absent.

5. COMMITTEE ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL)

a. Subject: CAMP4W Quarterly Update

Presented by: Liz Crosson, Chief Sustainability, Resilience and Innovation Officer

Ms. Crosson reported on the following:

- CAMP4W Assessments and Decision Support
- Working Memo 11 and Low Regret Actions that are underway
- The Annual Report and Representative Concentration Pathway (RCP) 8.5
- Summary of Water Supply Reliability Signposts update
- Proposed Administrative Code Amendments and next steps

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Seckel
2. Gold
3. Lewit
4. Ortega
5. Pressman
6. Quinn

Staff responded to the Directors questions and comments.

b. Subject: Update on Conservation Program

Presented by: Director Jennifer Massoll, Assistant Resource Specialist, Water Resource Management

Ms. Massoll reported on the following:

- Current conservation program expenditures
- Current conservation program activities
- Overview of the Conservation Credits Program Advisory Committee

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Kurtz
2. Miller

Staff responded to the Directors questions and comments.

c. Subject: Report on Basin States Discussions on Colorado River Operations

Presented by: Shanti Rosset, Policy Manager, Colorado River Resources

Ms. Rosset reported on the following:

- Where things stand in the federal process, including a federally structured 10-year framework proposal
- May 1 Lower Basin States 2-year proposal
- Intentionally Created Surplus stored water
- Supplies and cost
- Path ahead and what is being tracked

The Following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Pressman
2. Sutley

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

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

Assistant General Manager John Bednarski stated that he had nothing to add to the written reports provided.

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

a. Report on Subcommittee on Imported Water

No report was provided as the June 23, 2026, meeting was canceled.

b. Discuss and provide direction on the Subcommittee on Imported Water

No discussion or direction provided.

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be held on August 18, 2026

The meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

Tracy Quinn
Chair