

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.

IW Committee

M. Gold, D. Env., Chair
L. Ackerman, Vice Chair
D. Alvarez
M. Camacho
G. Cordero
R. Crane
D. De Jesus
D. Denham
J. Garza
C. Kurtz
J. Lewitt
J. McMillan
M. Miller

Subcommittee on Imported Water - Final - Revised 1

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 24, 2026

9:00 a.m.

**Tuesday, March 24, 2026
Meeting Schedule**

**09:00 a.m. IW
10:30 a.m. EXEC
11:30 a.m. BREAK
12:00 p.m. BOD
WKSP/FAAME**

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Teleconference Location:

Conference Room • 1545 Victory Boulevard, 2nd Floor • Glendale, CA 91201

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1. Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction (As required by Gov. Code Section 54954.3(a))

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

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Subcommittee on Imported Water Meeting for February 24, 2026 [21-5445](#)

Attachments: [03242026 IW 2A \(02242026\) Minutes](#)

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

3. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Report on the Colorado River Board Meeting [21-5497](#)
- b. Vulnerabilities and Risks to the Bay-Delta Impacting Water Supply Reliability. [SUBJECT REVISED on 3/3/2026] [21-5645](#)
- c. Update on Colorado River negotiations and protection of Metropolitan's Colorado River water rights [Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation – deciding whether to initiate litigation; unknown number of potential cases; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)] [21-5498](#)

4. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

6. ADJOURNMENT

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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