

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.

L&C Committee

A. Kassakhian, Chair
J. McMillan, Vice Chair
M. Camacho
J. Crawford
D. De Jesus
C. Douglas
M. Katz
C. Kurtz
C. Miller
M. Ramos
G. Shepherd Romey

Legal and Claims Committee - Final

Meeting with Board of Directors *

June 9, 2026

9:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, June 9, 2026
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. FAAME
09:30 a.m. LEGAL
11:30 a.m. ETHICS
01:30 p.m. BREAK
02:00 p.m. BOD**

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Teleconference Locations:
3008 W. 82nd Place • Inglewood, CA 90305
Allendale Insurance Agency • 337 West Foothill Boulevard • Glendora, CA 91741
4616 E. Warwood Road • Long Beach, CA 90808
424 N. Cordova Street • Burbank, CA 91505
2136 Spyglass Trail West • Oxnard, CA 93036

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* Translated Agendas [21-5959](#)

Attachments: [06092026 LC Agenda - Armenian](#)
[06092026 LC Agenda - Chinese Mandarin](#)
[06092026 LC Agenda - Spanish](#)

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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))

2. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

a. General Counsel's report of monthly activities [21-5623](#)

Attachments: [06092026 LC 2a General Counsel's report of monthly activities](#)

**** CONSENT CALENDAR ****

3. COMMITTEE ACTION (ONLY)

A. Approve the Minutes of the Legal and Claims Committee of May 12, 2026 [21-5624](#)

Attachments: [06092026 LC 3A \(05122026\) Minutes](#)

4. COMMITTEE ITEMS (FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

NONE

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

5. COMMITTEE ITEMS (ACTION FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

- 8-2 Authorize an increase under contract with Van Ness Feldman, LLP in the amount of \$500,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 and with Milbank, LLP in the amount of \$1,000,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,250,000 for legal advice on Colorado River matters; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with legal counsel - anticipated litigation; unknown number of potential cases; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)] [21-5931](#)

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL)

- a. Discuss department head performance and goal setting [Public employee performance evaluation—General Counsel; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957] [21-5893](#)
- b. Conference with Labor Negotiator; agency designated representative: Chair of Legal and Claims Committee Kassakhian; Unrepresented employee: General Counsel; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957.6 [21-5947](#)

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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Լիցենզավորման և

- Ա. Քասախյան, Նախագահ
- Ջ. Մաքմիլան,
- փոխնախագահ
- Մ. Կամաչո
- Ջ. Զրոուֆորդ
- Դ. Դե Ջեսուս
- Բ. Դուգլաս
- Մ. Կազ
- Բ. Կուրց
- Բ. Միլեր
- Մ. Ռամոս
- Գ. Շեփերդ Ռոմի

Իրավական և պահանջատիրական հանձնաժողովի -եզրափակիչ

Հանդիպում տնօրենների խորհրդի հետ *

2026 թվականի հունիսի 9-ին

9:30-ին

Երեքշաբթի, 9 հունիսի, 2026թ.

Հանդիպման

08:30 am FAAME

09:30 a.m. ԻՐԱՎԱԿԱՆ

11:30-ին՝ Էթիկա

13:30 ԸՆԴՄԻՋՈՒՄ

14:00-ին

Հանդիպումները ինտերնետում ուղիղ հեռարձակմամբ դիտելու համար [սեղմեք այստեղ](#) :

Հանրության անդամները կարող են իրենց իրավասությանը ենթակա հարցերի վերաբերյալ իրենց մեկնաբանությունները ներկայացնել խորհրդին և կոմիտեներին՝ -նիստի հանրային մեկնաբանությունների բաժնի ընթացքում՝ հեռախոսակապով և անձամբ: Հեռակա մասնակցելու կամ հանրային մեկնաբանություն տալու համար զանգահարեք 18778535257 հեռախոսահամարով և մուտքագրեք հանդիպման ID-ն՝ 862 4397 5848, կամ ինտերնետի միջոցով միանալու համար [սեղմեք այստեղ](#) :

[BoardPublicComment@mwdh 2 o . com](mailto:BoardPublicComment@mwdh2o.com) հասցեին ուղարկված և նիստից մեկ աշխատանքային օր առաջ՝ ժամը 15:00-ին ստացված գրավոր հանրային մեկնաբանությունները ուղարկվում են խորհրդին և կտեղադրվեն «Ներկայացված նյութեր և պատասխաններ» բաժնում, որը հասանելի է այստեղ՝ <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx> : Ժամանակին չստացված գրավոր մեկնաբանությունները չեն ներառվի տվյալ նիստի արձանագրության մեջ: Թեմայի իրավասության շրջանակներում մեկնաբանությունները կուղարկվեն նիստից հետո՝ հաջորդ նիստի արձանագրության համար:

Հրաժարում պատասխանատվությունից. Գրավոր և բանավոր հանրային մեկնաբանությունները ստացվում են Ռալֆ Մ. Բրաունի օրենքի համաձայն: Խնդրում ենք նկատի ունենալ, որ Մետրոպոլիտենը չի հաստատում կամ չի ապահովում հանրային մեկնաբանությունների կամ երրորդ կողմերի կողմից տրամադրված տեղեկատվության ճշգրտությունը կամ հուսալիությունը:

MWD գլխավոր գրասենյակի շենք • 700 Հյուսիսային Ալամեդա փողոց • Լոս Անջելես, Կալիֆոռնիա 90012
Հեռախոսաժողովի վայրեր՝

3008 Արևմտյան 82-րդ տեղ • Ինգլվուդ, Կալիֆոռնիա 90305

Ալենդեյի ապահովագրական գործակալություն • 337 Արևմտյան Ֆուլթիլ Բուլվար • Գլենդորա, Կալիֆոռնիա 91741

4616 Արևելյան Ուորվուդ Ռոուդ • Լոնգ Բիչ, Կալիֆոռնիա 90808

424 Հյուսիսային Կորդովա փողոց • Բըրբանք, Կալիֆոռնիա 91505

2136 Սիլվադյա Թրեյ Ուեսթ • Օքսնարդ, Կալիֆոռնիա 93036

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* Այս կոմիտեի Մետրոպոլիտեն ջրային շրջանի նիստը համարվում է տնօրենների խորհրդի հետ համատեղ կոմիտեի նիստ՝ Բրաունի ակտի պահանջներին համապատասխանելու նպատակով: Այս կոմիտեին չնշանակված խորհրդի անդամները կարող են մասնակցել որպես խորհրդի անդամներ՝ անկախ նրանից, թե խորհրդի քվորումը ներկա է , թե ոչ : Կոմիտեի՝ որպես խորհրդի խորհրդատվական գործառույթը պահպանելու համար , այս կոմիտեին չնշանակված խորհրդի անդամները չեն քվեարկի այս կոմիտեի քննարկմանը ներկայացված հարցերի վերաբերյալ:

* Թարգմանված օրակարգեր 21 -5959

- Կից Ֆայլեր** ` [06092026 LC օրակարգ -հայերեն](#)
- [06092026 LC օրակարգ -Չինարեն Մանդարին](#)
- [06092026 LC օրակարգ -խապանդեն](#)

Օրակարգերը թարգմանվում են թվային թարգմանչական ծառայության կողմից: Մետրոպոլիտենը չի երաշխավորում որևէ թարգմանության ճշգրտությունը:

1. **Հանրության անդամների համար հանձնաժողովին դիմելու հնարավորությունն հանձնաժողովի իրավասության ներքո գտնվող հարցերի վերաբերյալ (ինչպես պահանջվում է Կառավարական օրենսգրքի 54954.3(a) բաժնի համաձայն):**

2. **Ղեկավարության հայտարարություններ և կարևորագույն**

ա. Գլխավոր դատախազի ամսական գործունեության 21 -5623

- Կից Ֆայլեր** ` [06092026 LC 2a Գլխավոր խորհրդատուի ամսական](#)

****ՀԱՄԱՁԱՅՆՈՒԹՅԱՆ ՕՐԱՑՈՒՅՑ****

3. **ՀԱՆՁՆԱԺՈՂՈՎԻ ԳՈՐԾՈՂՈՒԹՅՈՒՆ (ՄԻԱՅՆ)**

Ա. Հաստատել Իրավական և պահանջատիրական հանձնաժողովի 2026 թվականի մայիսի 12-ի արձանագրությունը: 21 -5624

- Կից Ֆայլեր** ` [06092026 LC 3A \(05122026\) ռուս](#)

4. **ՀԱՆՁՆԱԺՈՂՈՎԻ ՀԱՐՑԵՐ (ԽՈՐՀՐԴԻ ՔՆՆԱՐԿՄԱՆ ՀԱՄԱՐ)**

ՈՉԻՆՉ

**** ՀԱՄԱՁԱՅՆՈՒԹՅԱՆ ՕՐԱՑՈՒՅՑԻ ԱՎԱՐՏ ****

5. **ՀԱՆՁՆԱԺՈՂՈՎԻ ԿԵՏԵՐ (ԳՈՐԾՈՂՈՒԹՅՈՒՆ ԽՈՐՀՐԴԻ ՔՆՆԱՐԿՄԱՆ ՀԱՄԱՐ)**

8 -2 Հավանություն տալ «Van Ness Feldman, LLP»-ի հետ կնքված պայմանագրով նախատեսված 500,000 ԱՄՆ դոլարի չափով ավելացմանը՝ ընդհանուր առմամբ 1,000,000 ԱՄՆ դոլարը չգերազանցող գումարով, և «Milbank, LLP»-ի հետ կնքված պայմանագրով նախատեսված 1,000,000 ԱՄՆ դոլարի չափով ավելացմանը՝ ընդհանուր առմամբ 1,250,000 ԱՄՆ դոլարը չգերազանցող գումարով, Կոլորադո գետի հարցերով իրավաբանական խորհրդատվության համար: Գլխավոր տնօրենը որոշել է, որ առաջարկվող գործողությունը ազատված է կամ այլ կերպ չի ենթարկվում CEQA-ին [Իրավաբանական խորհրդատուի հետ խորհրդակցությունը -կանխատեսում է դատական գործընթաց. անհայտ է հավանական գործերի քանակը. կլսվի փակ նիստում՝ համաձայն Կառավարության օրենսգրքի 54956.9(d)(4) բաժնի]:

21 -5931

6. ՀԱՆՁՆԱԺՈՂՈՎԻ ԿԵՏԵՐ (ՏԵՂԵԿԱՏՎԱԿԱՆ՝ ԽՈՐՀՐԴԻ ՔՆՆԱՐԿՄԱՆ ՀԱՄԱՐ)

ՈՉԻՆՉ

7. ՀԱՆՁՆԱԺՈՂՈՎԻ ԿԵՏԵՐ (ՏԵՂԵԿԱՏՎԱԿԱՆ)

ա. Քննարկեք բաժնի ղեկավարի կատարողականը և նպատակների սահմանումը [Պետական ծառայողի կատարողականի գնահատում՝ գլխավոր խորհրդական. լսվելու է փակ նիստում՝ համաձայն Կառավարության օրենսգրքի 54957-րդ բաժնի]:

21 -5893

բ. Աշխատանքային բանակցողի հետ խորհրդակցություն: Գործակալության կողմից նշանակված ներկայացուցիչ՝ Իրավական և պահանջների հանձնաժողովի նախագահ Քասսիյանը: Չներկայացված աշխատակից՝ Գլխավոր իրավախորհրդատու: Լսվելու է փակ նիստում՝ համաձայն Կառավարական օրենսգրքի 54957.6 բաժնի:

21 -5947

8. Հետևողական -նյութեր

ՈՉԻՆՉ

9. Ապագա օրակարգի կետեր

10. ՀԵՏԱԶԳՈՒՄ

ՆՇՈՒՄ. Այս հանձնաժողովը քննարկում է հարցերը և վերջնական որոշում կայացնելու առաջարկություն է անում տնօրենների խորհրդին: Վերջնական որոշումը կկայացնի տնօրենների խորհուրդը: Հանձնաժողովի օրակարգերը կարելի է ստանալ Մետրոպոլիտենի կայքէջում՝ <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>: Այս հանձնաժողովը չի կայացնի որևէ վերջնական որոշում, որը պարտադիր է խորհրդի համար, Նույնիսկ եթե խորհրդի անդամները ներկա են:

Բաց նիստի օրակարգի հարցերի վերաբերյալ գրավոր նյութերը, որոնք տնօրեններին տրամադրվել են հերթական նիստից 72 ժամ առաջ, հասանելի են հանրային ծանոթացման համար Մետրոպոլիտենի գլխավոր գրասենյակի շենքում և Մետրոպոլիտենի կայքում՝ <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>:

Հաշմանդամության -հետ կապված փոփոխության կամ հարմարեցման, այդ թվում՝ օժանդակ միջոցների կամ ծառայությունների վերաբերյալ հարցումները, որոնք նախատեսված են նիստին մասնակցելու կամ մասնակցելու համար, պետք է ներկայացվեն խորհրդի գործադիր քարտուղարին նիստից առաջ՝ պահանջվող ծառայության կամ հարմարեցման հասանելիությունն ապահովելու համար :

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Agenda

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法律和索赔委员会-最终版

与董事会会议*

2026年6月9日

上午9:30

2026年6月9日, 星期二

会议日程

上午 8:30 FAAME

上午 9:30 法律

上午 11:30 伦理

下午 1:30 休息

下午 2:00 BOD

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* 翻译议程 21 -5959

附件： [06092026 LC-亚美尼亚议程](#)
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1. 公众有机会就委员会管辖范围内的事项向委员会发言（根据政府法典第54954.3(a)条的规定）

2. 管理层公告及亮点

一个。总法律顾问月度活动报告 21 -5623

附件： [06092026 LC 2a 总法律顾问月度活动报告](#)

****同意书日历****

3. 委员会行动（仅限）

一个。批准2026年5月12日法律和索赔委员会会议纪要 21 -5624

附件： [06092026 LC 3A \(05122026\) 会议记录](#)

4. 委员会事项（供董事会审议）

没有任何

****同意书日历结束****

5. 委员会事项（供董事会审议）

- 8 -2** 批准将与 Van Ness Feldman, LLP 律师事务所签订的合同金额增加 50 21 -5931
 万美元, 使总金额不超过 100 万美元; 并将与 Milbank, LLP
 律师事务所签订的合同金额增加 100 万美元, 使总金额不超过 125
 万美元, 用于就科罗拉多河相关事宜提供法律咨询; 总经理已确定拟议行动属于
 豁免范围或不受《加州环境质量法案》(CEQA)
 的约束。[与法律顾问举行会议·-预计可能发生诉讼; 潜在案件数量未知; 将根据
 加州政府法典第 54956.9(d)(4) 条的规定举行闭门会议]

6. 委员会事项 (供董事会参考)

没有任何

7. 委员会事项 (信息性)

- 一个。** 讨论部门主管绩效和目标设定 [公职人员绩效评估——总法律顾问; 根据政府法典第 54957 21 -5893
 条规定·将在闭门会议上进行听证]
- b.** 与劳工谈判代表举行会议; 机构指定代表: 法律和索赔委员会主席卡萨基 21 -5947
 安; 无代表雇员: 总法律顾问; 根据政府法典第54957.6条规定·将在闭门
 会议上进行听证。

8. 后续-事项

没有任何

9. 未来议程项目

10. 休会

注: 本委员会负责审核各项议题, 并向全体董事会提出最终行动建议。最终行动由董事会做出。委员会议程可在Metropolitan网站<http://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>上查阅。即使董事会达到法定人数, 本委员会也不会做出任何对董事会具有约束力的最终决定。

与公开会议议程项目相关的书面材料, 如果在例会召开前不到 72 小时分发给董事, 则可在大都会总部大楼和大都会网站 <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx> 上供公众查阅。

如需残疾-相关的调整或便利措施 (包括辅助工具或服务) 以便参加会议, 应提前向董事会执行秘书提出申请, 以确保所要求的服务或便利措施能够提供。

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Comité L&C

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C. Miller
M. Ramos
G. Shepherd Romey

Decisión final del Comité Jurídico y de Reclamaciones-

Reunión con la Junta Directiva *

9 de junio de 2026

9:30 de la mañana

Martes, 9 de junio de 2026
Calendario de reuniones

08:30 am FAAME
09:30 am LEGAL
11:30 a. m. ÉTICA
13:30 h DESCANSO
14:00 horas BOD

Para ver las reuniones en directo por internet: [haga clic aquí](#) .

Los miembros del público pueden presentar sus comentarios a la Junta y a los Comités sobre asuntos de su competencia en -tiempo real durante la sección de comentarios públicos de la reunión, tanto por teleconferencia como en persona. Para asistir de forma remota o para presentar comentarios públicos, marque 18778535257 e ingrese el ID de la reunión: 862 4397 5848 o, para unirse por internet, [haga clic aquí](#) .

[escrito](#) enviados a BoardPublicComment@mwdh2o.com y recibidos [antes de las](#) 15:00 horas del día hábil anterior a la reunión programada se enviarán a la Junta y se publicarán en la pestaña "Elementos y respuestas presentados", disponible aquí: <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx> . [Los comentarios por escrito que no se reciban a tiempo no se incluirán en el acta de esa reunión. Los comentarios que se encuentren dentro de la jurisdicción temática se enviarán después de la reunión para el acta de \[la siguiente reunión\]\(#\) .](#)

Descargo de responsabilidad: Los comentarios públicos, tanto escritos como orales, se reciben de conformidad con la Ley Ralph M. Brown. Tenga en cuenta que Metropolitan no respalda ni garantiza la exactitud ni la fiabilidad de la información proporcionada en los comentarios públicos ni por terceros.

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* Agendas traducidas 21 -5959

Archivos [06092026 LC Agenda -Armenia](#)
[06092026 LC Agenda -Chino Mandarín](#)
[06092026 LC Agenda -Español](#)

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1. **Oportunidad para que los miembros del público se dirijan al comité sobre asuntos dentro de la jurisdicción del comité (Según lo exige la Sección 54954.3(a) del Código Gubernamental).**

2. **ANUNCIOS Y ASPECTOS DESTACADOS DE LA GERENCIA**

a. Informe mensual de actividades del Asesor Jurídico 21 -5623

Archivos [06092026 LC 2a Informe mensual de actividades del Asesor](#)

**** CALENDARIO DE CONSENTIMIENTO ****

3. **DECISIÓN DEL COMITÉ (SOLO)**

A. Aprobar las actas del Comité Jurídico y de Reclamaciones del 12 de mayo de 2026. 21 -5624

Archivos [06092026 LC 3A \(05122026\) Actas](#)

4. **ASUNTOS DEL COMITÉ (PARA CONSIDERACIÓN DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA)**

NINGUNO

**** FIN DEL CALENDARIO DE CONSENTIMIENTO ****

5. **ASUNTOS DEL COMITÉ (PARA CONSIDERACIÓN DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA)**

- 8 -2** Autorizar un aumento en el contrato con Van Ness Feldman, LLP por un monto de \$500,000 para un monto total que no exceda \$1,000,000 y con Milbank, LLP por un monto de \$1,000,000 para un monto total que no exceda \$1,250,000 para asesoría legal en asuntos del río Colorado; el Gerente General ha determinado que la acción propuesta está exenta o no está sujeta a la CEQA [Conferencia con asesoría legal sobre -litigios anticipados; número desconocido de casos potenciales; se escuchará en sesión cerrada de conformidad con la Sección 54956.9(d)(4) del Código Gubernamental] **21 -5931**

6. ASUNTOS DEL COMITÉ (INFORMACIÓN PARA LA CONSIDERACIÓN DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA)

NINGUNO

7. PUNTOS DEL COMITÉ (INFORMATIVOS)

- a.** Analizar el desempeño y el establecimiento de objetivos de los jefes de departamento [Evaluación del desempeño de los empleados públicos—Consejo General; se tratará en sesión a puerta cerrada de conformidad con la Sección 54957 del Código Gubernamental]. **21 -5893**
- b.** Conferencia con el negociador laboral; representante designado por la agencia: Presidente del Comité Legal y de Reclamaciones, Kassakhian; empleado no representado: Asesor Jurídico General; se celebrará una sesión a puerta cerrada de conformidad con la Sección 54957.6 del Código Gubernamental. **21 -5947**

8. ELEMENTOS DE SEGUIMIENTO-

NINGUNO

9. PUNTOS DEL ORDEN DEL DÍA FUTURO

10. APLAZAMIENTO

NOTA: Este comité revisa los asuntos y formula una recomendación para su aprobación final ante la Junta Directiva en pleno. La Junta Directiva tomará la decisión final. Las agendas de los comités pueden consultarse en el sitio web de Metropolitan: <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>. Este comité no tomará ninguna decisión final vinculante para la Junta Directiva, incluso cuando haya quórum.

Los documentos relacionados con los puntos del orden del día de las sesiones públicas que se distribuyen a los directores con menos de 72 horas de antelación a una reunión ordinaria están disponibles para su consulta pública en el edificio de la sede de Metropolitan y en el sitio web de Metropolitan: <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

Las solicitudes de modificaciones o adaptaciones relacionadas con la discapacidad -, incluidas las ayudas o servicios auxiliares, para asistir o participar en una reunión, deben dirigirse al Secretario Ejecutivo de la Junta con antelación a la reunión para garantizar la disponibilidad del servicio o la adaptación solicitada.



Metropolitan Cases

Dannelle-Mimi Phan v. Metropolitan (Los Angeles County Superior Court)

Phan, a current employee, filed suit against MWD alleging causes of action arising out of Phan's

employment at MWD. After settlement discussions, the parties agreed to terms and are in the process of finalizing the settlement. We anticipate the settlement will be finalized and the case dismissed within the next four to six weeks.

Matters Impacting Metropolitan

Ninth Circuit Panel Vacates and Sends Back to District Court Novel Fluoride Decision

On May 21, 2026, a Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals panel vacated (set aside) and sent back to the lower court a federal district judge's novel ruling in *Food & Water Watch, Inc., et al. v. EPA* that the fluoridation of drinking water at levels typical in the United States presents an unreasonable risk to human health. In September 2024, the district court judge, Judge Chen, had also determined the risk was sufficient to require the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to engage with a regulatory response in accordance with the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). However, a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit unanimously found that Judge Chen overstepped his role when he allowed consideration of certain evidence, overruled the parties' stipulations on some studies, and refused to rule after a first trial and instead ordered a second trial. The Ninth Circuit panel's decision is based on procedural grounds and is not a ruling on the merits of the issue of water fluoridation.

The Ninth Circuit panel agreed with EPA that Judge Chen erred by taking over the case and holding a second bench trial in violation of the party presentation principle. Under the party presentation principle, the parties to a case, not judges, are responsible for framing the issues, their arguments, and the evidence. The panel found that Judge Chen abused his discretion when he: (1) refused to rule on the first trial record, despite the parties' agreement that he should; and (2) held the case in abeyance for 1-1/2 years to wait for the National Toxicology Program (NTP) monograph (which the parties had already agreed not to present at trial) to be completed. By doing so, the judge "rejected the parties' presentation of the case

and determined, on [his] own, that the NTP monograph was relevant and important." According to the Ninth Circuit panel, this was a "radical transformation" of the case which "went 'well beyond the pale.'" The panel sent the case back to Judge Chen to decide "based solely on the first trial record," which means he cannot consider the final NTP monograph that he relied on heavily for his ruling.

EPA had also argued that Judge Chen erred by reviewing evidence different from what the plaintiffs had presented to EPA in their original 2016 petition. However, the Ninth Circuit panel found that "*in these circumstances*," there was no error because both parties provided new evidence to Judge Chen during the first trial which went beyond the evidence presented in the 2016 petition. The panel also sent back to Judge Chen the issue of whether the plaintiffs have standing (or the right) to bring their case and EPA's request for judicial notice of a public water system's website that allegedly shows plaintiffs' water in Kansas contains naturally occurring fluoride. EPA had claimed that the case is about the addition of fluoride to drinking water supplies, but the drinking water of the only plaintiff supporting plaintiffs' standing naturally contains fluoride. Thus, because the website shows that naturally occurring fluoride will be in the plaintiffs' drinking water regardless of whether the water utility adds fluoride, EPA contends they do not have the right to bring their case. The panel reasoned that as the trier of fact, Judge Chen is in the best position to determine whether to take judicial notice of the facts offered by EPA and whether they affect plaintiffs' standing.

On June 1, 2026, the plaintiffs filed a motion asking the panel to clarify the scope of the evidence Judge Chen can consider on the standing issue. They



pointed out that the facts in EPA's judicial notice request were introduced after the first trial and after plaintiffs' only standing representative moved to Kansas. During the first trial, plaintiffs' representative was still living in San Francisco; thus, the background levels of fluoride in Kansas are not relevant to whether plaintiffs had standing in the first trial. Plaintiffs argue this creates an apparent tension with the panel's instruction that Judge Chen "rule based solely on the first trial record."

It is uncertain whether plaintiffs will seek review of the Ninth Circuit panel's decision. A petition for rehearing or a petition for rehearing en banc to the Ninth Circuit must be filed within 45 days after the May 21, 2026 decision. A petition for rehearing asks the original three-judge panel to reconsider its own decision, and a petition for rehearing en banc asks the full court to reconsider the appellate decision. Another option is a petition for certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court, which must be filed within 90 days after the May 21, 2026 decision or within 90 days after a petition for rehearing is denied.

Meanwhile, EPA has started an expedited review of fluoride in drinking water under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). As part of its review, EPA released in January 2026 a "Fluoride Human Health Toxicity Assessment: Preliminary Assessment Plan and Literature Survey" which describes how EPA will identify, screen, and evaluate scientific evidence related to fluoride. EPA's final toxicity assessment will be used to inform potential revisions to EPA's fluoride drinking water regulations and will also support the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendations regarding adding fluoride to drinking water. Under normal SDWA timelines, EPA's next comprehensive analysis of new scientific information on potential health risks of fluoride in drinking water would not be due until 2030, but EPA is accelerating its review.

Metropolitan staff will continue to monitor the *Food & Water Watch* lawsuit and EPA's regulation of fluoride in drinking water. (See General Counsel's January 2026 Board Report.)

EPA Proposes to Rescind Drinking Water Standards for Four PFAS and to Extend the Compliance Deadline for PFOA and PFOS

On May 18, 2026, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced two proposed rules which would: (1) rescind drinking water standards for four per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), and (2) allow individual public water systems (PWSs) to apply for up to two additional years to comply with the maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) for PFOA and PFOS. The first proposed rule would rescind regulatory determinations, maximum contaminant levels (MCLs), and Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLGs) for PFHxS, PFNA, HFPO-DA (often referred to as GenX chemicals), and PFBS, including the novel Hazard Index MCL and MCLG for mixtures of any of the first three PFAS plus PFBS (collectively, the Hazard Index PFAS). EPA explains that this action is necessary "to correct the unlawful procedure under which these regulations were promulgated. Under the EPA's prior interpretation, the EPA proposed and finalized regulatory determinations and regulations for these PFAS simultaneously and in tandem." However, the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) does not authorize EPA to take such actions simultaneously. As a result, EPA proposes to rescind those regulatory determinations, MCLs, and MCLGs. If the proposed rule is finalized, EPA would then evaluate the Hazard Index PFAS for regulation under the SDWA, which EPA says could possibly result in more stringent requirements.

The second proposed rule relies on a SDWA exemption to extend the deadline for PWSs to comply with the MCLs of 4 parts per trillion (ppt) for PFOA and PFOS from April 26, 2029, to April 26, 2031. This exemption from the compliance deadline would not be automatic. Instead, PWSs would need to affirmatively seek the extension, submit certain information, and meet specific criteria. For example, a PWS would have to submit its most recent PFOA and PFOS sampling results, a statement that it cannot comply with the PFOA and PFOS MCLs by April 26, 2029, and a statement that it is taking all practicable steps to meet the MCLs. Also, PWSs with any PFOA or PFOS sample results of 12 ppt or more must implement at least two types of specified interim control measures during the extension period. Requests for extensions must be made within 180 days of when the rule is finalized. PWSs that do not apply for or receive an extension would remain



subject to the original April 26, 2029 compliance deadline.

To be eligible for the extension, a PWS must: (1) be subject to the requirements of EPA's 2024 drinking water regulations for PFOA and PFOS; (2) have been in operation on or before June 25, 2024 (the effective date of the PFOA and PFOS MCLs); (3) not have a SDWA variance for small systems for the PFOA and PFOS MCLs; and (4) be located in a state, territory, or Tribe that does not have primary enforcement authority (also known as "primacy") for EPA's 2024 PFAS drinking water regulations. PWSs that are located in a state, territory, or Tribe that does have primacy for EPA's 2024 PFAS drinking water regulations could request an exemption from their drinking water primacy agency. State, Tribal, and territorial primacy agencies that obtain primacy for EPA's 2024 PFAS drinking water regulations after EPA grants any federal exemptions can determine whether they will allow the federal exemption to continue to 2031, or they may choose to shorten or end a federal exemption when they receive primacy.

Both proposed rules were published in the *Federal Register* on May 20, 2026, triggering a 60-day public comment period. The deadline to submit

comments on the two rules is July 20, 2026. EPA will hold a virtual public hearing on both proposed rules on July 7, 2026.

In the meantime, litigation challenging EPA's MCLs and MCLGs for these six PFAS continues in federal court. In 2024, the American Water Works Association (AWWA), the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies (AMWA), and several chemical industry associations asked a federal appellate court to decide whether EPA failed to comply with the SDWA when it set the MCLs and MCLGs for these six PFAS. The federal court denied both of EPA's motions and is now considering when to schedule oral argument. It is uncertain whether EPA will be able to finalize its proposed rules before the court hears oral argument and/or decides whether EPA failed to comply with the SDWA when it set the MCLs and MCLGs for some or all of the six PFAS.

Metropolitan staff will continue to monitor EPA's proposed rules and the litigation challenging EPA's MCLs and MCLGs for PFOA, PFOS, and the Hazard Index PFAS.



Matters Received

| <u>Category</u> | <u>Received</u> | <u>Description</u> | |
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| Government Code Claims | 2 | Claims relating to: (1) MWD vehicle collision with rear of Claimant's vehicle near the intersection of Van Buren Boulevard and Bountiful Street in the City and County of Riverside; and (2) Cucamonga Valley Water District claim for damages alleged in complaint <i>Nikolas Fakhoury v. City of Rancho Cucamonga</i> (SBSC Case No. CIVRS2509398) related to properties located at 9720 Highland Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701 and 9230 Highland Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701 | |
| Requests Pursuant to the Public Records Act | 20 | <u>Requestor</u> | <u>Documents Requested</u> |
| | | ABC Drilling | Bid results and copies of the bids submitted for As-Needed Environmental Site Assessment project opened on February 5, 2021 |
| | | BidAmerica (4 requests) | Bid documents for: (1) Landscape Maintenance and Tree Maintenance Services for MWD Live Oak Reservoir; (2) Julian Hinds Pumping Plant Interim Employee Housing Rehabilitation; (3) Eagle Mountain Pumping Plant Interim Employee Housing Rehabilitation; and (4) Gene Pumping Plant Interim Employee Housing Rehabilitation |
| | | BKF Engineers | As-built information for any utilities in project area in the city of Rancho Palos Verdes |
| | | Center for Contract Compliance | Contractor and Subcontractor Information, Bid Advertisement, and DIR Project ID for Henry Mills Water Treatment Plant Fiber Conduits |
| | | Deltek, Inc. | Bidders list for the Intramet Redesign |
| | | MWD Supervisors Association | All documents, emails, other electronic communication related to Electronic Annual Report (eAR) |
| | | Kathryn Sorensen, PhD, Director of Research & Professor of Practice at Arizona State University | ICS Certification Reports sent by MWD to USBR from 2007-2025 |
| | | Krieger & Stewart | Utility Information for project for EMWD in the city of Menifee |

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| | <u>Requestor</u> | <u>Documents Requested</u> |
|---------------|--|--|
| | Laquer, Urban, Clifford & Hodge | Notice of Completion, or equivalent, relating to Sepulveda, West Valley, and East Valley Feeders Upgrades |
| | Private Citizens (3 requests) | (1) Documents and information collected regarding Human Resources Manager position; (2) iCIMS Qualification Screening Data including copies of objective, non-deliberative administrative records; and (3) Transcripts of all and each Coffee with the GM meetings |
| | Tetra Tech | Proposals of top 3 rated incumbents for the On-Call Environmental Site Assessment Services contract issued in 2023 |
| | Transparent California | MWD Employee Compensation Report for 2025 |
| | The Allegro Coalition & the California Public Integrity Council (CPIC) | Records related to inspection trips, tours, travel, and gifts facilitated or funded by the MWD for officials, employees, and guests of the City of Diamond Bar and the Walnut Valley Water District (WVWD) |
| | The Allegro Coalition & Southern California Public Integrity (CPIC) | Records related to: (1) October 2025 SWP and Central Valley Agriculture inspection trip financials; (2) historical audits and manifests for all inspection trips or Colorado River/SWP tours involving the city of Diamond Bar or Walnut Valley Water District (WVWD); (3) MWD's Records Retention Schedule; and (4) Privilege Log |
| | X Engineering & Consulting | As-built Information for MWD pipeline in the city of Anaheim |
| Other Matters | 2 | Wage garnishment |



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- ANY CHANGE TO THE *OUTSIDE COUNSEL AGREEMENTS* TABLE WILL BE SHOWN IN REDLINE FORM (I.E., ADDITIONS, REVISIONS, DELETIONS).



Bay-Delta and SWP Litigation

| Subject | Status |
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| <p>Delta Conveyance Project CEQA Cases</p> <p><i>Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District v. California Department of Water Resources</i> (case name for the consolidated cases)</p> <p><i>City of Stockton v. California Department of Water Resources</i></p> <p><i>County of Butte v. California Department of Water Resources</i></p> <p><i>County of Sacramento v. California Department of Water Resources</i></p> <p><i>County of San Joaquin et al. v. California Department of Water Resources</i></p> <p><i>Sacramento Area Sewer District v. California Department of Water Resources</i></p> <p><i>San Francisco Baykeeper, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources</i></p> <p><i>Sierra Club, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources</i></p> <p><i>South Delta Water Agency and Rudy Mussi Investment L.P. v. California Department of Water Resources</i></p> <p><i>Sacramento County Superior Ct.</i> (Judge Acquisto)</p> <p>3d District Court of Appeal Case No. C101878</p> <p>Supreme Court Case No. S294127</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DWR is the only named respondent/defendant • All alleged CEQA violations • Most allege violations of the Delta Reform Act, Public Trust Doctrine and Delta and Watershed Protection Acts • Two allege violations of the fully protected bird statute • One alleges violations of Proposition 9 (1982) and the Central Valley Project Act • March 27, 2026 order denying DWR's motion to disqualify the Somach, Simmons & Dunn law firm • March 30, 2026 preliminary injunction halting preconstruction geotechnical soil testing vacated, clearing the way for the Design and Construction Authority to resume work • April 2, 2026 Metropolitan and other supporting SWP contractors granted leave to intervene • <u>May 18, 2026 DWR certified the administrative record</u> • <u>May 29, 2026 next Case Management Conference</u> • <u>July 6, 2026 deadline to file motions to augment the administrative record</u> • <u>Dec. 31, 2026 deadline to file discovery motions</u> • <u>January 22, 2027 next Case Management Conference</u> |
| <p>Consolidated DCP Revenue Bond Validation Action and CEQA Case</p> <p><i>Sierra Club, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources</i> (CEQA, designated as lead case)</p> <p><i>DWR v. All Persons Interested</i> (Validation)</p> <p><i>Sacramento County Superior Ct.</i> (Judge Kenneth C. Mennemeier)</p> <p>3d District Court of Appeal Case No. C100552</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Validation Action • Final Judgment and Final Statement of Decision issued January 16, 2024 ruling the bonds are not valid • DWR, Metropolitan and other supporting public water agencies filed Notices of Appeal on or before the February 16, 2024 deadline • Eight opposing groups filed Notices of Cross Appeals by March 27, 2024 • Appeals and cross-appeals fully briefed as of May 12, 2025 |



| Subject | Status |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 19, 2025 oral argument • Dec. 31, 2025 Court of Appeal opinion filed upholding trial court ruling the bonds are not valid • Jan. 15, 2026 DWR filed a petition for rehearing • Jan. 28, 2026 petition for rehearing denied, opinion modified to correct factual errors and add citations without changing the judgment • Feb. 9, 2026 DWR and supporting SWP contractors filed a petition for California Supreme Court review and request to depublish the Dec. 31, 2025 opinion • March 2, 2026 deadline to file an answer to the petition for review • March 12, 2026 deadline to file a reply in support of petition for review • April 15, 2026, Supreme Court denied review and depublication, terminating the case |
| <p>2025 Delta Conveyance Program Revenue Bond Validation</p> <p><i>Department of Water Resources v. All Persons Interested, etc.</i></p> <p>Sacramento County Superior Court (Judge Kenneth C. Mennemeier)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jan. 6, 2025, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) adopted a new bond resolution • Jan. 7, DWR filed a complaint seeking a judgment validating its authority to issue the bonds under the CVP Act • 15 answers filed, 10 in opposition and 5 in support • June 12, 2025 two motions to dismiss denied • Aug. 15, 2025 case assigned to Judge Mennemeier for all purposes • Sept.23, 2025 Case Management Conference • Dec. 5, 2025 opening trial briefs • Jan. 14, 2026 DWR filed a motion to stay the case pending exhaustion of appellate remedies in the 2020 bond validation case • Jan. 21, 2026 hearing on motion for stay and stay granted • <u>May 2026 bond resolution rescinded and case dismissed</u> |
| <p>2024 CESA Incidental Take Permit Consolidated Cases</p> <p><i>California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources, et al.</i> (CEQA, CESA, Delta Reform Act, Public Trust Doctrine)</p> | <p>Cases challenge DWR’s Final EIR and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife’s California Endangered Species Act Incidental Take Permit for the updated Long Term Operations plan for the State Water Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oct. 8, 2025 minute order consolidating cases under the <i>California Sportfishing Protection Alliance</i> case name |



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| <p>Sacramento County Superior Ct. Case No. 24WM000181 (Judge Arguelles) (Designated lead case for the consolidated cases)</p> <p><i>San Francisco Baykeeper, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources</i> (CEQA, Delta Reform Act, Public Trust Doctrine)</p> <p><i>Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources, et al.</i> (CEQA)</p> <p><i>Central Delta Water Agency and South Delta Water Agency v. California Department of Water Resources</i> (CEQA, Delta Reform Act, Watershed Protection Acts, Public Trust Doctrine)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dec. 12, 2025, case management conference in the consolidated cases • June 12, 2026 case management conference |
| <p>CDWR Environmental Impact Cases Sacramento Superior Ct. Case No. JCCP 4942, 3d DCA Case No. C100302 (20 Coordinated Cases)</p> <p>Validation Action DWR v. All Persons Interested</p> <p>CEQA 17 cases</p> <p>CESA/Incidental Take Permit 2 cases</p> <p>(Judge Arguelles)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cases dismissed after DWR rescinded project approval, bond resolutions, decertified the EIR, and CDFW rescinded the CESA incidental take permit • January 10, 2020 — Nine motions for attorneys' fees and costs denied in their entirety • May 11, 2022, court of appeal reversed the trial court's denial of attorney fees and costs • Coordinated cases remitted to trial court for re-hearing of fee motions consistent with the court of appeal's opinion • Dec. 26, 2023 order denying fee motions • Six notices of appeal filed • Dec. 9, 2025 Court of Appeal decision upholding trial court denial of attorney fee motions • Jan. 20, 2026 losing appellants filed three petitions for review in the California Supreme Court • March 18, 2026 petitions for review denied, ending the cases |
| <p>Water Management Tools Contract Amendment</p> <p><i>California Water Impact Network et al. v. DWR</i> Sacramento County Superior Ct. (Judge Acquisto)</p> <p><i>North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al. v. DWR</i> Sacramento County Super. Ct. (Judge Acquisto)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Filed September 28, 2020 • CWIN and Aqualliance allege one cause of action for violation of CEQA • NCRA et al. allege four causes of action for violations of CEQA, the Delta Reform Act, Public Trust Doctrine and seeking declaratory relief • SWC motion to intervene in both cases granted • Dec. 20, 2022 DWR filed notice of certification of the administrative record and filed answers in both cases |



| Outside Counsel Agreements | | | | |
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| Firm Name | Matter Name | Agreement No. | Effective Date | Contract Maximum |
| Aleshire & Wynder | Oil, Mineral and Gas Leasing | 174613 | 08/18 | \$50,000 |
| Anzel Galvan LLP | Bond Issues | 220411 | 07/24 | N/A |
| Atkinson Andelson Loya Ruud & Romo | Employee Relations | 59302 | 04/04 | \$1,316,937 |
| | Delta Conveyance Project Bond Validation-CEQA Litigation | 185899 | 09/21 | \$250,000 |
| | MWD Drone and Airspace Issues | 193452 | 08/20 | \$50,000 |
| | AFSCME Local 1902 in Grievance No. 1906G020 (CSU Meal Period) | 201883 | 07/12/21 | \$30,000 |
| | Ethics and EEO Investigation | 222534 | 01/25 | \$50,000 |
| | PRA Issues | 222539 | 02/25 | \$110,000 |
| | Sanchez Job Audit Appeal | 222551 | 03/25 | \$50,000 |
| | Gutierrez Job Audit Appeal | 222552 | 03/25 | \$100,000 |
| | RFIs by AFSCME Local 1902 | 222554 | 03/25 | \$20,000 |
| | EEO Investigation | 226516 | 05/25 | \$25,000 |
| | Advice and Counsel – AB399 Issues | 226533 | 01/26 | \$50,000 |
| | Employment Matter | 226534 | 01/26 | \$50,000 |
| | Team Manager Leave Premiums Denial HO Appeal | 226539 | 01/26 | \$50,000 |
| | Temporary Upgrade Assignment Denial HO Appeal | 226540 | 01/26 | \$50,000 |
| | Temporary Upgrade Assignment Standby Denial HO Appeal | 231484 | 01/26 | \$50,000 |
| | Desert Medical Credit HO Appeal | 231487 | 01/26 | \$50,000 |
| | Employment Matter | 231488 | 03/26 | \$50,000 |
| | Employment Matter | 231491 | 04/26 | \$50,000 |
| <u>Employment Matter</u> | | <u>231496</u> | <u>05/26</u> | <u>\$50,000</u> |



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| | <u>Employment Matter</u> | <u>231497</u> | <u>5/26</u> | <u>\$50,000</u> |
| BDG Law Group, APLC | Gutierrez v. MWD | 216054 | 03/24 | \$900,000 |
| | Hagekhalil Defense in Kasaine Litigation | 222547 | 03/25 | \$250,000 |
| Best, Best & Krieger | Bay-Delta Conservation Plan/Delta Conveyance Project (with SWCs) | 170697 | 08/17 | \$500,000 |
| | Environmental Compliance Issues | 185888 | 05/20 | \$100,000 |
| | Grant Compliance Issues | 211921 | 05/23 | \$250,000 |
| | Pure Water Southern California | 207966 | 11/22 | \$350,000 |
| | Progressive Design Build | 216053 | 04/24 | \$250,000 |
| | Pure Water – SB 149 CEQA Record Preparation | 222526 | 02/25 | \$150,000 |
| | Rates and Taxes Advice | 226517 | 05/25 | \$50,000 |
| | PWSC Construction Contracting Issues | 226524 | 07/25 | \$125,000 |
| | Diamond Valley Lake Groundwater Basin Issues | 231486 | 1/26 | \$100,000 |
| | Technology – Contracts and Related Matters | 231489 | 03/26 | \$35,000 |
| Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP | Real Property – General | 180192 | 01/19 | \$100,000 |
| | Labor and Employment Matters | 180207 | 04/19 | \$75,000 |
| | General Real Estate Matters | 180209 | 08/19 | \$200,000 |
| | Rancho Cucamonga Condemnation Actions (Grade Separation Project) | 207970 | 05/22 | \$150,000 |
| | Foothill Pump Station Condemnation | 226522 | 06/25 | \$100,000 |
| | Fakhoury, et al. v. City of Rancho Cucamonga, et al. | 226528 | 12/25 | \$100,000 |
| | Ethics Office Investigations | 226537 | 01/26 | \$75,000 |



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| Law Office of Alexis S.M. Chiu* | Bond Counsel | 220409 | 07/24 | N/A |
| Castañeda + Heidelman LLP | Employment Matter | 216055 | 04/24 | \$100,000 |
| | Employment Matter | 222530 | 11/24 | \$100,000 |
| Cislo & Thomas LLP | Intellectual Property | 170703 | 08/17 | \$100,000 |
| Davis Wright Tremaine, LLP | Advice and Representation re Potential Litigation | 220424 | 10/24 | \$250,000 |
| | Kasaine v. MWD | 222543 | 03/25 | \$250,000 \$750,000 |
| | Advice and Representation re Employment -Related Claims | 226526 | 08/25 | \$200,000 |
| | Government Code Claim Investigation | 226538 | 02/26 | \$150,000 |
| Erin Joyce Law, PC | Ethics Advice | 216058 | 05/24 | \$100,000 |
| Haden Law Office | Real Property Matters re Agricultural Land | 180194 | 01/19 | \$50,000 |
| Hanna, Brophy, MacLean, McAleer & Jensen, LLP | Workers' Compensation | 211926 | 06/23 | \$500,000 |
| Hanson Bridgett LLP | Finance Advice | 158024 | 12/16 | \$100,000 |
| | Deferred Compensation/HR | 170706 | 10/17 | \$600,000 |
| | Alternative Project Delivery (ADP) | 207961 | 10/22 | \$250,000 |
| | Lake Mathews Mining Issues | 231485 | 01/26 | \$100,000 |
| Hausman & Sosa, LLP | Villavicencio v. MWD | 220426 | 10/24 | \$100,000 |
| | Jensen Operator Standby Removal | 222522 | 10/24 | \$100,000 |
| | Villa NOIS Appeal | 222553 | 03/25 | \$50,000 |
| | Alberto NOID Appeal | 226523 | 06/25 | \$100,000 |
| Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP* | Bond Counsel | 220405 | 07/24 | N/A |



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| Horvitz & Levy | General Appellate Advice | 146616 | 12/15 | \$200,000 |
| | Colorado River | 203464 | 04/22 | \$100,000 |
| | Delta Conveyance Bond Validation Appeal | 216047 | 03/24 | \$25,000 |
| | PFAS Multi-District Litigation – Appeal | 216050 | 03/24 | \$200,000 |
| Internet Law Center | Cybersecurity and Privacy Advice and Representation | 200478 | 04/13/21 | \$100,000 |
| | Systems Integrated, LLC v. MWD | 201875 | 05/17/21 | \$500,000 |
| | General Advice and Counsel | 222544 | 02/25 | \$25,000 |
| Jackson Lewis P.C. | Employment: Department of Labor Office of Contract Compliance | 137992 | 02/14 | \$45,000 |
| Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP | Bond Counsel | 220412 | 07/24 | N/A |
| Kronenberger Rosenfeld, LLP | Systems Integrated, LLC v. MWD | 211920 | 04/23 | \$500,000 |
| Kutak Rock LLP | Delta Islands Land Management | 207959 | 10/22 | \$160,000 |
| Lesnick Prince Pappas & Alverson LLP | Kidde-Fenwal Bankruptcy | 216061 | 06/24 | \$50,000 |
| Liebert Cassidy Whitmore | Labor and Employment | 158032 | 02/17 | \$244,741 |
| | EEO Advice | 216041 | 12/23 | \$450,000 |
| Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein, LLP | PFAS Multi-District Litigation | 216048 | 03/24 | \$200,000 |
| Marten Law LLP | PFAS Multi-District Litigation | 216034 | 09/23 | \$550,000 |
| | PFAS-Related Issues (PWSC) | 220414 | 08/24 | \$150,000 |
| | Perris Valley Pipeline Project | 220415 | 07/24 | \$100,000 |
| | PFAS-Related Issues (General) | 220413 | 10/24 | \$50,000 |
| <u>Milbank LLP</u> | <u>Colorado River</u> | <u>231490</u> | <u>04/26</u> | <u>\$250,000</u> |



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| Morgan, Lewis & Bockius | Project Labor Agreements | 200476 | 04/21 | \$100,000 |
| Musick, Peeler & Garrett LLP | Arvin-Edison v. Dow Chemical | 203452 | 01/22 | \$150,000 |
| | Semitropic TCP Litigation | 207954 | 09/22 | \$75,000 |
| | Employment Matter | 220417 | 08/24 | \$150,000 |
| | Employment Matter | 226535 | 01/26 | \$50,000 |
| Nixon Peabody LLP* | Bond Counsel | 220404 | 07/24 | N/A |
| Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP* | Bond Counsel | 220407 | 7/24 | N/A |
| | Pure Water Special Project Finance | 226513 | 05/25 | \$200,000 |
| Olson Remcho LLP | Government Law | 131968 | 07/14 | \$600,000 |
| | Advice/Assistance re Proposition 26/Election Issues | 211922 | 05/23 | \$100,000 |
| Pearlman, Brown & Wax, L.L.P. | Workers' Compensation | 216037 | 10/23 | \$100,000 |
| Redwood Public Law, LLP | PRA and Conflicts Issues | 222540 | 02/25 | \$150,000 |
| Renne Public Law Group, LLP | Employee Relations and Personnel Matters | 216045 | 01/24 | \$50,000 |
| | ACE v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA CE 1729 M) | 220421 | 09/24 | \$70,000 |
| | AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1733-M) | 220422 | 09/24 | \$35,000 |
| | AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1746-M) | 222528 | 11/24 | \$35,000 |
| | AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1774-M) | 226515 | 05/25 | \$35,000 |
| | AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1772-M) | 226518 | 05/25 | \$35,000 |
| | AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1775-M) | 226519 | 05/25 | \$35,000 |



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| | AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1776-M) | 226520 | 05/25 | \$35,000 |
| | AFSCME v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1785-M) | 226527 | 10/25 | \$50,000 |
| | Supervisors Association of MWD v. MWD (PERB Case No. LA-CE-1854-M) | 226536 | 01/26 | \$50,000 |
| Ryan & Associates | Leasing Issues | 43714 | 06/01 | \$200,000 |
| | Unlawful Encroachment on Metropolitan Rights-of-Way | 216065 | 06/24 | \$100,000 |
| Seyfarth Shaw LLP | Phan v. MWD | 201897 | 11/04/21 | \$700,000 |
| | Claim (Contract #203436) | 203436 | 11/15/21 | \$1,000,000 |
| | General Labor/Employment Advice | 211917 | 3/23 | \$250,000 |
| | Crawford v. MWD | 216035 | 09/23 | \$1,200,000 |
| Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP | Iverson v. MWD | 222532 | 12/24 | \$500,000 |
| Snell & Wilmer LLP | Public Records Act Requests | 226531 | 12/25 | \$150,000 |
| Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth* | Bond Counsel | 220408 | 7/24 | N/A |
| Theodora Oringer PC | Construction Contracts - General Conditions Update | 185896 | 07/20 | \$100,000 |
| | Santa Monica Feeder Incident | 226526 | 08/25 | \$150,000 |
| Thompson Coburn LLP | NERC Energy Reliability Standards | 193451 | 08/20 | \$600,000 |
| Van Ness Feldman, LLP | General Litigation | 170704 | 07/18 | \$50,000 |
| | Colorado River MSHCP | 180191 | 01/19 | \$50,000 |
| | Bay-Delta and State Water Project Environmental Compliance | 193457 | 10/15/20 | \$50,000 |
| | Colorado River Issues | 211924 | 05/23 | \$500,000 |
| | Cajalco Road Widening Project | 226509 | 04/25 | \$50,000 |



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| Wesierski & Zurek LLP | Eight-Vehicle Pile-Up Claims, Rancho Cucamonga | 226529 | 12/25 | \$150,000 |
| | General Tort Claims and Litigation Defense Advice | 226530 | 12/25 | \$150,000 |

*Expenditures paid by Bond Proceeds/Finance

**Expenditures paid by another group

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

LEGAL AND CLAIMS COMMITTEE

May 12, 2026

Vice Chair McMillan called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Members present: Directors Camacho (alternative teleconferencing), Crawford, De Jesus (teleconference posted location), Kassakhian (entered after roll call), Katz, Kurtz, McMillan, Miller, and Shepherd Romey (entered after roll call).

Members absent: Directors Douglas and Ramos.

Other Board Members present: Directors Ackerman, Bryant, Crane, Dennstedt (alternative teleconferencing), Erdman, Faessel, Lewitt, Ortega, Seckel, and Sutley.

Director Camacho stated he was participating using alternative teleconferencing due to a contagious illness and was alone in the room.

Director Dennstedt stated she was participating using alternative teleconferencing due to a contagious illness and was alone in the room.

Committee Staff present: Beatty, Deshmukh, Gaxiola, Hudson, Rubin, and Scully.

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

None

2. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

A. Subject: General Counsel's report of monthly activities

General Counsel Scully had nothing to add to her written report.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

3. COMMITTEE ACTION (ONLY)

- A. Subject: Approval of the Minutes of the Legal and Claims Committee for March 10, 2026.

4. COMMITTEE ITEMS (FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

None

Director Katz made a motion, seconded by Director Miller, to approve item 3A.

The vote was:

- Ayes: Directors Camacho, Crawford, De Jesus, Katz, Kurtz, McMillan, Miller.
Noes: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Directors Douglas, Kassakhian, Ramos, and Shepherd Romey

The motion for Item 3A passed by a vote of 7 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstention, and 4 absent.
Director Camacho stated he was alone in the room.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

5. COMMITTEE ITEMS (ACTION FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

None

Vice Chair McMillan called the meeting into closed session.

Chair Kassakhian and Director Shepherd Romey entered the meeting.

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL)

- a. Subject: Discussion of department head performance and goal setting [Public employee performance evaluation – General Counsel; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957]

Presented by: Marcia Scully, General Counsel

In closed session, the committee discussed the item with the General Counsel. No action was taken in closed session.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Colorado River Issues

Meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Ardy Kassakhian
Chair