



**Notice of San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
Board of Directors Regular Telephonic Meeting
Thursday, December 9, 2021, 9:30 a.m.**

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In accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and Resolution 2021-492 adopted by the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Board of Directors on November 29, 2021, members of the Board of Directors and Water Authority staff will be participating in this meeting from multiple locations. This meeting will occur exclusively through Zoom. If members of the public have any problems using the call-in number during the meeting, please contact the Authority office at 209-826-9696.

NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any item on the agenda before or during its consideration of that item, as appropriate. For each item, public comment is limited to no more than three minutes per person. For good cause, the Chair of the Board may waive this limitation.

Agenda

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Board to Consider Additions or Corrections to the Agenda of Items, as authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.
3. Opportunity for Public Comment – Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter not on the agenda, but within the Board's jurisdiction. Public comment is limited to no more than three minutes per person. For good cause, the Chair of the Board may waive this limitation.

Consent Calendar

Note: All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon by a single action of the Board of Directors, unless a Board Member requests separate consideration of the item. If such a request is made, the item may be heard as an action item at this meeting.

4. **Board of Directors to Consider Approval of November 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes, and November 29, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes**

5. **Board of Directors to Consider Acceptance of Financial & Expenditures Reports**
6. **Board of Directors to Consider Acceptance of Staff Reports:**
 - a. **O&M Budget to Actual**
 - b. **Operations & Maintenance**
 - c. **Science Program**
 - d. **Activity Agreements**
 - e. **Procurement Activity**

Action Items

7. **Board of Directors to Consider Adopting the 2022 Regular Meeting Calendar for the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Board of Directors, Water Resources Committee, and Finance & Administration Committee, Barajas**
8. **Board of Directors to Consider Water Resources Committee Recommendation Regarding Adoption of Fiscal Year 2023 Objectives, Barajas**
9. **Board of Directors to Consider Adopting Resolution Ratifying Execution of Letter Agreement (No. 22-WC-20-5911) with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Regarding Reimbursable Account for Assisting the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority and its Participating Members Effectuate Water Transfers in 2022, Mizuno**
10. **Board of Directors to Consider Grassland Basin Drainage Management Activity Agreement Steering Committee Recommendation to Adopt Resolution Adopting Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Mud Slough Restoration Project and Authorizing Related Actions, Akroyd/Joe McGahan**
11. **Board of Directors to Consider Grassland Basin Drainage Management Activity Agreement Steering Committee Recommendation to Adopt Resolution Approving Mud Slough Restoration Project, Akroyd/Joe McGahan**
12. **Board of Directors to Consider Adopting Resolution Authorizing a Proposal for Funding from the Department of Water Resources and Designating a Representative to Execute the Agreement and Any Amendments Thereto, for the Delta-Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project, Barajas**

Report Items

13. Report on State and Federal Affairs, Petersen/Dennis Cardoza/Kristin Olsen
14. Discussion Regarding Estimated Cost of San Luis Transmission Project to Contractors that Take Delivery of Water from Project Works, Mizuno
15. Executive Director's Report, Barajas
May include reports on activities related to 1) CVP/SWP water operations; 2) California storage projects; 3) regulation of the CVP/SWP; 4) existing or possible new State and Federal policies; 5) Water Authority activities
16. Chief Operating Officer's Report, Arroyave
(May include reports on activities related to 1) OM&R; 2) Infrastructure Projects; 3) Water transfers, exchanges, and release program
17. Update on Water Operations and Forecasts, Boardman
18. Committee Reports:
 - a. Water Resources Committee Activities, Birmingham
 - b. Finance & Administration Committee Activities, Gilmore
 - c. O & M Technical Committee Activities, White
19. Outside Agency/Organization Reports:
 - a. State and Federal Contractors Water Agency
 - b. Family Farm Alliance
 - c. Farm Water Coalition
 - d. Association of California Water Agencies

- e. San Joaquin Valley Water Blueprint Effort
- f. Central Valley Project Water Association

20. Board Member Reports

21. **CLOSED SESSION**

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Title: Executive Director

Title: General Counsel

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 – 4 potential cases

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 – 2 potential cases

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Existing Litigation Pursuant to paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9

- A. Natural Resources Defense Council, et al. v. Haaland, et al., U.S. District Court, E.D. Cal., Case No. 1:05-cv-01207-DAD-EPG, 9th Cir. Case No. 21-15163 (2005 DMC Contract Renewals)
 - B. Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen’s Associations, et al. v. Donald R. Glaser and San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, U.S. District Court, E.D. Cal., Case No. 2:11-CV-02980-KJM-CKD (PCFFA v Glaser or GBP Citizens Suit)
 - C. Delta Stewardship Council Cases, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. JCCP 4758 (formerly San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority and Westlands Water District v. Delta Stewardship Council, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2013-80001500) (Delta Plan Litigation)
 - D. City of Fresno, et al. v. United States, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 1:16-cv-01276-EDK (2014 Friant Breach of Contract)
 - E. Monterey Coastkeeper, et al. v. Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board, et al., Third District Court of Appeal Case No. C093513, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2018-80002853; Environmental Law Foundation v. State Water Resources Control Board, Third District Court of Appeal Case No. C093513, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2018-80002851; Protectores del Agua Subterranea v. State Water Resources Control Board, Third District Court of Appeal Case No. C093513, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2018-80002852 (Waste Discharge Requirement Cases)
 - F. North Coast Rivers Alliance v. Delta Stewardship Council, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2018-80002898; Central Delta Water Agency v. Delta Stewardship Council, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2018-80002900; Friends of the River v. Delta Stewardship Council, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2018-80002901; California Water Impact Network v. Delta Stewardship Council, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2018-80002904 (Delta Plan Amendment Cases)
 - G. North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al. v. San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, et al., Merced County Superior Court, Case No. 19CV-04989 (GBP Long-Term Storm Water Management Plan)
 - H. Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen’s Associations, et al. v. Raimondo, et al., U.S. District Court, E.D. Cal., Case No. 1:20-cv-00431-DAD-EPG (ROC on LTO BiOps)
 - I. California Natural Resources Agency, et al. v. Raimondo, et al., U.S. District Court, E.D. Cal., Case No. 1:20-cv-00426-DAD-EPG (ROC on LTO BiOps)
 - J. CDWR Water Operation Cases, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. JCCP 5117 (formerly Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority et al. v. California Department of Water Resources et al., Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 20CECG01303) (SWP EIR Challenge)
 - K. AquAlliance et al. v. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, et al., U.S. District Court, E.D. Cal., Case No. 1:20-cv-00878-DAD-EPG (Long-Term Water Transfers EIS/EIR)
 - L. Winnemem Wintu Tribe et al. v. State Water Resources Control Board et al., Merced County Superior Court, Case No. 21CV-02721 (GBP Waste Discharge Requirements)
 - M. SWRCB Administrative Hearing Office: County of San Joaquin Application for Permit to Appropriate Water from the South Fork American River at the Freeport Regional Water Authority Facility on the Sacramento River, Pending Application A029657 (SJC Permit Application Protest)
 - N. AquAlliance et al. v. San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, Merced County Superior Court, Case No. 21-CV-03487 (Long-Term Water Transfers EIS/EIR Addendum)
22. Return to Open Session / Report from Closed Session, if any Required by Government Code Section 54957.1
23. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3)

24. ADJOURNMENT

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