



**San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority  
Monday, July 8, 2024, 12:00 p.m.**

**Notice of Finance & Administration Committee Regular Meeting and  
Joint Finance & Administration Committee Regular Meeting-Special Board  
Workshop**

**SLDMWA Boardroom  
842 6th Street, Los Banos**

**Public Participation Information**

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Because the notice provides for a regular meeting of the Finance & Administration Committee ("FAC") and a joint regular FAC Meeting/Special Board workshop, Board Directors/Alternates may discuss items listed on the agenda; however, only FAC Members/Alternates may correct or add to the agenda or vote on action items.

NOTE FURTHER: Meeting materials have been made available to the public on the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority's website, <https://www.sldmwa.org>, and at the Los Banos Administrative Office, 842 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Banos, CA 93635.

**Agenda**

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

## **ACTION ITEMS**

4. **Approval of June 3, 2024 Meeting Minutes**
5. **Recommendation to Board of Directors to Ratify Change Order for \$16,674.10, Resulting in Total Expenditure of \$214,074.10 for Dive Services Utilizing Emergency Reserve Funds, Arroyave**
6. **Recommendation to Board of Directors to Adopt Resolution Authorizing Execution of Agreement for Services and Equipment for O'Neill Pumping/Generator Plant Unit Upgrades Project, Adoption of Single Source Procurement Justification, and Related Expenditure of up to \$1,796,000 from the FY23 EO&M Budget, Arroyave/McNeil**

## **REPORT ITEMS**

7. Update on Pending Fiscal Year 2023 Power Costs, Tarka
8. Update on Adjustment to Water Year 2024 OM&R Water Rates, Barajas/Tarka
9. Report on Historical Analysis of Deliveries Through San Luis Joint Use Facilities, Tarka
10. FY25 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 5/31/24
11. FY25 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 5/31/24
12. Procurement Activity Reports
13. Executive Director's Report, Barajas  
(May include reports on activities within the Finance & Administration Committee's jurisdiction 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)
14. Committee Member Reports
15. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3)
16. ADJOURNMENT

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**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY  
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AND  
JOINT FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING-SPECIAL  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP  
MINUTES FOR JUNE 3, 2024**

The Finance & Administration Committee of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority convened at approximately 12:00 p.m. at 842 6th Street in Los Banos, California, with Chair Anthea Hansen presiding.

**Members and Alternate Members in Attendance**

**Ex Officio**

Cannon Michael  
William Bourdeau

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Chair/Member

**Division 2**

Justin Diener, Member

**Division 3**

Chris White, Member

**Division 4**

Dana Jacobson, Member

**Division 5**

Bill Pucheu, Member - Manny Amorelli, Alternate

**Friant Water Authority**

Wilson Orvis, Alternate

**Board of Directors Present**

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Director

**Division 2**

Justin Diener, Alternate Director  
William Bourdeau, Director

**Division 3**

Chris White, Alternate  
Cannon Michael, Chair/Director

**Division 4**

Absent

**Division 5**

Bill Pucheu, Director  
Manny Amorelli, Director

**Authority Representatives Present**

Federico Barajas, Executive Director  
Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer  
Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director

Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel  
Rebecca Harms, Deputy General Counsel  
Raymond Tarka, Director of Finance  
Lauren Viers, Accounting Manager  
Jaime McNeill, Engineering Manager  
Chauncey Lee, O&M Manager  
Jacob Bejarano, Senior Civil Engineer  
Stewart Davis, IT Officer

**Others in Attendance**

None

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Chair Anthea Hansen called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00 p.m. and roll was called.

**2. Additions or Corrections to the Agenda**

No additions or corrections.

**3. Opportunity for Public Comment**

No public comment.

**4. Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Approval of the April 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes.**

Chair Anthea Hansen deemed the May 13, 2024 meeting minutes approved as corrected.

**REPORT ITEMS**

**5. Update on San Luis Joint Use Facilities O&M Rates**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reviewed a memo regarding San Luis Joint Use Facilities O&M Rates with the committee. As described by Tarka, this memo outlines a request received by a member to review the billing process for San Luis Joint Use (SLJU). Tarka began by providing a brief background on the SLJU costs along with a 5-year cost comparison. Tarka stated that the SLJU rate component is calculated based on a budget provided by DWR. DWR is then supposed to bill the Water Authority on a quarterly basis on actual costs incurred. However, since COVID, understaffing has resulted in a delay in billings. Under the current process, the Water Authority is facing the challenge of under-collection due to the inaccuracies associated with DWR budget and estimated deliveries. Tarka further explained that the under-collection has not currently created a cash flow issue since DWR billings have been delayed, but if billings become

timely this may cause cash flow issues going forward. Tarka answered Committee member questions throughout the update.

**6. Update on DMC Emergency Repairs**

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave provided an update on two completed DMC emergency repair projects, including a brief background and information regarding the use of funding from the emergency reserves. Arroyave then referred to Senior Civil Engineer Jacob Bejarano, who presented a slide show showing storm damage along the DMC. Bejarano then explained the cost and time breakdown along with an outline of the repair. Authority staff answered questions throughout the presentation.

**7. FY23 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 4/30/2024**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the Budget to Actual Report through April 30, 2024 for the Activity Agreement funds. Tarka stated for the two-month period, the budget was trending positive overall with actual spending ending April 30, 2024 at 5.06% of the approved budget.

**8. FY23 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 4/30/2024**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported that for WY24, the self-funded routine O&M expenses through April 30, 2024 were over budget by \$585,624. This is mainly due to the timing of expenditures for O&M expenses in most cost pools and labor expenses that will not be allocated to specific projects until later in the year. The water year 2022 final accountings, fiscal year 2023 audit, and the Intertie OM&R true-up remain outstanding.

**9. Procurement Activity Report**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the procurement activity report for the period of May 1, 2024 through May 31, 2024. During this period, there was one contract awarded under the Authority's single source bid procedures. On May 14<sup>th</sup>, a contract was awarded to Frank A. Olsen for O'Neill Pumping Plant water cooling Kinney strainers. The contract amount is \$123,921 and the funding source is the EO&M budget. No change orders were reported during this time.

**10. Executive Director's Report.** Executive Director Federico Barajas provided the following updates:

- a. **O'Neill Scheduled Outage** – Executive Director Federico Barajas introduced Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave to provide a brief update. The current O'Neill scheduled outage has been postponed. Arroyave stated that they are looking into four shorter outages to complete the project throughout the year rather than one longer outage. More details to come as additional planning and coordination takes place with Reclamation.
- b. **Funding Announcement** –Barajas reported that Reclamation has awarded the B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project \$75 million in funding in addition to the \$95 million already awarded.
- c. **Compensation Survey Year** – Barajas informed the committee that the Water Authority is going into a compensation survey year. A contract has been awarded to help the Authority provide an independent assessment.
- d. **JPA Amendment** – Barajas reminded the committee that action on the JPA amendment is needed by home boards in order to implement items outlined in the MOU with Friant Water Authority.

**11. Committee Member Reports**

No reports.

**12. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Sec 54954.2**

No reports.

**13. Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:09 p.m.