



**San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority  
Monday, October 3, 2022, 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  
(List of Member/Alternate Telephonic Locations Attached)**

**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.

**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. **Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Approval of the September 12, 2022 Meeting**

## Minutes

5. **Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors Regarding Reallocation of FY 2023 OM&R Budget Funds, Associated Payment to Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates, Inc.**

## **REPORT ITEMS**

6. Discussion Regarding FY 2024 Budget Development Process
7. Discussion Regarding FY 2023 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Aging Infrastructure Application for CVP Transferred and Reserved Works
8. Discussion Regarding Cost Allocation of Various Activity/Fund Budgets
9. FY23 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 8/31/22
10. FY23 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 8/31/22
11. Procurement Activity Report
12. 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; 6) COVID-19 response)
13. Committee Member Reports
14. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3)
15. ADJOURNMENT

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SLDMWA FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING  
TELEPHONIC LOCATIONS  
September 12, 2022

James Irrigation District  
8749 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
San Joaquin, CA 93660-0757

**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY  
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AND  
JOINT FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING / SPECIAL  
BOARD WORKSHOP  
MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2022**

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 Board Chair Cannon Michael presiding.

**Members and Alternate Members in Attendance**

**Ex Officio**

Cannon Michael

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Alternate for Rick Gilmore

**Division 2**

Bobbie Ormonde, Member

**Division 3**

Chris White, Member

**Division 4**

Jeff Cattaneo, Member - Dana Jacobson, Alternate

**Division 5**

Manny Amorelli, Alternate for Bill Pucheu (ZOOM, joined at item #5)

**Friant Water Authority**

Wilson Orvis, Alternate for Jason Phillips

**Board of Directors Present**

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Director

**Division 2**

None

**Division 3**

Chris White, Director

Cannon Michael, Director

**Division 4**

Jeff Cattaneo, Director

**Division 5**

Manny Amorelli, Director (ZOOM)

**Authority Representatives Present**

Federico Barajas, Executive Director

Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer

Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director  
Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel  
Raymond Tarka, Director of Finance  
Lauren Viers, Accountant III  
Cindy Meyers, Special Programs Manager  
Stewart Davis, IT Officer

**Others in Attendance**

None

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

Ex Officio Member and Acting Committee Chair Cannon Michael called the meeting to order, 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 August 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes.**

On a motion made by Alternate Member Anthea Hansen, seconded by Alternate Member Wilson Orvis, the Committee approved the August 1, 2022 meeting minutes. The vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Michael, Hansen, Ormonde, White, Cattaneo, Orvis
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None

**REPORT ITEMS**

**5. Discussion Regarding Proposed Actions to Mitigate Interest Rate Risk in Connection to SLDMWA Investment Policy.**

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave introduced the item and then referred to Director of Finance Raymond Tarka to provide background and further details on Water Authority investment options. Tarka went on to explain that the volatility of interest rates has had a negative impact on CalTrust investments due to underlying maturities. Because of this, Tarka suggests reallocating funds to reduce risk leaving \$1 million in each of the existing Medium and Short Term

CalTrust investment options and transferring the remaining \$24.7 million equally across the CalTrust Liquidity Fund, LEAF, and FedFund. Tarka stated that this would diversify the Authority's investment held with CalTrust and provide greater liquidity and safety from interest rate risk. As requested by the committee, after the funds are reallocated, Director of Finance Raymond Tarka will look further into treasury and agency notes as investment options.

**6. Discussion Regarding Funding for San Luis Transmission Project Support.**

Executive Director Federico Barajas presented the item. Barajas began by stating the Authority facilitated discussions between Golden State Energy (GSE), U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, and Western Area Power Administration together to ensure GSE was presenting their funding proposal directly to the federal agencies. Reclamation then assessed the proposal from GSE. Ultimately, after an exchange between Reclamation and GSE relating to Gianelli TAC, GSE withdrew their proposal. Subsequently, the Authority received a letter from Western Area Power Administration indicating they no longer have the ability to allocate resources to this project without a reliable funding scenario and will cease all work related to the project. Barajas stated that Authority staff will continue to monitor for any other developments going forward.

Barajas then referred to Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave to discuss the payment to Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates for their services on this project. Based on a recommendation from Committee Member Jeff Cattaneo, staff will bring this as an action item to board for approval prior to payment.

**7. Discussion Regarding Cost Allocation of Various Activity/Fund Budgets**

Executive Director Federico Barajas presented the item, stating that all documents presented at the August FAC meeting were also presented in the Water Resources Committee meeting. Staff is providing an opportunity for comment through September 26<sup>th</sup>. Draft proposals will then be updated to incorporate suggested changes and brought back to both the WRC and FAC committees for further review.

**8. FY23 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 7/31/2022**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported on the Budget to Actual Comparison Summary through July 31, 2022 for the member-funded activities. Tarka stated that for the five-month period, the budget was trending positive overall with actual spending through July 31, 2022 at 20.11% of the approved budget.

**9. FY23 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 7/31/22**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported that for WY22, the self-funded routine O&M expenses through July 31, 2022 were under budget by \$846,690. The water year 2020 and 2021 final accountings and the Intertie O&M cost recovery remain outstanding. Tarka stated that staff anticipates the completion of WY20 final accountings by the end of September.

**10. Procurement Activity Report**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the procurement activity report for the period of July 28, 2022 to September 6, 2022. There is no activity to report during this time.

**11. Executive Director's Report**

**a. DMC Subsidence Correction Project** - Executive Director Federico Barajas stated that Reclamation has completed their Design, Engineering and Construction Study on the DMC Subsidence Correction Project. Reclamation is currently undergoing the drafting of their findings.

**b. O'Neill Transformer Rehabilitation Project** - Executive Director Federico Barajas referred to Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave to update the committee on the item. Arroyave stated that after the Board approved the contract award, the contractor rescinded their bid and discussions were ceased based on action of the contractor. The Authority will seek new proposals in the future.

**12. Committee Member Reports**

No reports.

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

No reports given.

**14. Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:52 p.m.