



**San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority  
Monday, December 5, 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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**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 November 7, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

## **REPORT ITEMS**

5. Discussion Regarding Proposed Fiscal Year 2024 Activity Budget
6. Discussion Regarding Cost Allocation of Various Activity/Fund Budgets
7. FY23 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 10/31/22
8. FY23 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 10/31/22
9. Procurement Activity Report
10. 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)
11. Committee Member Reports
12. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3)
13. ADJOURNMENT

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SLDMWA FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING  
TELEPHONIC LOCATIONS  
December 5, 2022

Westlands Water District  
3130 N. Fresno Street  
Fresno, CA 93703

34240 Fremont Road  
Kirkwood, CA 95656

San Benito County Water District  
30 Mansfield Road  
Hollister, CA 95023

**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY  
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AND  
JOINT FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING / SPECIAL  
BOARD WORKSHOP  
MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 7, 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  
William Bourdeau

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Alternate for Rick Gilmore

**Division 2**

Bobbie Ormonde, Member (via ZOOM)

**Division 3**

Absent

**Division 4**

Jeff Cattaneo, Member  
Dana Jacobson, Alternate for Jeff Cattaneo

**Division 5**

Absent

**Friant Water Authority**

Wilson Orvis, Alternate for Jason Phillips

**Board of Directors Present**

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Director

**Division 2**

William Bourdeau, Director

**Division 3**

Cannon Michael, Director

**Division 4**

Jeff Cattaneo, Director

**Division 5**

None

**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, Accountant III  
Stewart Davis, IT Officer  
Bob Martin, Facilities O&M Director  
Jaime McNeill, Engineering Manager  
Chauncey Lee, O&M Manager  
Cathy Bento, Accountant II

**Others in Attendance**

Jim Erickson, Friant Water Authority  
Lea Emmons, City of Tracy  
Ara Azhderian, Panoche Water District  
John Wiersma, Henry Miller Reclamation District

**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 October 3, 2022 Meeting Minutes.**

On a motion made by Alternate Member Anthea Hansen, seconded by Alternate Member Wilson Orvis, the Committee approved the October 3, 2022 meeting minutes. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

**5. Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors to Accept the Treasurer's Report for the Quarter Ending September 30, 2022.**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka briefly reviewed the Treasurer’s Report. On a motion made by Ex Officio Member William Bourdeau, seconded by Alternate Member Anthea Hansen, the Committee accepted the Treasurer’s Report for the quarter ending September 30, 2022. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

**6. Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors to Adopt Resolution Authorizing Application for Extended Repayment and Funding in the Amount of \$841m from the Aging Infrastructure Account in Fiscal Year 2023 for Extraordinary Maintenance Work on Jones Pumping Plant and the Delta-Mendota Canal.**

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave referred to the memo and the printed PowerPoint presentation provided to the committee. Arroyave stated that the PowerPoint was from the October Reclamation meeting. Based on the outlined requirements, Authority staff is recommending submitting an application to fund the DMC Subsidence Correction Project and the Jones Pumping Plant Excitation Project. The application would request a 30-year repayment contract since any additional time would require an t ability to pay analysis. During presentation of the item, staff answered questions relating to allocation of payments under any repayment contract awarded in response to the application. On a motion made by Member Jeff Cattaneo, seconded by Alternate Member Anthea Hansen, the Committee authorized application for extended repayment and funding in the amount of \$841m from the Aging Infrastructure account in Fiscal Year 2023 for extraordinary maintenance work on Jones Pumping Plant and the Delta-Mendota Canal. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

**7. Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors to Approve the Fiscal Year 2024 OM&R Budget.**

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave introduced the item. Arroyave reviewed the updates made after the O&M Technical Committee meeting, such as office leases. Arroyave then provided a brief overview of the proposed budget, draft rates information, and salary placeholders. Alternate Member Wilson Orvis requested that a survey be taken prior to budget approval, including minimum participation if it is expected to be a dry/critical water year. On a motion made

by Alternate Member Wilson Orvis, seconded by Ex Officio Member William Bourdeau, the Committee recommended the Board of Directors approve the Fiscal Year 2024 OM&R Budget. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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

**REPORT ITEMS**

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

Executive Director Federico Barajas presented the item. Barajas stated that based on feedback received, the Hybrid 2a Revised option has been removed from the cost allocation worksheet. There are currently two tier allocation options. One version reflects the current assessment of approximately \$4 million and the second option which is based on a reduced budget cap of \$3.6 million. Barajas stated that the revised cost allocation options will be distributed to this committee, all members of Water Resources and the Board for review as well.

**9. FY23 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 9/30/2022**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported on the Budget to Actual Comparison Summary through September 30, 2022 for the member-funded activities. Tarka stated that for the six-month period, the budget was trending positive overall with actual spending through September 30, 2022 at 30.80% of the approved budget.

**10. FY23 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 9/30/22**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported that for WY22, the self-funded routine O&M expenses through September 30, 2022 were under budget by \$1,049,851. The water year 2020 and 2021 final accountings and the Intertie O&M cost recovery remain outstanding. Tarka stated that staff has completed WY20 final accounting calculations and will be sent out to members for review later this week.

**II. Procurement Activity Report**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the procurement activity report for the period of September 28<sup>th</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>. During this time, the Authority awarded one contract using informal bidding procedures, to Target Specialty Products for supply and delivery of pesticides. The contract amount was \$119,361.14 and the funding source is the RO&M budget.

There were no reported contract change orders issued during this period.

**12. Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Federico Barajas provided an update on a letter from Reclamation for the reserve works funding application dated October 31, 2022. The letter describes Reclamation's intent to pursue funding and includes a list of proposed reserved works projects.

**13. Committee Member Reports**

No reports.

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

No reports given.

**15. Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:59 p.m.