



**San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority  
Monday, August 7, 2023, 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. **Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Approval of July 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes**
5. **Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors to Accept the Treasurer's Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2023, Tarka**
6. **Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors to Approve Third Adjustment to Water Year 2023 OM&R Water Rates, Arroyave/Tarka**
7. **Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors to Accept the FY 2023 Audit Governance Letter, Tarka**
8. **Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Recommendation to Board of Directors to Adopt Staff Recommendation for Distribution of SFCWA Lower Yolo Ranch Project Funds (Refund Payment) Upon Receipt, Petersen/Tarka**

## **REPORT ITEMS**

9. FY24 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 6/30/23
10. FY24 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 6/30/23
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)
13. Committee Member Reports
14. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3)
15. 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 JULY 10, 2023**

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**

Absent

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Member - Lea Emmons, Alternate (arrived during item 9)

**Division 2**

Justin Diener, Member

**Division 3**

Chris White, Member - Jarrett Martin, Alternate

**Division 4**

Joyce Machado, Member - Dana Jacobson, Alternate

**Division 5**

Bill Pucheu, Member - Manny Amorelli, Alternate

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Wilson Orvis, Alternate for Jason Phillips

**Board of Directors Present**

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Director

Lea Emmons, Alternate (arrived during item 9)

**Division 2**

Justin Diener, Alternate

**Division 3**

Chris White, Alternate

Jarrett Martin, Director

**Division 4**

Steve Wittry, Director

Joyce Machado, Alternate

**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 (ZOOM)  
Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel  
Rebecca Harms, Deputy General Counsel  
Raymond Tarka, Director of Finance (ZOOM)  
Lauren Viers, Accountant III  
Stewart Davis, IT Officer

**Others in Attendance**

Gracie Chavez, Del Puerto Water District

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

Chair Anthea Hansen called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00pm 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 June 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes.**

On a motion made by Member Bill Pucheu, seconded by Alternate Member Wilson Orvis, the Committee approved the June 5, 2023 meeting minutes. The vote on the motion was as follows:

AYES:	Hansen, Diener, White, Machado, Pucheu, Orvis
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None

**REPORT ITEMS**

**5. Discussion Regarding Status of Future Adjustments to WY2023 OM&R Water Rates.**

Executive Director Federico Barajas introduced the item. Barajas described the rationale for postponing a potential WY2023 OM&R Water Rate adjustment to the August meetings. Barajas then referred to Director of Finance Raymond Tarka to provide an update on current water rates and the process for adjusting the rates.

**6. FY23 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 5/31/2023**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the Budget to Actual Report through May 31, 2023 for the Activity Agreement funds. Tarka stated that for the three-month period, the budget was trending positive overall with actual spending through May 31, 2023 at 11.14% of the approved budget.

**7. FY23 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 5/31/23**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported that for WY23, the self-funded routine O&M expenses through May 31, 2023 were under budget by \$77,253. This is mainly due to lower operating costs at all facilities excluding Intertie and O'Neill Pumping Plant. The water year 2021 final accountings and the Intertie OM&R true-up remain outstanding.

**8. Procurement Activity Report**

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the procurement activity report for the period of June 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>. There were no contracts awarded or contract change orders issued during this time.

**9. Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Federico Barajas provided two updates to the committee.

- a. **O'Neill Transformer Rehab Project**– Executive Director Barajas introduced the topic and referred to Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave to provide a status report on the project. The project is currently planned to take place during April-May of 2024. Authority staff will work with Reclamation to avoid/mitigate impacts to San Luis Reservoir storage.
- b. **B.F. Sisk Dam Raise and Reservoir Expansion Project** – Executive Director Barajas stated the Authority is continuing to work closely with the Activity Agreement Members and Reclamation to fully understand requirements associated with the design phase of the project.

**10. Committee Member Reports**

No reports.

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

No reports.

**12. Adjournment.**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:27 p.m.