

L&HR Committee

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**Legal and Human Resources
Committee**

Meeting with Board of Directors*

September 9, 2008

8:00 a.m. -- Room 2-145

Tuesday, September 9, 2008 Meeting Schedule		
7:00-8:00 a.m.	Rm. 2-413	Dir. Computer Training
8:00 a.m.	Rm. 2-145	L&HR
9:30 a.m.	Rm. 2-456	C&L
11:00 a.m.	Board Room	Executive
12:00 p.m.	Board Room	Board Meeting
1:00 p.m.	Rm. 2-145	IRP

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* The Metropolitan Water District's Legal and Human Resources Committee meeting is noticed as a joint committee meeting with the Board of Directors for the purpose of compliance with the Brown Act. Members of the Board who are not assigned to the Legal and Human Resources Committee may participate as members of the Board, whether or not a quorum of the Board is present. In order to preserve the function of the committee as advisory to the Board, members of the Board who are not assigned to the Legal and Human Resources Committee will not vote on matters before the Legal and Human Resources Committee.

1. **Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction** (As required by Gov. Code § 54954.3(a).)
2. **Approval of the Minutes of the meetings of the Legal and Human Resources Committee held August 19 and 26, 2008**
3. **CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS — ACTION**
 - 7-3 [Approve amendments to Administrative Code.](#)
Approve amendments to Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to conform to current laws and practices and make corrections. (L&HR)

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS — ACTION

- 8-4 [Authorize increase in contract for legal services in Central Basin Municipal Water District v. Metropolitan.](#)
Report on *Central Basin Municipal Water District v. Metropolitan Water District*, LASC Case No. BS114382; and authorize increase of \$525,000 for a total of \$625,000 in maximum amount payable under contract with Bingham McCutchen to defend Metropolitan. (L&HR)
[Conference with legal counsel—existing litigation; may be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(a)]
- 8-5 [Approve acquisition of easements for North Reach of the Perris Valley Pipeline Project.](#)
Approve settlement amount for the acquisition of easements for the North Reach of the Perris Valley Pipeline Project. (L&HR)
[Conference with real property negotiators; agency negotiators: Joseph Vanderhorst and Tom Campbell; negotiating parties: Western Municipal Water District and LNR Riverside II, LLC; under negotiations: price and terms of payment; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.8]

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. General Counsel's report of monthly activities
- b. Human Resources' report of monthly activities
- c. Report on *Watershed Enforcers a project of California Sportsfishing Protection Alliance v. L. Ryan Broddrick and California Department of Fish and Game; California Department of Water Resources and Lester A. Snow real parties in interest*, Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG07326290; *Watershed Enforcers v. California Department of Water Resources*, Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG06292124; *Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Assoc., et al. v. Carlos M. Gutierrez, et al.*, USDC Case No. 1:06-CV-00245 OWW LJO; and *Natural Resources Defense Council v. Kempthorne*, USDC Case No. 1:05-CV-01207 OWW LJO.
[Conference with legal counsel—existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Sections 54956.9(a) and (c)]
- d. Report on *Cadiz, Inc., etc. v. Metropolitan*, LASC Case No. BC343232.
[Conference with legal counsel—existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(a)]

7. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Underscored summary language at the beginning of each action item is provided for ease of reference only. Please refer to the entire description of each agenda item to obtain information on the subject matter under consideration.

At the discretion of the committee, all items appearing on this agenda, whether or not expressly listed for action, may be deliberated and may be subject to action by the committee.

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