



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT  
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

# MWD MEETING AGENDA

## REVISED AGENDA

### Regular Board Meeting

**March 11, 2014**

**12:00 p.m. -- Board Room**

#### Videoconference Participation:

500 New Jersey Avenue  
Suite 500  
Washington D.C. 20001

Tuesday, March 11, 2014 Meeting Schedule		
7:00-8:00 a.m.	Rm. 2-413	Dirs. Computer Training
8:30 a.m.	Board Room	L&C
10:00 a.m.	Rm. 2-456	C&L
12:00 p.m.	Board Room	Board Meeting

MWD Headquarters Building

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700 N. Alameda Street

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Los Angeles, CA 90012

### 1. Call to Order

- (a) Invocation: Elisa Giron, Human Resources Assistant, Human Resources Division
- (b) Pledge of Allegiance: Director Glenn Brown

### 2. Roll Call

### 3. Determination of a Quorum

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## PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. Public hearing to consider suspending the tax rate limitations in Section 124.5 of the Metropolitan Water District Act to maintain the ad valorem tax rate
  - 2. Comments on proposed water rates and charges
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**4. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. (As required by Gov. Code § 54954.3(a))**

**5. OTHER MATTERS**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting for February 11, 2014. (A copy has been mailed to each Director)  
Any additions, corrections, or omissions
- B. Report on Directors' events attended at Metropolitan expense for month of February
- C. Induction of new Director, Steve Blois, from Calleguas Municipal Water District
  - (a) Receive credentials
  - (b) Report on credentials by General Counsel
  - (c) File credentials
  - (d) Administer Oath of Office
  - (e) File Oath
- D. Induction of new Director, Yvonne Arceneaux, from city of Compton
  - (a) Receive credentials
  - (b) Report on credentials by General Counsel
  - (c) File credentials
  - (d) Administer Oath of Office
  - (e) File Oath
- E. Presentation of five-year service pin to Director Fern Steiner, representing San Diego County Water Authority
- F. Presentation of five-year service pin to Director Keith Lewinger, representing San Diego County Water Authority
- G. Approve committee assignments
- H. Chairman's Monthly Activity Report

**6. DEPARTMENT HEADS' REPORTS**

- A. General Manager's summary of Metropolitan's activities for the month of February
- B. General Counsel's summary of Legal Department activities for the month of February

- C. General Auditor's summary of activities for the month of February
- D. Ethics Officer's summary of activities for the month of February

## 7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS — ACTION

- 7-1** Grant conditional approval for 43rd Fringe Area Annexation to Western Municipal Water District and Metropolitan; and adopt resolution of intention to impose water standby charge. (F&I)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not subject to CEQA and is categorically exempt, and**

- a. **Grant conditional approval for the 43rd Fringe Area Annexation concurrently to Western and Metropolitan, conditioned upon receipt in full of annexation fee of \$228,595.58 to Metropolitan if completed by December 31, 2014, or if completed later, at the then-current annexation charge rate;**
- b. **Approve Western's Water Use Efficiency Compliance Statement with the current Water Use Efficiency Guidelines; and**
- c. **Adopt the resolution of intention to impose water standby charge within the proposed annexation territory, substantially in the form of Attachment 3 to the board letter.**

- 7-2** Adopt final resolutions for annexation and water standby charge levy for Annexation No. 98 to Calleguas Municipal Water District and to Metropolitan Water District. (F&I)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Review and consider information provided in the certified Final Environmental Impact Report and adopt the Lead Agency's findings related to the proposed actions, and**

- a. **Adopt resolution granting Calleguas' request for approval of Annexation No. 98 concurrently to Calleguas and Metropolitan and establish Metropolitan's terms and conditions for the annexation, conditioned upon approval by Ventura Local Agency Formation Commission, and upon receipt of annexation fee of \$487,059.66; and**
- b. **Adopt resolution to impose water standby charge at a rate of \$9.58 per acre, or per parcel of less than one acre, within the proposed annexation area.**

- 7-3** Appropriate \$900,000; and authorize two rehabilitation projects at the Joseph Jensen Water Treatment Plant (Approps. 15371 and 15442). (E&O)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is categorically exempt, and**

- a. Appropriate \$900,000; and**
- b. Authorize design to rehabilitate flocculators and traveling bridges at Jensen Modules Nos. 2 and 3.**

**(END OF CONSENT CALENDAR)**

**8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS — ACTION**

- 8-1** Appropriate \$32.5 million; and award \$22,888,888 contract to S. J. Amoroso Construction Co., Inc. to construct a chlorine containment system at Metropolitan's Chemical Unloading Facility (Approp. 15346). (E&O)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Determine that the proposed action has been previously addressed in the 2011 categorical exemptions, and**

- a. Appropriate \$32.5 million; and**
- b. Award \$22,888,888 contract to S. J. Amoroso Construction Co., Inc. to construct a containment system at the Chemical Unloading Facility.**

- 8-2** Appropriate \$8.5 million; and award \$5,946,507 contract to J. F. Shea Construction, Inc. for prestressed concrete cylinder pipe repairs on the Second Lower Feeder (Approp. 15471). (E&O)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is statutorily exempt, and**

- a. Appropriate \$8.5 million; and**
- b. Award \$5,946,507 contract to J. F. Shea Construction, Inc. for PCCP repairs on the Second Lower Feeder.**

- 8-3** Authorize entering into a Water Savings Incentive Program agreement with Altman Specialty Plants, Inc. to provide financial incentives for a water use efficiency project. (WP&S)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is categorically exempt and authorize entering into a Water Savings Incentive Program agreement with Altman Specialty Plants, Inc.**

Corrected

- 8-4** Authorize entering into agreement for a pilot program to fund water use efficiency measures for the Colorado River and approve payment of up to \$2 million. (WP&S)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not subject to CEQA, and**

- a. Authorize the General Manager to enter into an agreement for a pilot program for funding the creation of Colorado River system water through voluntary reductions in use on the terms described in the board letter and in a form approved by the General Counsel; and**
- b. Approve payment of up to \$2 million for partially funding the program.**

- 8-5** Authorize entering into a three-year agreement with Fraser Communications for regional communications and advertising services and media buys related to water awareness and conservation, not to exceed \$5.5 million annually. (C&L)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not subject to CEQA and authorize the General Manager to enter into a three-year contract with Fraser Communications for regional communications, including advertising services and media buys related to water awareness and conservation, not to exceed \$5.5 million annually.**

- 8-6** Express a watch position for H.R. 3964 (Valadao, R-CA) – Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley Emergency Water Delivery Act. (C&L)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not subject to CEQA and authorize the General Manager to take a watch position on H.R. 3964.**

- 8-7 Express support, if amended, for S. 2016 (Feinstein, D-CA) and H.R. 4039 (Costa, D-CA) – California Emergency Drought Relief Act of 2014. (C&L)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not subject to CEQA and authorize the General Manager to take support, if amended, positions on S. 2016 and H.R. 4039.**

- 8-8 Express support for SB 103 (Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) – Budget Act of 2013. (C&L)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not subject to CEQA and authorize the General Manager to support SB 103.**

- 8-9 Express support for SB 104 (Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) – Drought Relief. (C&L)

**Recommendation:**

**Option #1:**

**Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is not subject to CEQA and authorize the General Manager to support SB 104.**

**9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 9-1 Transmittal of Governor's California Water Action Plan. (WP&S)
- 9-2 Proposed Capital Investment Plan for fiscal years 2014/15 and 2015/16. (E&O)

## 10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

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