



## Westside Water Authority

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### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 1, 2021; 11:30 AM

Video Conference Link

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Call in line: (669) 224-3412

Access Code: 275-165-917#

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER – PRESIDENT ROB YRACEBURU

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board will be asked to review and may approve the Agenda as presented or change the order of Agenda items to accommodate scheduling or other needs of the Board, the public, or meeting participants. Members of the public are encouraged to arrive at the beginning of the meeting to ensure they are present for Board discussion or action regarding items of interest. The Board may also add Agenda items as provided under Government Code section 54954.2.

#### 3. SEATING OF OFFICERS

The Board will discuss and may take action on the seating of officers for the Westside Water Authority Board of Directors.

#### 4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

a. Public Hearing Regarding Adoption of the Westside Water Authority Conflict of Interest Code

Conduct a Hearing Regarding Adoption of the Westside Water Authority Conflict of Interest Code

b. Adopt the Westside Water Authority Conflict of Interest Code

#### 5. MINUTES

The Board will be asked to review and may approve the Minutes of the June 2, 2021, July 7, 2021, and August 4, 2021 Regular Board Meetings.

#### 6. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Board will hear reports and be asked to approve or consider action on the following items:

- a. Treasurer's Reports for July (approve);
- b. Warrants for July and August (ratify and approve); and
- c. Audit Activities (report).

## **7. WATER SUPPLY AND OPERATIONS REPORTS**

The Board will hear reports and may be asked to approve or consider action related to water supplies, water policies, water banking programs, exchanges, conveyance programs, acquisitions, power/energy use, operations, and/or water transfers for the following:

- a. 2021 Water Supplies;
- b. Dry Year Operations;
- c. Aqueduct Pump-back Project;
- d. Mojave Water Agency Transfer of Article 56 Carryover to Kern Westside Districts; and
- e. Mojave Multi Year Transfer and Draft Agreements with Participating Landowners.

## **8. STATE WATER PROJECT (“SWP”) ISSUES**

The Board will hear reports and may be asked to approve or consider actions related to the State Water Project, including:

- a. SWP Contract Extension Amendment;
- b. Delta Conveyance Facility;
- c. SWP Charges; and
- d. Other SWP issues.

## **9. REPORTS FROM OTHER MEETINGS**

The Board will hear reports and may be asked to approve or consider action related to the following organizations:

- a. Westside District Water Authority;
- b. Westside Water Quality Coalition; and
- c. South Valley Water Resources Authority.

## **10. OTHER AUTHORITY ISSUES**

The Board will hear reports and may be asked to approve or consider action related to the following items:

- a. Accounting Software;
- b. Pioneer Well R01 and R04 Replacement Project; and
- c. Grant Funding Opportunities.

## **11. REPORT OF COUNSEL**

The Board will hear reports and may be asked to approve or consider action related to current issues and legislation.

- a. Legislative Update; and
- b. Litigation Update.

## **12. PIONEER WELL R01 and R04 REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

The Board will hear reports and be asked to approve or consider action on the following items:

- a. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action Regarding the Agreement for the Pioneer Well R01 and R04 Replacement Project.

## **13. OTHER BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board will hear reports and be asked to approve or consider action on the following items:

- a. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action Regarding Consulting Agreement with Mary King.

## **14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – NON AGENDIZED ITEMS**

*Members of the public are permitted to address the Board on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Board, whether or not such items are on the agenda. If any such item is on the agenda, a member of the public may address such item before or during the Board's*

consideration of that item. To not unduly delay the meeting, individuals requesting the opportunity to address the Board are requested to keep their comments to a maximum of five minutes.

## 15. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

Closed Session Item Descriptions (Gov. Code, § 54956.8.)

- a. Real Property Negotiations (Govt. Code, § 54956.8): Negotiators are the General Manager and Legal Counsel. The price, terms, and conditions of the water transfer(s) with potential sellers are under negotiation.
- b. Conference with Legal Counsel (Gov. Code, § 54956.9.)
  1. Anticipated Litigation:
    - i. Gov. Code § 54956.9 (d)(2): One Matter
    - ii. Gov. Code § 54956.9 (d)(4): One Matter
  2. Existing Litigation:
    - i. *Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD et al. v. KCWA et al.*;  
Kern County Superior Court Case No. BCV-21-10418
- c. Public Employees (Gov. Code, § 54957)
  1. Employment  
Title: Assistant to Executive Director and Regulatory Manager

## 16. DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for October 6, 2021.

## 17. ADJOURNMENT

Notes:

- 1) **During the term of the Governor's State of Emergency declarations, District Board meetings may be accessed by Board members, staff, and the public via teleconference listed above.**
- 2) *Staff Reports and other disclosable public records related to open session agenda items are available at the District office located at 21908 Seventh Standard Road during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8AM to 5PM.*
- 3) *Any person with a qualifying disability under the American with Disabilities Act of 1990 may request that the District (1) make agendas available in appropriate alternative formats, and (2) provide a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, to participate in any public meeting of the Board of Directors. A request for modification or accommodation shall be made in person, or by telephone, facsimile or written correspondence to the General Manager at the District's office at least seven days before the public meeting for which the modification or accommodation is requested. The District will attempt to accommodate persons who make requests less than seven days before the public meeting.*

DECLARATION OF POSTING: I declare under penalty of perjury, that I am an Assistant Secretary of the Westside Water Authority Board of Directors and I caused the foregoing Agenda to be posted at the District Office on August 29, 2021. Telephone conferencing for the public to participate is available by dialing (669) 224-3412 and entering pass code 275-165-917#.



Kim Constant, Assistant Secretary of the Board