



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
JULY 17, 2024  
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Koster called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m. Board Members present were Daniel Bays, Jarod Lara, Pete Lucich, Zach Maring, and Kyle Perez.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

3. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Anthea requested the Closed Session Item 4. be delayed until the arrival of Board Member Jasper, who was en route to the BOD Meeting.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR (Taken Before Item 4)

The Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of June 19, 2024 and the Monthly Accounting and Field Operations Reports for June 2024 were provided in advance for the Board's review. The Board approved the Consent Calendar Items as follows:

Ayes: Koster, Bays, Perez, Lucich, Maring and Lara  
Nays: None  
Abstentions: None  
Absent: Jasper

Note: Board Member Jasper arrived at 8:41 a.m. and the Board went into Closed Session.

4. CLOSED SESSION (Taken After Item 4)

The Board met in Closed Session to receive a public employee performance evaluation. No reportable action was taken.

6. ACTION ITEMS

A. Board to Review and Consider Possible Action Regarding Employee Compensation

Anthea presented to the Board a suggested monthly compensation increase for the Deputy General Manager – Water Resources position in recognition of the process to train and transition the day-to-day responsibilities for District administration and operations. After review and discussion, the Board approved a \$1741 increase in monthly compensation for the Deputy General Manager – Water Resources position as follows:

Ayes: Koster, Bays, Perez, Jasper, Maring, Lara and Lucich  
Nays: None  
Abstentions: None  
Absent: None

B. Board to Review and Consider CalPERS FY 2024-25 Annual Unfunded Actuarial Liability Prepayment Option

Joyce provided and reviewed a Staff Report detailing the CalPERS FY 2024-25 Annual Unfunded Actuarial Liability Prepayment Option. After review and discussion, the Board approved prepaying the CalPERS FY 2024-25 Annual Unfunded Actuarial Liability as follows:

Ayes: Koster, Bays, Perez, Jasper, Maring, Lara and Lucich  
Nays: None  
Abstentions: None  
Absent: None

7. MANAGER'S REPORT

Anthea provided the SLDMWA July Update on Water Policy/Resources Activities. She reported that she would need to leave the meeting early to attend a meeting in Sacramento to discuss development of the Biological Opinions and the Voluntary Agreements organized by the San Luis and Delta-Mendota Water Authority and between certain North-of-Delta and South-of-Delta Contractors but would rejoin via telephone. She gave a brief update on DWR's Delta Conveyance Project activities, as well as a proposed State Water Bond before leaving the meeting.

8. WATER OPERATIONS & SUPPLY

A. CVP/SWP Operations

Adam provided and reviewed the 2023-24 San Luis Storage Projection Graph showing the 50% and 90% Exceedance Forecasts.

B. Monthly Supply/Use/Completed Transactions Summary Report as of 6.30.24

Paul provided and discussed the monthly Supply/Use/Completed Transactions Summary Report as of 6/30/24 and reported in-District use for the month of June was 14,494 AF with an additional 1,581 AF of transfers out. Year to date use and scheduled use for the 2024-25 water year totaled 96,203 AF, leaving 15,570 AF estimated for Rescheduling in to 2025-26.

C. 2024-25 Additional Supplies Update

Adam provided and discussed the 2024-25 Annual Additional Supplies Pool Report.

D. Landholding/Licensing Updates

Paul provided the June Active Permits and Licenses Report, which showed seven Active Permits and one Active License. Adam reported that the District had engaged in discussion with the SLDMWA regarding the removal of any non-BoR facilities or encroachments from the BoR Right-of-Way to facilitate construction for the DMC Subsidence Correction Project. Staff will continue to coordinate with the authority on this issue.

E. 2024-25 SLCC Transfer – Status Update

Anthea participated via telephone and reported that she continued to work with the various parties on the approvals needed for the assignment of the SLCC Transfer to Triangle T Water District.

9. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

A. Westside Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Activities

Adam provided the SLMDWA Activity Agreements – Staff Report for June and shared that the IRWM had requested no cost time extensions to September 30, 2025 for the Prop 1 Round 1 IRWM grant-funded portions for two of the five projects because local Project needed additional time to complete the projects. Anthea also shared that she was reviewing the Draft Amendment to the Agreement for the Round 1 SGMA Grant and that DWR wanted more information on why the projects need a time extension before providing the extension (item 9D).

B. SJVDA/Westside San Joaquin River Watershed Coalition Report(s)

Adam provided an Agenda from the July 2<sup>nd</sup> SJVDA Board of Directors meeting, as well as a Summers Engineering memo pertaining to Elevated Response Needed for Missed June 4, 2024 Focused Outreach Meeting. He reported that the Regional Water Quality Control Board was scrutinizing participation in focused outreach and annual meetings, and lack of participation in these meetings was becoming problematic. He reported that of the 10 growers invited to the Focused Outreach Meeting for Sediment Toxicity and Pyrethroid Exceedances for portions of the Marshall Road drain and Del Puerto Creek Watersheds, only 3 attended. In response to missed meetings and paperwork, the Board of Directors for the SJVDA gave direction to Summers Engineering to draft a policy that will establish a process to remove non-compliant coalition members from the coalition unless they meet specific reporting and meeting attendance deadlines.

C. Sustainable Groundwater Management Activities (SGMA)

Adam provided the comments submitted by the public and responses to the final GSP and reported that a majority of them were minor. A comment letter from Friant Water Authority that arrived after the deadline was also included and discussed. Adam also reported on the Domestic Well Mitigation Policy included in the GSP. Adam provided and discussed an Expenditure Report for Fund 64 FY 2025 Budget.

D. SGM Implementation Grant – Round 1 Monthly Grant Administrator Updates

This item was discussed with Item 9.A.

E. Groundwater Well Remote Telemetry Program (2023-24 WaterSMART Grant)

Adam provided communication with the Bureau of Reclamation concerning possible impacts to migratory birds during meter installation and reported that the District would suggest they complete meter installation outside the migratory bird nesting season. Should the District need to perform installations within the migratory bird nesting season, the District would conduct a pre-activity survey for nesting birds and raptors within 14 days prior to the initiation of Project activities.

10. FINANCIAL MATTERS

A. CVP Financial Matters

Anthea provided the CVPWA June/July Meeting Agenda and reported via telephone that the Bureau would be updating the FAC at the July 19<sup>th</sup> FAC meeting regarding the Regional Directors decision on how credits or debits resulting from the WIIN Act Contract Conversion Payoff will be handled.

B. FY '24 Financial Audit – Update

Joyce reported Staff were continuing work to provide all of the information required to support the Audit to JWT & Associates and that the Audit will be presented to the Board at the August or September BOD meeting.

C. February 29, 2024 GASB Accounting Report - Presentation

Joyce provided and discussed the MacLeod watts February 29, 2024 GASB 68 Accounting Report for the Measurement Period July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023.

11. SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

A. Orestimba Creek Recharge and Recovery Project – Update

Adam reported that maintenance on the pond had been completed by CCID. He also reported that the switchgear that was delayed until April 2025 could be delivered as soon as November 2024, allowing for final completion of the construction of the pumping plant.

B. Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project – Update

Anthea provided and discussed via telephone the Woodard and Curran Progress Reports for April and May 2024 and reported that discussions continued on roadway alternatives.

C. Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project

Anthea provided and discussed via telephone the Los Vaqueros Joint Powers Authority Update and reported that by October, the District should have a better understanding of what the LVREP will be able to offer in terms of benefits and costs.

D. BF Sisk Dam Raise Project – Update

Anthea reported via telephone that negotiations were ongoing with the Bureau and progress was being made. She reported that the Bureau was scheduling another negotiation session later in the month.

E. Ceres – DPWD – Turlock Discussions on Advancing Recycled Water into NVRWWP Facilities – Update

Anthea reported via telephone that Ceres hired a consultant to study the possibility of building their own wastewater treatment plant and that the District would be meeting in the next couple of weeks with Ceres Staff and their consultant to discuss the possibility of building a direct pipeline to the NVRWWP Pump Station.

F. Coordination with Local Agencies on Regional SGMA Projects - Update

Anthea reported via telephone that she met with Brad Koehn, newly appointed General Manager of Turlock Irrigation District. She reported that a meeting would be taking place soon between DPWD, TID, and the City of Modesto to discuss how to get more water to Modesto's treatment plant in order for them to fulfill their delivery requirement to the NVRWWP.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. Training Updates

Adam provided a list of outstanding requirements.

B. Staffing Updates

Adam reported that Staff would be updating the job description for the Programs Coordinator Position.

C. Local Hazard Mitigation Plan 5-Year Update

Adam provided and reviewed the District's "Draft" Updated Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. He reported that the primary changes in the Update included updated facts and figures, current mapping, and the likelihood of hazards occurring.

D. Zacharias-Baldwin Master Plan - Update

There was no update on this item.

13. SLDMWA REPORT

Adam provided the San Luis and Delta-Mendota Water Authority Board of Directors Regular Meeting held June 6<sup>th</sup> as well as the O&M Report for the Board to review.

14. ARTICLES / CORRESPONDENCE / PUBLIC OUTREACH

Articles from the California Farm Water Coalition, Family Farm Alliance, and a News Release from Westlands Water District on the 10% Allocation Increase were provided for the Board's review.

15. CLOSED SESSION

There was nothing to report on this item.

16. REPORTS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54954.2

There were no reports pursuant to Government Code 54954.2

17. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Anthea G. Hansen  
Secretary