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UNITED WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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AGENDA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, March 9, 2011, 12:00 P.M.
UWCD Board Room, 106 North 8th Street, Santa Paula, California

BOARD MATTERS

Normally, Action (Motion) Items and Consent Items will be considered and acted upon separately, and Information Items will be considered separately without action.

1. FIRST OPEN SESSION 12:00 P.M.

Items to be discussed in Executive (Closed) Session will be announced.

1.1 Public Comments
Information Item

The public may address the Board on any matter on the Consent Calendar or otherwise not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Board. All comments are subject to a five minute time limit.

1.2 EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION 12:05 P.M.

The Board will discuss matters outlined on the attached Exhibit A.

2. SECOND OPEN SESSION AND CALL TO ORDER 1:00 P.M.

2.1 Pledge of Allegiance

2.2 Public Comment
Information Item

The public may address the Board on any matter on the Consent Calendar or otherwise not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Board. All comments are subject to a five minute time limit.

2.3 Approval of Agenda
Motion

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**2.4 Oral Report Regarding Executive (Closed) Session
Information Item**

To be given by District Counsel Tony Trembley.

**2.5 Board Communication
Information Item**

Board members may present non-agenda information including, but not limited to, the following: 1) meetings, workshops, conferences and functions attended during the previous month on behalf of the District; 2) meetings, workshops, conferences and functions Directors plan to attend in the upcoming months; and 3) possible conflicts that Directors might have with respect to issues on the Agenda.

**2.6 2011 Richard V. Laubacher Water Conservation Award
Motion**

The Board will consider award of the Laubacher Award at the 2011 AWA Symposium on April 21.

2.7 Adoption of Ordinance No. 16 to Increase Compensation of the Board of Directors (Roll Call Vote)

Motion

The Board will consider adoption of Ordinance No. 16, introduced at the Board public hearing of February 9, 2011, to increase to Board member compensation from \$162.50 to \$170.60 per day. The increase in cost to the District is estimated to be approximately \$2,400 annually, and Ordinance No. 16 would be effective May 9, 2011, 60 days from the date of adoption.

2.8 District Committee Calendar

Motion

The Board will consider approval of a 2011 calendar for meetings of the Board's standing committees.

2.9 Recognition of the Retirement of Helen Smith

Information Item

The Board will recognize Helen Smith, who is retiring March 31 after 22 years as District staff.

2.10 General Manager's Monthly Report

Information Item

The General Manager will present information of possible interest to the Board and consequence to the District, including but not limited to the following:

- Status report on Water Managers Group
- Upper Santa Clara River Chloride TMDL and Alternative Water Resources Management update

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- Outreach/meetings attended by the General Manager
- District governance including policy and regulatory matters
- Updates on local, state and federal water issues
- Project priorities and planning
- Announcements of upcoming events and meetings
- Fox Canyon GMA and other outside agency updates

2.11 Update on City of Oxnard's GREAT Project and UWCD Participation
Motion

The General Manager and Groundwater Policy Manager will provide a status report on the City of Oxnard's Groundwater Recovery Enhancement and Treatment (GREAT) Project, discussions and planning efforts by the Water Managers Group, staff's recommendation for the District's short-term involvement in the GREAT Project and groundwater policy considerations relating to the project. The Board is requested to provide direction and guidance to staff on the District's future participation in the GREAT Project.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR: All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless an item is pulled by a Board member from the Calendar. Pulled items will be discussed and acted on separately by the Board. Members of the public who want to comment on a Consent Calendar item should do so under Public Comments. (ROLL CALL VOTE REQUIRED)

A. Approval of Minutes

Motion

Approval of the minutes of the regular Board meeting of February 9, 2011 and special board meeting of February 24, 2011.

B. Monthly Investment Report

Information Item

Report on the District's investments and the availability or restriction of these funds. All investments are in compliance with the District's investment policy, which is reviewed and approved annually by the Board.

C. Groundwater Basin Status Reports

Information Item

Summary of hydrologic information from throughout the District including monthly and annual cumulative precipitation, recharge, diversions and basin specific groundwater levels, groundwater storage and current studies.

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- D. Resolution No. 2011-05 Fisheries Restoration Grant Program Application**
Motion
Authorization of the District to apply for funds from the Department of Fish and Game's Fisheries Restoration Grant Program.
- E. Consider Authorizing a Change Order for Agreement with Thomas R. Payne and Associates to Continue Preparation of FERC Required Plans at an Additional Cost Not to Exceed \$19,000**
Motion
Authorization of the General Manager to execute a change order to a professional services agreement with Thomas R. Payne and Associates for development of two plans, "Water Release and Effectiveness Monitoring Plan" and "Adaptive Management Plan", at a cost not to exceed \$19,000.
- F. Consider Authorizing the General Manager to Execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for Undertaking a Joint Hydraulic Modeling Project**
Motion
Authorization of the General Manager to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to undertake a joint hydraulic modeling project in support of the habitat conservation plan and FERC license compliance.
- G. Approve Additional Scope of Work for the Santa Paula Office Space Needs Feasibility Analysis and Authorize a Supplemental Budget Appropriation in the Amount of \$5,000**
Motion
Approval of an additional scope of work for the Santa Paula office space needs feasibility analysis and authorization of a supplemental budget appropriation in the amount of \$5,000 bringing the total project budget to \$15,000.

4. RESOURCE PLANNING – Jim Kentosh/Catherine McCalvin

4.1 Monthly Water Resource Planning Report – Jim Kentosh
Information Item

Staff will give its monthly report on ongoing engineering, environmental and planning studies; status of grants; water rights, water resource planning studies, management plans, recharge projects, recycled water, and related issues; the Riverpark JPA; issues pertaining to District properties; and public outreach.

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4.2 Alternative Water Resources Management Program Status Report – Jim Kentosh

Motion

Staff will present an update and the Board will be asked to provide direction to staff with respect to status of the Alternative Water Resources Management Plan (AWRM) developed to lower high chloride levels in the Santa Clara River at the Los Angeles-Ventura County line and possible actions by the District.

4.3 Monthly Environmental Issues – Catherine McCalvin

Information Item

Staff will give a monthly report on environmental and regulatory issues of note over the past month. The report will include operations of the fish ladder at the Freeman Diversion, various monitoring efforts, and issues associated with the Endangered Species Act, including the Section 10 HCP process and compliance with the District's FERC license/Biological Opinion.

4.4 Consider Approval of New Environmental Division Position and Authorize FY 2010-11 Supplemental Budget Appropriation of \$7,150 - Catherine McCalvin (Roll Call Vote)

Motion

The Board will consider a reorganization of the Resource Planning Department's Environmental Division, including creation of a new position, authorization of a FY 2010-11 supplemental budget appropriation of \$7,150, and direction to staff to initiate the recruitment and hiring process.

4.5 Consider Authorization of Supplemental Budget Appropriation in the Amount of \$122,000 for Development of the Study Plan for Assessing Passage at Santa Felicia Dam and to Enter into an Agreement with Three Consulting Firms at a Cost Not to Exceed \$184,000 for Completion of the Study Plan - Catherine McCalvin (Roll Call Vote)

Motion

The Board will consider authorization of supplemental funding in the amount of \$122,000 to begin development of the study plan for assessing passage at Santa Felicia Dam and authorization of the General Manager to execute a professional services agreement with HDR Inc., R2 Consultants Inc., and Ken Kozmo Bates to complete this work, at a cost not to exceed \$184,000.

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**5. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT – Mary Lindley
Administration Services**

**5.1 Administrative Services Department Report
Information Item**

Staff will present an update on Administration Division activities including, but not limited to District organizational issues and recommendations, policies and procedures, human resources and budget matters, Lake Piru Recreation Area administration, administrative contracts and agreements, and risk management.

Finance Division – Christine Williams

**5.2 Monthly Finance Division Report
Information Item**

Staff will present a report of monthly Finance Division activities including budget and financial statement matters, groundwater and other District revenues, groundwater extraction credits and fiscal impact analysis.

Park & Recreation Division – Clayton Strahan

**5.3 Park & Recreation Division Report
Information Item**

Staff will give a report on operations and items of note relative to the Lake Piru Recreation Area. Items may include but not be limited to discussion of camping and boating policies at the lake, financing and status of facility improvement projects, maintenance activities, security issues and emergency response activities.

Outreach & Legislative Report – Ken Breitag

**5.4 Outreach & Legislative Report
Information Item**

Staff will give a report on outreach activities and legislative issues of note for the District over the past month.

6. ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT - John Dickenson

**6.1 Monthly Engineering Department Report
Information Item**

Staff will give a report on the status of various Engineering Department programs including design and construction projects at District facilities, engineering investigations, capital improvement projects and property issues, and Santa Felicia Dam issues.

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7. GROUNDWATER DEPARTMENT – Tony Morgan/Steve Bachman

7.1 Groundwater Policy Manager Report – Steve Bachman

Information Item

The Groundwater Policy Manager will present information of possible interest to the Board and consequence to the District, including but not limited to the following:

- Status report on hydrologic conditions to statewide/locally
- Upper Santa Clara River Chloride TMDL and Alternative Water Resources Management update
- Outreach/meetings attended by the Groundwater Policy Manager
- Groundwater policy and regulatory matters
- Updates on local, state and federal water issues
- Fox Canyon GMA and other outside agency updates

7.2 Monthly Groundwater Departmental Report – Tony Morgan

Information Item

Staff will present a report of monthly Groundwater Department activities, including but not limited to, technical activities associated with grant applications, the Santa Paula TAC, AB3030 Piru/Fillmore Groundwater Management Council, and preparation of the Salt and Nutrient Management Plan.

7.3 Groundwater Flow Model Status Report

Information Item

Staff will provide an update on the regional groundwater model.

8. OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT – Tony Blankenship

8.1 Monthly Operations Report and Reading File

Information Item

Staff will give its monthly report on the operations and maintenance of District facilities including Santa Felicia Dam and hydroplant, the Piru Spreading Grounds, the Freeman Diversion Dam, the Saticoy and El Rio Spreading Grounds, the Pleasant Valley and Pumping Trough Pipeline systems, and the Oxnard-Hueneme system. The report covers operating plans, the quantity and quality of water diverted and delivered, fish ladder status, major maintenance problems and repairs, status of O&M projects and safety and training issues.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Board will adjourn to the next **Regular Board Meeting on Wednesday, April 13, 2011** or call of the President.

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All testimony given before the Board of Directors is recorded.

Materials which are non-exempt public records and are provided to the Board of Directors to be used in consideration of the above agenda items, including any documents provided subsequent to the publishing of this agenda, are available for inspection at the District's offices at 106 North 8th Street in Santa Paula during normal business hours.

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Approved: EMS

Posted: (date) 3/3/11 (time) 3:05 p.m. (attest) Michelle Kinnun
At: United Water Conservation District Headquarters, 106 No. 8th St., Santa Paula, CA
Posted: (date) 3/3/11 (time) 3:15 p.m. (attest) Michelle Kinnun
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EXHIBIT A
CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Personnel Matters, Litigation Matters
and Real Property Negotiations

1. LITIGATION MATTERS

1.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9 (b):
No cases

1.2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Initiation of Litigation

Possible initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code 54956.9 (c): 1 case

1.3 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9 (a)

- A. Jaime Arredondo, Florencia Alvarez Gomez, et. al. v. Recreation Resource Management, United Water Conservation District, Ventura County Superior Court Case No. 56-2009-00363703-CU-PO-VTA.

2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8.

2.1 Property: District property occupied by Standard Industries, Portion of Assessor Parcel Number 128-0-040-200

Agency Negotiators: Mike Solomon, Tony Trembley

Negotiating Parties: Standard Industries

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

2.2 Property: Rancho Temescal property below Santa Felicia Dam, Portions of Assessor Parcel Numbers 016-0-210-020, 055-0-080-060, 055-0-080-070, 055-0-070-020, and 055-0-070-0230

Agency Negotiators: Mike Solomon, Tony Trembley, Catherine McCalvin

Negotiating Parties: Tim Cohen, Rancho Temescal

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of access