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UNITED WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
“Conserving Water since 1927”

General Manager  
Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr.

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David D. Boyer

**AGENDA**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 10, 2018, 12:00 P.M.**  
**Board Room, UWCD G.I. “Irv” Wilde Headquarters**  
**106 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Paula, California**

**BOARD MATTERS**

*Normally, Action (Motion) Items will be considered and acted upon separately; Consent Items will be considered and acted upon collectively, although a Consent Item may be considered and acted upon separately; and Information Items will be considered separately without action.*

*The Board of Directors in its discretion may change the order of agenda items.*

**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**

Members of the public may address the Board on any matter on the Closed Session agenda or on any non-agenda item 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 in the attached Executive (Closed) Session Agenda (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**

Members of the public may address the Board on any item on the Consent Calendar or on any non-agenda item within the jurisdiction of the Board. No action will be taken by the Board on any non-agenda item. 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**  
Presented by District Legal Counsel David D. Boyer.
- 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 General Manager's Report  
Information Item**  
The General Manager will present information on his activities of possible interest to the Board and that may have consequence to the District.
- 2.7 Mid-Year Review – Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr.  
Information Item**
- 2.8 Election of Officers  
Motion Item**  
The Board will accept nominations and elect officers for 2018.
- 2.9 Staff Service Awards for the Year 2017  
Information Item**  
The Board will present service awards to staff.
- 3. CONSENT CALENDAR: All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member pulls an item 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 for the Regular Board meeting of December 13, 2017, Special Board Meeting of December 13 and Special Board Meeting of December 18, 2017.
  - B. Groundwater Basin Status Reports  
Information Item**  
Receive and file Monthly Hydrologic Conditions Report for the District.

**C. Monthly Investment Report**

**Information Item**

Receive and file 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.

**4. MOTION ITEMS (By Department)**

**Administrative Department – Christy Ramirez and Tina Rivera**

**4.1 Award District Banking Services**

**Motion**

Board to consider awarding banking services to Bank of the Sierra.

**Engineering Department – Jim Grisham**

**4.2 Authorize Contract with Stantec to develop a vertical slot fish ladder as a Freeman Diversion Fish Passage Facility alternative**

**Motion**

Board to consider authorizing the General Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Stantec Consulting Services Inc. (Stantec) in the amount of \$179,000 to provide analysis of a vertical slot fish ladder as a Freeman Diversion Fish Passage Facility alternative.

**4.3 Proposed Option and Easement Terms between United Water Conservation District (“Owner”) and (“Grantor”) and Wellhead Energy, LLC (“Wellhead”) and (“Grantee”) Granting Wellhead Energy, LLC, an Exclusive Option for an Air Space Rights Easement for a Potential Electricity Generation Facility and Permission to Apply to Southern California Edison for an Interconnection Feasibility Study**

**Motion**

Board to consider approving the Proposed Option and Easement Terms between United Water Conservation District (“Owner”) and (“Grantor”) and Wellhead Energy, LLC (“Wellhead”) and (“Grantee”) granting Wellhead Energy, LLC, an exclusive option for an Air Space Rights Easement for a potential electricity generation facility and permission to apply to Southern California Edison for an interconnection feasibility study.

**5. PRESENTATIONS AND MONTHLY STAFF REPORTS (By Department)**

**Administration Services – Tina Rivera and Christy Ramirez**

**5.1 Monthly Administrative Services Department Report – Tina Rivera  
Information Item**

Staff will report on Administration Department activities including issues associated with budget development, financial performance versus budget plan, financial accounting requirements and procedures, potential debt issuance and related financial services, status of District investments and reserves, updates on its capital improvement programs, human resources and safety, District property and facilities maintenance and administration, the search for new District offices, District records and reports, groundwater extraction statements administration, risk management and District liability insurance matters, management of District contracts, policy development, governance procedures, and supporting activities of Board and staff.

**Outreach, Legislative, Grants and Training Report – Christy Ramirez**

**5.2 Outreach, Legislative, Grants and Training Report  
Information Item**

Staff will report on outreach activities, newly proposed legislation for 2018, pending and chaptered state and federal legislation, state and federal legislative issues of note for the District over the past month, potential grants/grant activity, and staff and director training. The report may include information with regard to implementation and follow-up legislation concerning the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014.

**Engineering Department – Jim Grisham**

**5.3 Monthly Engineering Department Report  
Information Item**

Staff will report on various water resources, planning efforts and department programs affecting the District, including, but not limited to design and construction; dam safety; FERC license compliance; Freeman Diversion; recycled water; pipeline operations and various engineering analysis.

**Environmental Planning and Conservation Department – Anthony Emmert**

**5.4 Monthly Environmental Planning and Conservation Department Report**

**Information Item**

Summary report on environmental and regulatory issues of note to the District. The report will include water releases, operations of the fish ladder at the Freeman Diversion, various monitoring efforts, study plans and issues associated with the Endangered Species Act, including the Section 10 MSHCP process, future fish passage requirements, compliance with the District's FERC license/Biological Opinion, the Santa Felicia Dam, studies and operations in and near Piru Creek, any interactions with Rancho Temescal and Rancho Camulos.

**5.5 Quagga Mussel Management Efforts Update**

**Information Item**

Summary report on the ongoing management and monitoring efforts related to the Lake Piru quagga mussel infestation.

**Groundwater Department – Tony Morgan**

**5.6 Monthly Groundwater Department Report**

**Information Item**

Summary report on monthly Groundwater Department activities. Department activities include, but are not limited to, updates to the Ventura Regional Groundwater Flow Model; the Santa Paula Basin Technical Advisory Committee; status of the Santa Paula Basin safe yield and practical measures studies; brackish water treatment feasibility study; upper Santa Clara River Chloride TMDL; hydrologic and well conditions statewide and locally; available Forebay storage; county well ordinance update; Fox Canyon GMA issues; City of Oxnard's GREAT Program; potential recycled water projects, including use of United's terminal reservoirs; user groups (including but not limited to Oxnard Plain and Pumping Trough Pipeline groups); local implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 (including formation of groundwater sustainability agencies in the District's basins, stakeholder and basin user groups, joint powers or governance agreements, development of water markets, and potential basin boundary changes); and potential District solar power facilities.

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**5.7 Update on the Fillmore and Piru Basins and the Mound Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies**

**Information Item**

Summary report on the monthly activities of the two Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (Fillmore and Piru Basins and Mound Basin) which the District serves as a member director.

**Operations and Maintenance – Mike Ellis**

**5.8 Monthly Operation and Maintenance Department Report**

**Information Item**

Staff will report on monthly operations and maintenance of District facilities including Santa Felicia Dam and hydroplant; the Piru Groundwater Recharge facility; the Freeman Diversion Dam; the Saticoy and El Rio Groundwater Recharge facilities; the Pleasant Valley and Pumping Trough Pipeline systems; and the Oxnard-Hueneme Pipeline 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.

**Park and Recreation Division – Clayton Strahan**

**5.9 Monthly Park and Recreation Department Report**

**Information Item**

Summary report on operations and items of note relative to the Lake Piru Recreation Area. Items may include, but are not limited to, discussion of potential revisions to the existing PMC operating agreement, camping and boating policies at the lake; operations and activities; financing and status of facility improvement projects; maintenance activities; security issues; and emergency response activities.

**6. BOARD OF DIRECTORS READING FILE**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board will adjourn to the **Regular Board Meeting on Wednesday, February 14, 2018** or call of the President.

*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 8<sup>th</sup> Street in Santa Paula during normal business hours.*

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Approved:



Posted: (date) January 4, 2018 (time) 6:30p.m. (attest) *Kris Sofley*  
At: United Water Conservation District Headquarters, 106 No. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Santa Paula, CA

Posted: (date) January 4, 2018 (time) 6:45p.m. (attest) *Kris Sofley*  
At: [www.unitedwater.org](http://www.unitedwater.org)

**EXHIBIT A**  
**EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION AGENDA**

**1. REAL ESTATE MATTER**

**1.1 Conference With Real Property Negotiators**

[Government Code Section 54956.8]

Property: Assessor Parcel Nos. 109-0-010-065; 109-0-010-070; 109-0-001-035; 147-0-060-150; 147-0-060-305; 147-0-060-315; 129-0-030-035; 129-0-020-080; 129-0-030-235; 128-0-040-160; 129-0-030-265; 129-0-030-280; 128-0-040-195; 129-0-030-215; 144-0-010-065; 056-0-190-125; 057-0-020-145

Agency Negotiators: District General Manager Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr., Engineering Manager Jim Grisham, Chief Operations Officer Mike Ellis and District Legal Counsel David D. Boyer.

Negotiating parties: Wellhead Energy LLC and United Water Conservation District

Under negotiation: price and terms of payment

**2. LITIGATION MATTERS**

**2.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**

Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 (d)(1)

A. City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. VENCI00401714

B. City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al, Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 1414739 (consolidated for purposes of trial with case in subsection A.)

Note: 2.1 A and B consolidated in the California Supreme Court, 2<sup>nd</sup> Civil No. S226036, Review granted on June 24, 2015 of published decision of Division Six, Second District of the Court of Appeal of the State of California, 2d Civil No. B251810.

C. City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 1467531

D. Wishtoyo Foundation, et al v. United Water Conservation District, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Case No.2:16-cv-03869 GHK (PLAx)