

## AGENDA REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Board of Directors
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General Manager Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr.

Legal Counsel David D. Boyer

# Wednesday, February 13, 2019, 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 1:30 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

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

Presented by District Legal Counsel David D. Boyer.

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# 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 Southern California Edison Recognition of the District's Energy Efficiency Informational Item

Southern California Edison's recognition of the District's Energy Efficiency Projects.

# 2.8 Update on United Water Conservation District's Outreach Efforts <u>Information Item</u>

Stacy Miller Public Affairs will provide an update to the Board on the District's outreach efforts.

### 2.9 Mid-Year Review - Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr.

### **Information Item**

The Board will receive an update from its General Manager on the achievements and accomplishments of the District for the period of July 2018 through December 2018.

# 2.10 Expand Scope of California Water Fix Ad Hoc Committee Motion

The Board will consider expanding the scope of the District's California WaterFix Ad Hoc Committee to include discussions for Ventura County's State Water Project allocation.

#### 2.11 Public Hearing

# **Proposed Ordinance No. 23 -- Consideration to Increase the Compensation of the Board of Directors**

#### Motion

The Board will conduct a Public Hearing on the recommended adoption of an ordinance authorizing an increase in Directors' compensation from \$205.00 to \$215.25 per day.

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 January 16, 2019.

### **B.** Groundwater Basin Status Reports

### **Information Item**

Receive and file Monthly Hydrologic Conditions Report for the District.

# C. FY 2018-19 Second Quarter Financial Report and Request of Budget Modifications Information Item

Board to review the FY 2018-19 Second Quarter Financial Report for the period of July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 and consider approval of the proposed modifications to the FY 2018-19 Budget.

# D. Appointment of Standing Committees and Representatives to Outside Organizations for 2019

#### **Motion**

The President will appoint membership for the District's 2019 standing committees and appoint representatives and alternates to the following organizations: Association of Water Agencies of Ventura County Board of Directors; Association of Water Agencies of Ventura County Water Issues Committee; Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency; RiverPark Reclamation JPA; Ventura County Special Districts Association; Oxnard Chamber Water Committee; and ACWA JPIA Board of Directors.

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

### <u>Administration Services</u> – Anthony Emmert and Christy Ramirez

# 4.1 Renewal of Government Advocacy Services Agreement with Foley & Lardner LLC

#### **Motion**

The Board will consider authorizing the General Manager to execute a letter of engagement agreement with Foley & Lardner LLC for governmental advocacy services for 2019.

# 4.2 <u>Resolution 2019-03</u> Request an Amendment to the District's List of Authorized Signers on the District's Bank Account at the Bank of the Sierra Motion

The Board will consider adopting <u>Resolution 2019-03</u>, requesting the inclusion of the District's newly appointed Chief Financial Officer Joseph Jereb as an authorized signer on the District's bank account at Bank of the Sierra.

# 4.3 Revision to Board Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy Motion

The Board will consider adopting the revised Board of Directors Travel and Expense Reimbursement Policy (Section 7 UWCD Board of Directors Policies and Procedures).

### **Engineering Department – Maryam Bral**

# 4.4 Authorize Contract with BESST, Inc. to perform well profiling services at El Rio facility

### **Motion**

The Board will consider authorizing the General Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Best Environmental Subsurface Science and Technologies, Inc. (BESST) in the amount of \$54,400 to perform well profiling services of El Rio Wells No. 13 and 16 and provide recommendations for selective extraction. Board will additionally consider authorizing a supplemental appropriation of \$63,000 (includes \$8,600 for laboratory testing) for the project from the Oxnard-Hueneme Pipeline Fund.

# 4.5 <u>Resolution 2019-02</u> Certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report and Approval of Santa Felicia Dam Safety Improvement Project Motion

The Board will consider adopting <u>Resolution 2019-02</u>, certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report (Final EIR) for the Santa Felicia Dam Safety Improvement Project and set February 13, 2019 as the date for approval of the Santa Felicia Dam Safety Improvement Project.

### **Operations and Maintenance – Brian Collins**

# 4.6 Amendment to AT&T Lease Agreement for Lake Piru Cellular Tower Site Motion

The Board will consider approving an amendment to the lease agreement with AT&T Communications of Illinois, Inc. and authorize the General Manager to execute the amendment to the agreement on behalf of the District.

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

### **Administration Services** – Anthony Emmert and Christy Ramirez

# 5.1 Monthly Administrative Services Department Report – Anthony Emmert 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 Monthly Outreach, Legislative, Grants and Training Report <u>Information Item</u>

Staff will report on outreach activities, newly proposed legislation for 2019, 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.

#### **Engineering Department – Maryam Bral**

# 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.

## **Operations and Maintenance – Brian Collins**

# 5.4 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.

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

# 5.5 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.

# 5.6 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 - Maryam Bral**

# 5.7 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.

# 5.8 Update on Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) and Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Information Item

Summary report on the monthly activities of the two Groundwater Sustainability Agencies Mound Basin GSA and Fillmore and Piru Basins GSA), for which the District serves as a member director, and Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency.

### 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. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

The Board will adjourn to the Regular Board Meeting on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 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 8th Street in Santa Paula during normal business hours.

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Approved: \_

Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr. - General Manager

Posted: (date) February 8, 2019

(time) 3 p.m.

(attest) Kris Sofley

At: United Water Conservation District Headquarters, 106 No. 8th St., Santa Paula, CA

Posted: (date) February 8, 2019

(time)3:15p.m.

(attest) Kris Sofley

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# EXHIBIT A EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION AGENDA

### 1. REAL PROPERTY MATTERS

### 1.1 Discussion of Real Property Negotiations

[Government Code Section 54956.8]

Property: [106 N 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Paula, CA] Agency Negotiators: Mike Ellis, Joseph Jereb

Negotiating parties: United Water Conservation District (Seller) and City of

Santa Paula (Purchaser)

Under negotiation: instructions to negotiators will concern price and terms of

sale.

#### 2. LITIGATION

### 2.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

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

- A. <u>City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al</u>, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. VENCI00401714
- B. <u>City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al,</u> Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 1414739 (consolidated for purposes of trial with case in subsection A.)
  - <u>Note:</u> 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. <u>City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al</u>, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 1467531
- D. <u>Wishtoyo Foundation, et al v. United Water Conservation District,</u> U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Case No.2:16-cv-03869 GHK (PLAx)
- E. <u>Las Posas Valley Water Rights Coalition, et al v. Fox Canyon Groundwater</u>

  <u>Management Coalition,</u> Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case

  No.VENCI00509700

### 2.1 Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): two (2) cases

#### 3. LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

### 2.1 Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code 54957.6)

Agency designated representatives: Robert C. Siemak and Christy Ramirez. Employee organization: SEIU Local 721.