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**<u>REVISED AGENDA</u>** SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – Groundwater Hearing

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 12noon UWCD Headquarters 1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard CA 93030

This is a special meeting of the Board of Directors called in accordance with Government Code 54956. Other than the listed agenda items, no other business will be considered by the Board of Directors.

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#### 1. FIRST OPEN SESSION 12:00noon 1a. Directors Roll Call

### **1b. Public Comments**

In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.3: every notice for a special meeting shall provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the Board concerning any item that has been described in the notice for the meeting before or during consideration of that item. All comments are subject to a five-minute time limit.

### 2. EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION 12:05p.m.

### 2.a Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

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

1. <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) UWCD Special Board of Directors Meeting – Groundwater Hearing Agenda June 24, 2020 Page 2

- 2. <u>United Water Conservation District v. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission</u>, US Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit Case No. 10-1027
- 3. <u>City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al</u>, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. VENCI00401714
- 4. <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.a 3 and 4 consolidated in the California Supreme Court,  $2^{nd}$  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.

5. <u>City of San Buenaventura v. United Water Conservation District, et al</u>, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 1467531

# **2.b Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation** Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): two (2) case.

#### 3. SECOND OPEN SESSION 1:00 p.m.

### 3.a Reporting out of Executive (Closed) Session

Presented by District's Legal Counsel David D. Boyer.

### 3.b <u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>

## Conclusion of Annual Groundwater Hearing, Acceptance of Public Comment and Setting of 2019-20 Zones and Extraction Charges

#### <u>Motion</u>

In accordance with Part 9 of Division 21 of the California Water Code (Section 75500 <u>et</u> seq.), the Board annually conducts a public hearing to consider the conditions of groundwater resources within the District. An "Annual Investigation and Report of Groundwater Conditions" was submitted to the Board on March 25, 2020 and has been available for public review and comment. This hearing was opened on April 8, 2020 and continued until May 13, 2020, at which time it was again continued to June 10, 2020. At the June 10, 2020 hearing, the Board was asked to continue the hearing to a Special Board meeting on June 24, 2020 to allow time for the Board and the public to review and consider an alternative FY 2020-21 Proposed Budget and to receive information from District staff and consultant(s) in support of the establishment of zone(s). Public comment will also be accepted. No Board decisions have yet been made. The Board may choose to conclude the hearing today and consider acting to establish zone(s) within the District and to levy groundwater extraction charges within such zone(s) for the 2020-21 water year.

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#### Resolution 2020-10

Making Findings and Determinations from the Evidence Submitted Concerning the Groundwater Conditions of United Water Conservation District. <u>Motion</u>

#### Resolution 2020-11

Making Additional Findings and Determinations from the Evidence Submitted Concerning Groundwater Conditions of United Water Conservation District, Determining and Establishing Groundwater Extraction Charge Zones and Levying, Assessing and Fixing Groundwater Extraction Charges against All Persons Operating Groundwater Producing Facilities within Such Zones for the 2020-21 Water Year

**Motion** 

#### 3.c <u>Resolution 2020-12</u>

Adopting the Proposed District Budget Plan-Revised, Financial Policies, Overhead Allocation Method, Staffing Levels and Salary Schedules for Fiscal Year 2020-21 and Appropriation Carryovers for Fiscal Year 2019-20

**Motion** 

The Board will consider adoption of <u>Resolution 2020-12</u>, adopting the Proposed District Budget Plan-Revised, Fiscal Policies, Overhead Allocation Method, Staffing Levels and Salary Schedules for Fiscal Year 2020-21 and Appropriation Carryovers for Fiscal Year 2019-20.

#### **3.d Supplemental Appropriation for Recreation Concessionaire**

#### **Motion**

The Board will consider authorizing a supplemental appropriation for concessionaire services at Lake Piru Recreation Area in an amount up to \$160,000.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

The Board will adjourn to the Regular Board Meeting of Wednesday, July 8, 2020

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 1701 North Lombard Street in Oxnard, CA 93030 during normal business hours.

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Approved: Mauricio E. Guardado, Jr. – General Manager

Posted: (date) June 22, 2020 (time) 9am (attest) *Kris Sofley* At: United Water Conservation District Headquarters, 1701 North Lombard Street, Oxnard CA 93030

Posted: (date) June 22, 2020 At: <u>www.unitedwater.org</u> (time) 9:10am

(attest) Kris Sofley