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AGENDA
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, October 14, 2026, 12:00 p.m.
UWCD Headquarters, First Floor, Board Room
1701 N. Lombard Street, Oxnard, CA 93030

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.

ROLL CALL

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

1.1 Public Comment
Members of the public may address the Board on any matter on the Executive (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
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
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.

2.5 Board Members' Activities Report
Information Item
Receive and file information regarding meeting participation provided by each of the Board Members through Monthly Activities (aka per diem) Reports.

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 Recognition of Retiring Assistant General Manager Anthony Emmert
Ceremonial Item
Recognition of Assistant General Manager Anthony Emmert who is retiring on November 6, 2026, after 12 years of service.

2.8 Recognition of Retiring Dam Operator Greg DeJarnette
Ceremonial Item
Recognition of Dam Operator Greg DeJarnette who is retiring on October 24, 2026, after 16 years of service.

2.9 El Niño Forecast and District Preparedness
Informational Item
Receive a presentation from the Water Resources and Operations and Maintenance Departments regarding the forecast for the upcoming El Niño season and United Water Conservation District's preparations and readiness efforts.

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)

3.1 Approval of September 9, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes and September 22, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes
Motion
Approve the minutes.

3.2 Hydrologic Conditions Monthly Report
Information Item
Receive and file Monthly Hydrologic Conditions Report for the District.

4. MONTHLY REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT

4.1 Water Resources Department Monthly Report and Update on Activities of Local Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs)
Bram Sercu, Water Resources Supervisor
Information Item
Summary report and presentation summarize key activities of the Water

Resources Department, including groundwater modeling updates, reservoir releases, State Water Project imports, support for diversion and recharge operations, groundwater condition assessments, contributions to water supply and sustainability projects, and outreach efforts. It also highlights engagement with Groundwater Sustainability Agencies, advisory committees, and other regional stakeholders.

4.2 Administrative Services Department Monthly Report
Josh Perez, Chief Human Resources Officer and Brian Zahn, Chief Financial Officer
Information Item

Summary report and presentation outline key activities of the Administrative Services Department, including budget development, financial performance, accounting procedures, potential debt issuance, and investment updates. It also covers capital improvement programs, human resources and safety, property and facility management, records administration, groundwater extraction statements, risk management, contract oversight, policy and governance matters, and support for Board and staff operations.

4.3 Public Outreach and External Affairs Department Monthly Report
Tara Mulally, Public Outreach and External Affairs Manager
Information Item

Summary report and presentation highlight key activities led by the Public Outreach and External Affairs Manager, including implementation of strategic communications plans, media and social media management, development of outreach materials, coordination of community events, stakeholder engagement, legislative and intergovernmental affairs, public education initiatives, brand and messaging oversight, and support for Board and staff outreach efforts.

4.4 Engineering Department Monthly Report
Robert Richardson, Engineering Manager
Information Item

Summary report and presentation on the monthly activities of the Engineering Department, including but not limited to water resources, planning efforts and department programs impacting the District such as project design and construction; dam safety; FERC license compliance; Freeman Diversion; recycled water; pipeline operations and various engineering analysis.

4.5 Environmental Services Department Monthly Report
Marissa Caringella, Environmental Services Manager
Information Item

Summary report and presentation cover the Environmental Services Department's key activities, including regulatory and environmental issues, monitoring programs, water releases and increased State Water imports,

Freeman Diversion operations, FERC license compliance, Endangered Species Act actions, CEQA and NEPA compliance, and support for environmental and cultural permitting for District projects.

4.6 Operations and Maintenance Department Monthly Report
Craig Morgan, Chief Operations Officer
Information Item

Summary report and presentation provide an overview of activities across the District's facilities, including Santa Felicia Dam and hydroplant, Piru, Saticoy, and El Rio Groundwater Recharge facilities, Freeman Diversion, Pleasant Valley and Pumping Trough Pipeline systems, and the Oxnard Hueneme Pipeline system. It covers operational plans, water diversion and delivery metrics, water quality, fish ladder operations, major maintenance and repairs, project updates, and safety and training matters.

4.7 Recreation Department Monthly Report
Bernard Riedel Jr., Senior Park Ranger
Information Item

Summary report and presentation on monthly activities of the Recreation Department, including but not limited to the Lake Piru Recreation Area, encompassing 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.
committees, and other regional stakeholders.

5. MOTION ITEMS

5.1 Conduct Board of Directors Division 4 Applicant Interviews and Select an Applicant for Appointment
Motion

a. Conduct interviews for the Board of Directors Division 4 vacancy.
b. Select an applicant to be appointed to fill the Board of Directors Division 4 vacancy with the term of office ending December 2028.

5.2 Improved Denil Professional Consulting Services Agreement for the 90% Design Milestone
Motion

Authorize the General Manager to execute a Professional Consulting Services Agreement with GEI Consultants Inc. to complete the 90% design milestone for the Improved Denil Project, which is part of CIP 8001 Freeman Diversion Improvement Project – Denil.

5.3 Upon Receiving the Chief Dam Safety Engineer's Annual Dam Safety Program Report, Adopt Resolution No. 2026-24 Approving the Revision of the Owner's Dam Safety Program and Overarching Dam Safety Program Policy

In accordance with the Santa Felicia Dam Owner's Dam Safety Program,

the Chief Dam Safety Engineer for UWCD shall prepare and deliver an Annual Comprehensive Dam Safety Program Report (Annual Report) and presentation to the UWCD Board of Directors. This Annual Report and presentation cover dam safety program activities from October 2025 through October 2026 (reporting period). *Per Government Code Title 18 § 388. 113 Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information, the Annual Report is a critical/confidential document. Board members only will be provided with hard copies.*

Motion

Upon receiving such report, adopt Resolution No. 2026-24 approving the revised Santa Felicia Dam Owner's Dam Safety Program, revision 12.0 dated October 2026, and the Overarching Dam Safety Program Policy. *Per Government Code Title 18 § 388. 113 Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information, the Owner's Dam Safety Program is a critical/confidential document. Board members only will be provided with hard copies.*

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

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 N. Lombard Street, Suite 200, Oxnard CA 93030 during normal business hours.

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Approved: _____
Mauricio Guardado, General Manager

This agenda was posted Friday, October 9, 2026, at 4:30 p.m. at the United Water Conservation District Headquarters, Oxnard, CA and www.unitedwater.org.

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Tara Acosta, Clerk of the Board

EXHIBIT A
EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION AGENDA

1. LITIGATION

1.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2): one potential case. Existing facts and circumstances consist of receipt of a Government Claims Act claim pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(e)(3), which is available for public inspection pursuant to Government Code section 54957.5

1.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1) (four matters).

A. 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).

B. OPV Coalition v Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Ventura, Case No. 56-2021-00555357-CU-PT-VTA; Complaint for Comprehensive Groundwater Adjudication of the Oxnard Groundwater Subbasin (No. 4-004.02) and Pleasant Valley Subbasin (No. 4-006) Pursuant to Sections 830, *Et Seq*. of the Code of Civil Procedure; Declaratory Relief; Quiet Title; and Petition for Writs of Mandate.

C. United Water Conservation District v. California Fish and Game Commission, a California Public Agency, Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County (Central District), Case No. 25STCP01671; Petition for Writ of Mandate challenging the Commission's determination to list O'mykiss as endangered under the California Endangered Species Act.

D. Wishtoyo Foundation, et al v. United Water Conservation District, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Los Angeles (Central District), Case No. 22STCP04160; Verified Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief and Petition for Writ of Mandate under California Constitution Article X, section 2, the Public Trust Doctrine and Fish and Game Code sections 1602, 5901, 5948, 5935, 5937.