

# CALAVERAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

# **OUR MISSION**

Protect, enhance, and develop Calaveras County's water resources and watersheds to provide safe, reliable, and cost-effective services to our communities.

Special Committee Meeting Friday April 21, 2023 1:00 p.m.

Calaveras County Water District 120 Toma Court San Andreas, California 95249

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#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### **CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- 1. ROLL CALL
- 2. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - 3a Approval of Minutes for January 31, 2022 Committee Meeting (Rebecca Hitchcock, Clerk to the Board)

## 4. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- 4a\* Federal Legislative Update (Mia O'Connell, O'Connell & Dempsey and Michael Minkler, General Manager)
- 4b\* State Legislative Update (Michael Minkler, General Manager)

## 5.\* OTHER BUSINESS

# 6.\* GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

# 7.\* DIRECTOR COMMENTS OR FUTIRE AGENDA ITEMS

## 8. <u>NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING</u>

■ Tuesday June 6, 2022, 1:00 p.m.,

## 9. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>



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# MINUTES JANUARY 31, 2023

The following Committee Members were present:
Director Ratterman
Director Davidson

Staff Present:

Michael Minkler, General Manager Rebecca Hitchcock, Clerk to the Board Jessica Self, External Affairs Manager

Others Present:

Mia O'Connell, O'Connell & Dempsey

# **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

# 1. ROLL CALL

Director Ratterman called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

# 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3a Approval of Minutes for December 6, 2022 Committee Meeting (Rebecca Hitchcock, Clerk to the Board)

Directors Ratterman/Davidson approved Minutes from the Legal Affairs Committee meeting of December 6, 2022.

#### 4. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

4a Federal Legislative Update (Mia O'Connell, O'Connell & Dempsey and Michael Minkler, General Manager)

<u>Discussion:</u> Ms. O'Connell reported on the following items: 1) the Army Corps of Engineers funding for the Copper Cove Wastewater Treatment Plan which is currently 1 million dollars and we are asking for an increase of up to 5 million dollars. Congressman McClintock has been very supportive of this increase; 2) the Omnibus Appropriations package; 3) the Fiscal Year 2024 appropriations

process; 3) the WRDA; and 4) the Army Corp project. There was discussion about each item between staff and the Committee. The Committee discussed the ACWA D.C. conference in February with Ms. O'Connell.

4b State Legislative Update (Michael Minkler, General Manager)

<u>Discussion:</u> Michael Minkler and Jessica Self reported on the following items: 1) AB 1717 Prevailing Wage for Fuels Management vetoed by Governor Newsom but has been reintroduced as AB 338 and the Committee recommended taking an Oppose position to the full Board for a vote; 2) SB 23: Streamlining Delivery of Critical Water Projects While Protecting the Environment to Meet Challenged of Climate Change; 3) AB 30 Atmospheric Rivers: Research, Mitigation, and Climate Forecasting Program; 4) Property Tax Collection of Water Rates (an ACWA Proposal); 5) Ballot Initiative #21-004A1: Taxpayer Protection & Government Accountability Act will be on the ballot in November 2024. The Committee would also like this item to go to the full Board for an Oppose Resolution.

#### 5. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no additional business.

#### 6. GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

Mr. Minkler had nothing additional to report.

#### 7. DIRECTOR COMMENTS OR FUTIRE AGENDA ITEMS

<u>Director Davidson</u> asked about the Emergency declaration and what the District plans to submit to the state for cost reimbursements.

<u>Director Ratterman</u> spoke about the Town Hall coming up in Valley Springs.

#### 8. <u>NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING</u>

Tuesday April 4, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Hitchcock
Clerk to the Board