



**Board of Directors Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 6, 2022**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Meeting Held Via Teleconferencing and In-Person at**  
**3050 Beacon Blvd., West Sacramento, CA – Suite #203**

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## AGENDA

**\*\*\* Note: Action may be taken on any item listed on this agenda \*\*\***

### 1. Call to Order

*Steve Mello, Chairman*

### 2. Approval of Minutes

*Steve Mello, Chairman*

- A. ACTION: Approve June 1, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes.

### 3. Approval of Resolution

*Steve Mello, Chairman*

- A. Consider Adoption of Resolution Authorizing Extension of Remote Board Meetings.

### 4. Engineer Report

*Anne Williams, MBK Engineers*

- A. Water Quality and Hydrologic Conditions Update – Contract criteria compliance and monitoring station malfunction.
- B. SWRCB Emergency Drought Regulations – Delta Watermaster convening meeting.
- C. Update on SWP Operations, Term 91 Notice issued, and Temporary Urgency Change Order implementation.

### 5. Drought Activities

*Anne Williams, MBK Engineers and Kevin O'Brien, Downey Brand*

- A. USACE Permit Notice Issued for Drought Barriers – Deadline to comment is July 18, 2022; and update on reimbursement MOU with DWR.
- B. Release of Delta Watermaster Report on Friant Illegal Diversion Complaint.
- C. Article 4 Drought Emergency Provision – DWR to establish Special Claims Process and host informational public meeting.

### 6. Legal Report

*Kevin O'Brien, Downey Brand*

- A. WaterFix CEQA Lawsuit - Third District Court of Appeal Decision on NDWA Request for Legal Fees Reimbursement: remanded to lower court.
- B. Water Quality Control Plan Update – SWRCB released biological goals for Lower San Joaquin River.

## 7. Manager Report

*Melinda Terry, Manager*

- A. Report on meetings, presentations, and correspondence – Update on NDWA reserve policy ad-hoc committee and staff coordination on Voluntary Agreement presentation to Board.
- B. Delta Counties Coalition Water Summit – Request approval of resolution on Delta Conveyance Tunnel.
- C. August NDWA meeting Agenda Items: 1) Jacob McQuirk, DWR, presentation on North Delta drought barriers; 2) Los Vaqueros Dam expansion presentation by CCWD; and 3) Kevin O’Brien Presentation on Bay-Delta Plan Voluntary Agreement.

## 8. Legislative Report

*Melinda Terry, Manager*

- A. Consider AB 1944 (Lee/Garcia) – Proposes to modify public meeting rules.
- B. State Budget – Appropriations for Delta drought barriers and Delta Drought Response Plan.

## 9. Delta Activities Report

*Melinda Terry, Manager*

- A. SWRCB/Delta Watermaster – SWRCB released biological goals for Lower San Joaquin River as part of Bay-Delta Plan; update on water rights, water use reporting, and other activities.
- B. Delta Habitat Projects – Groundbreaking ceremonies for Lookout Slough Habitat Restoration Project in Cache Slough area and “Big Notch” Project in Yolo Bypass.
- C. Delta Conveyance Project – Split vote by Zone 7 to continue tunnel funding.
- D. Delta Conservancy – Update on Delta Drought Response Program and other activities.
- E. Delta Protection Commission (DPC) – New Executive Director announced and updates on National Heritage Area, DPAC, and other activities.
- F. Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) – Delta Independent Science Board released Water Supply Reliability Estimation, DISB Delta tour, RD 2093 submits certification of consistency for Fish Conservation Bank project, and Delta Adapts activities.
- G. CVP/SWP – ESA consultations continue to develop new Biological Opinions guiding operation of state and federal water projects.

## 10. Announcements

- A. Aug 25/26 - DSC meeting, 9:00 am
- B. July 18 – Deadline to comment on USACE Permit Notice for Drought Barriers
- C. July 21 - DPC board meeting, Jean Harvie Comm. Ctr, Walnut Grove, 4:00 pm
- D. August 3 - NDWA Board Mtg, 3050 Beacon Blvd, Ste 203, W. Sacramento, 9:30 am

## 11. Public Comment

## 12. Adjournment