

AGENDA

SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT
ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF ITSELF AND SEMITROPIC, BUTTONWILLOW,
POND-POSO AND WILDLIFE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS
REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
October 13, 2021 at 12:30 pm

NOTICE: Pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e) (AB 361), and due to the State of Emergency declared by Governor Newsom on March 4, 2020, this meeting will be conducted by teleconference. The public may attend the meeting and offer public comments by phone and/or video, using the call-in number or link below:

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1. Call to Order: President Waterhouse
2. Flag Salute
3. Acknowledgment of guests:
4. Public Comment Period:
5. **Potential Action Items:**
 - (a) Consider Adoption of Resolution No. ST 21-10 Authorizing AB361 Teleconference Meeting
 - (b) Approval of Agenda – Asterisk (*) Indicates a Change from the Posted Agenda
 - (c) Approve Minutes: Regular Meeting of August September 8, 2021 and GSA Meeting of September 8, 2021
 - (d) Approve Treasurer’s Reports for Semitropic Water Storage Dist. & Semitropic Improvement District: September 2021
 - (e) Review Financial Reports/Present Financial Statements
 - (f) Approve Payment of Bills as Listed on the Current Disbursement List, October 13, 2021
 - (g) Consider 2022 Budget, Set Water Rates and Adopt Related Resolutions
 - (h) Consider Resolutions to Adopt Annual Investment and Reserve Policies
 - (i) Consider Approval of 2022 Non-Contract Water Rates
 - (j) Consider Amending Wheeling Rates for 2022
 - (k) Consider GEI Task Order 06-2021 Peer Review of Future HSR Conflicts
 - (l) Consider Participation in California Aqueduct Reversal Project
 - (m) Consider Amendment to Poso Creek LLC Banking Agreement
 - (n) Consider Request to Transfer Banking Agreement: Shows Family Farms to Mid Valley Ranch
 - (o) Consider Lease of District Property: Maricopa Orchards (solar)
 - (p) Consider GEI Task Order 07-2021 for Support to Prepare a Grant Proposal Under the USBR CalFED Grant Program for the District’s PCCP Pipe Replacement Project
 - (q) Consider Approval of MKN Task Order to Provide Engineering Support During Construction of HSRA Resolution of Facility Relocations (HSR UA 2.0)

Potential Action Items Continued:

- (r) Consider Approval of J Calton Engineering Proposal to Provide Engineering Support During Construction of HSRA Resolution of Facility Relocations (HSR UA 2.0)
- (s) Consider Resolution in Support of Filing an Application with USBR WaterSMART Grant Program for the District's Groundwater Well Extraction Improvements for Return of Stored Water

Semitropic GSA:

- 1) SGMA Updates and Potential Action Items
 - a. Update on Landowner Water Budget Program (Management Action 1)
 - i. Consider Native/Fallowed Land Declaration
 - b. Basin Yield Study
 - c. Data Management System

- 6. Consultant Reports:
 - (a) SWRU – Construction Update by W.M. Lyles
 - (b) Consulting Engineers – GEI Consultants (B-E) Progress Report
 - (c) BPR – Dean Florez
 - (d) REDTrac – Greg Allen

- 7. Informational and Up-Date Items:
 - (a) Water Supply Update and Delta Issues
 - (b) Delinquencies
 - (c) Banking Project(s) Update
 - (d) Southern California Water Bank Authority- JPA Activities
 - (e) Delta Conveyance Facility
 - (f) Energy Activities
 - (g) Poso Creek Integrated Regional Water Management Plan
 - (h) Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program
 - (i) Groundwater Model Update
 - (j) South Valley Water Resources Authority
 - (k) Well Telemetry
 - (l) Winter Work

- 8. **CLOSED SESSION**
 - a. **Conference with legal counsel Re: Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(d))**
 - 1) *Various applications filed for Kings River Water by Semitropic WSD, et al.; Petition for Change of Points of Diversion, etc. (License 11521) filed by Kings River Water Assn.; and related matters and AHO proceedings, before the State Water Resources Control Bd.*
 - 2) *Cal. Dep't of Water Res. v. All Persons Interested, "Complaint for Validation" Re: SWP Contract Extension Amendment, Sacramento Superior Court, Case No. 34-2018-00246183*
 - 3) *Buena Vista Water Storage District v. Kern Water Bank Authority, et al., Re: KWBA Kern River EIR, Ventura County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-19-100122; Second Appellate District, Division 6, Case No. B309764*
 - 4) *Sierra Club v. California Department of Water Resources (DWR), etc. Re: Consolidated CEQA Case and "Complaint for Validation" Re: Delta Program Revenue Bonds, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2020-80003517-CU-WM-GDS*

- 5) *Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District v. Kern County Water Agency, et al., Kern County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-21-100418*
- 6) *Central Delta WA v. DWR, et al., 3rd Appellate Dist., Case No. C078249; Center for Food Safety v. DWR, 3rd Appellate Dist., Case No. C086215 (consolidated for oral argument)*
- 7) *KWBA, et al. v. Kern LAFCO, et al., Kern County Sup. Ct., Case No. BCV-21-101310-GP*
- b. **Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Anticipated Litigation: Possible exposure to litigation pursuant Gov't Code § 54956.9(d)(2).**
 - 1) *Two Potential Cases.*
- c. **Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Anticipated Litigation: Possible initiation of litigation pursuant to Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(4)**
 - 1) *Two Potential Cases*

- d. **Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Govt. Code § 54956.8)**
District's Designated Representative: General Manager
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment
 - 1) *Property: State Water Project Supplies*
 - a. *Negotiation With: California Department of Water Resources, Kern County Water Agency and its Member Units, And State Water Contractors*
 - 2) *Acquisition of Water Supplies*
 - a. *Negotiation with: Multiple sellers*
 - 3) *Acquisition of Property*
 - a. *Negotiation with: Multiple sellers*

9. Old Business/Correspondence

ADJOURNMENT – To 12:30 p.m. October 27, 2021

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