



San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District

Helping Nature Store Our Water

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, December 11, 2024 – 9:00 AM

Location – 1630 W. Redlands Blvd., Ste. A, Redlands, CA 92373

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CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on any item that is within the jurisdiction of the Board; however, no action may be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by Subdivision (b) Section 54954.2 of the Government Code.

2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Section 54954.2 provides that a legislative body may take action on items of business not appearing on the posted agenda under the following conditions: (1) an emergency situation exists, as defined in Section 54956.5; (2) a need to take immediate action and the need for action came to the attention of the District subsequent to the agenda being posted; and (3) the item was posted for a prior meeting occurring not more than five calendar days prior to the date action is taken on the item, and at the prior meeting, the item was continued to the meeting at which action is being taken.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Division 1:
Richard Corneille

Division 2:
Mark Falcone

Division 3:
Robert Stewart

Division 4:
John Longville

Division 5:
Melody McDonald

GENERAL MANAGER

Betsy Miller

1. DISTRICT COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

- a. Board President Appointments
 - i. ACWA Committee Appointments
 - ii. Appendix B-Standing Committees.....6
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2. OATH OF OFFICE

- a. Administration of Oaths of Office for Re-elected and Elected Directors:
 - i. Richard Corneille, Division 1
 - ii. Mark Falcone, Division 2
 - iii. Robert Stewart, Division 3

3. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

- a. Open Nominations for President and Vice President
- b. Close Nominations and Call Vote

4. INTRODUCTIONS AND GUEST RECOGNITION

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Approval of Board Minutes, November 13, 202410
- b. Approval of Expenditure Report, November 2024.....25
- c. Report of Excused Absences

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS /ACTION ITEMS

Committee Reports

Action Items

- A. UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR NOVEMBER 2024 – 5 Minutes (M#2073) .36

Presenter: Angie Quiroga

Recommendation: Review and approve the Unaudited Financial Report for November 2024.

- B. APPROVE FISCAL YEAR 2024 AUDIT – 5 Minutes (M#2074).....42

Presenter: Betsy Miller

Recommendation: The Ad Hoc Audit Committee recommends the Board review and approve the Fiscal Year 2024 Audit Report as presented and direct the General Manager to file the Audit Report with the County Clerk.

- C. TEMPORARY RESTRICTIVE COVENANT AND EQUITABLE SERVITUDE FOR SPECIES CONSERVATION FOR WASH PLAN COVERED ACTIVITY CRM.01 AGGREGATE MINING – 5 Minutes (M#2075).....139

Presenter: Betsy Miller

Recommendation: Approve the temporary Restrictive Covenant and Equitable Servitude for Species Conservation, and authorize the General Manager and General Counsel to 1) append as Exhibit A thereto an appropriate legal description suitable to the District and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for recording with the County Recorder, and 2) prepare a final Attachment C, Termination and Release of Restrictive Covenant and Equitable Servitude for Species Conservation, following the enclosed template acceptable to the District and CDFW.

- D. PLAN TO PREPARE THE 2025 ENGINEERING INVESTIGATION REPORT – 5 Minutes (M#2076)172

Presenter: Betsy Miller

Recommendation: Review and consider approval of the Plan to Prepare the 2025 Engineering Investigation Report.

- E. ADOPTION OF THE 2025 PER DIEM RESOLUTION – 5 Minutes (M#2077)180

Presenter: Betsy Miller

Recommendation: Increase the Board per diem rate by \$7.00 to \$277.00 for Calendar Year 2025, and approve Resolution No. 627.

- F. NATIONAL HABITAT CONSERVATION PLANNING COALITION 2024 ANNUAL MEETING VOTING REPRESENTATIVE – 5 Minutes (M#2078)182

Presenter: Betsy Miller

Recommendation: Appoint an authorized voting representative for the National Habitat Conservation Planning Coalition’s 2024 Annual Meeting.

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5. UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- A. December 11, 2024 SBVWCD Luncheon, 12:00 PM at J. Riley Restaurant, 420 Oriental Ave., Redlands, CA 92374
- B. December 16, 2024 ASBCSD Monthly Dinner Meeting, 6:00 PM
- C. December 24-25, 2024 Office Closed in Observance of Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

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| D. December 31- January 1, 2025 | Office Closed in Observance of New Year's Eve & New Year's Day |
| E. January 8, 2025 | Board of Directors Meeting, 1:30 PM at Conservation District (Zoom Meeting ID: Meeting ID: 820 0301 2092) |
| F. January 20, 2025 | Office Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday |
| G. January 20, 2025 | ASBCSD Monthly Dinner Meeting, 6:00 PM |
| H. January 22, 2025 | Finance and Administration Committee Meeting, 1:30 PM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 265 903 923 917 Passcode: 9WJ7A3RK) |
| I. January 29, 2025 | Operations Committee Meeting, 9:00 AM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 214 391 342 343 Passcode: yx2Xx9xH) |

6. CLOSED SESSION

1. The Board may meet in Closed Session under Government Code section 54956.8, to discuss the terms and conditions of the potential acquisition of Federal properties as part of the Wash Plan land exchange with BLM, consisting of 327.5 acres of the Federal Exchange Parcel, and 90 acres of the Federal Equalization Parcels, in exchange for District property of Assessor Parcel Nos. 0291-151 01, -02, and-05. David Cosgrove and Betsy Miller are the District's negotiators, and Dara Glass is the lead negotiator for BLM.
2. The Board may meet in closed session under authority of Government Code Section 54956.8 to discuss potential terms and conditions of the acquisition of real property, consisting of San Bernardino County Assessor parcel numbers 0298-251-04, 0298-251-05, and 0302-101-09. The District's negotiators are Betsy Miller and David Cosgrove. The party with whom the District is negotiating is Tom Robinson, Vantage One Real Estate.
3. The Board may meet in closed session under authority of Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4), regarding the District's potential decision to initiate litigation, in one case.
4. The Board may meet in Closed Session under Government Code section 54956.8, to discuss the terms and conditions of a proposed restrictive covenant with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and Robertson's Ready Mix on portions of San Bernardino County Assessor

Parcel Nos. 0291-131-01 and 0291-115-01. The District's negotiators are Betsy Miller and David B. Cosgrove. The CDFW's negotiators are Eric Chan and Kim Freeburn. Robertson's Ready Mix's negotiators are Bill Taylor and Kim Decker.

5. The Board may meet in closed session under authority of Government Code Section 54956.8 to discuss potential terms and conditions of the potential sale of a conservation easement over some 20.81 acres of District property, consisting of portions of San Bernardino County Assessor Parcel Nos. 0297-051-01 and 0297-071-08, in favor of the San Bernardino Valley Conservation Trust. The District's negotiators are Betsy Miller and David Cosgrove. The party with whom the District is negotiating is S-P Deerfield, LLC, Camille Bahri and Andrew Hertzell.

7. **ADJOURN MEETING.** The next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting will be on January 8, 2025, at 1:30 PM, via Zoom/teleconference.