

# WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT WATER POLICY COMMITTEE

## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Water Policy Committee of the Board of Directors of Westlands Water District will be held on March 18, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. or immediately following the Finance and Administration Committee meeting, at the District's Five Points Office, 23050 W. Mt. Whitney, Five Points, California 93624.

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Dan Errotabere, Chairman  
Gary Esajian  
Todd Neves  
Don Peracchi, ex-officio

**Public Comment** - Any member of the public may address the Committee concerning any matter on the agenda before or during its consideration of that matter.

#### AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of February 18, 2014.
2. Review/Consider Coalinga Canal Integration Program.
3. Review/Consider Interconnection of District Laterals.
4. Projections of Water Supply and Use.
5. Consider Board of Director's March 18, 2014 Agenda Items.
  - a. San Luis Canal Integration Program.
  - b. Astoria Rate Agreement.
  - c. Shasta Dam Enlargement Cost Sharing Agreement.
  - d. Long Term Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program Update.
6. Pending Action Items – Staff has been directed to prepare information for the Committee's consideration on various matters. If such information is available before today's meeting, the Committee may consider it.

**Public Comment** - Any member of the public may address the Committee concerning any matter on the agenda before or during its consideration of that matter.

7. Public Comment - Any member of the public may address the Committee concerning any matter not on the agenda within the Committee's jurisdiction.
8. Closed Session - The Committee will meet in closed session pursuant to the Government Code section noted to discuss the following:
  - a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9;
    - 1) Westlands v. United States (US Ct. of Fed. Cl., Washington DC)
    - 2) San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, et al., v. Natural Resources Defense Council (US Ct of Appeals, 9<sup>th</sup> Cir.)
    - 3) Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Assoc., et al., v. US Department of Interior, et al. (US Dist. Ct., N.D. Calif)
    - 4) San Joaquin County RCD, et al., v. Central Valley Regional Board (Superior Court, Sacramento)
    - 5) North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al., v. Westlands (Superior Court, Fresno)
    - 6) San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority v. Salazar (US Ct of Appeals, 9<sup>th</sup> Cir.)
  - b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of section 54956.9; one potential case
  - c. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
Section 54956.8  
Property; Land, water entitlement, and/or supplemental water  
Agency Negotiator: Thomas W. Birmingham, General Manager, or delegatee  
Negotiating Parties: Unknown  
Under Negotiation: Instructions to Negotiator will concern price and payment terms

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