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 May 19, 2015 at 11:00 a.m., at the District's Fresno Office, 3130 N. Fresno St., Fresno, California 93703.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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

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AGENDA

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of April 21, 2015 and May 8, 2015.
2. Review/Consider Modification of District Land Lease Program.
3. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Update.
4. Projections of Water Supply and Use.
5. Consider Board of Directors May 19, 2015 Agenda Items.
    a. Item 7a: Approve Participation in Management Practices Evaluation Program Coalitions Group
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.
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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 (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(1));
      1) *Westlands v. United States* (Drainage) (US Ct. of Fed. Claims)
      2) *SLDMWA, et. al., v. Natural Resources Defense Council* (2008 Delta Smelt BiOp) (Cert. Denied by USSC)
      3) *SLDMWA. et al., v. Locke* (2009 Salmon BiOp) (US Court of Appeals, 9th Cir.)
      4) *Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Assoc., et. al., v. US Department of Interior, et. al.* (NEPA Interim Renewal Contract) (Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals)
      5) *SLDMWA v. Dept. of Interior* (COA) (E.D. California)
      6) *SLDMWA v. Jewell* (Trinity River) (Ninth Circuit)
      7) *Harrington v. Westlands* (Employment) (Fresno County Superior Court)
      8) *Westlands v. Mireles* (Breach of Contract) (Kings County Superior Court)
      9) *Delta Stewardship Council Cases* (Delta Reform Act; CEQA) (Sacramento County Superior Court)
      10) *Modesto Irrigation District, et. al. v. Woods Irrigation Company* (Water Rights Enforcement) (Sacramento County Superior Court)
      11) *Sills v. Westlands* (Negligence) (Fresno County Superior Court)

   b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(2) or (3))

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c. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54956.8)

1) Property: Approximately 3,900 acres of District - owned land in Fresno County
Agency Negotiator: General Manager or delagatee
Negotiating Parties: Recurrent Energy
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

2) Property: Approximately 800 acres of District – owned land in Fresno County
Agency Negotiator: General Manager or delagatee
Negotiating Parties: Silverado et. al.
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

3) Property: Approximately 1,224 acres of District - owned land in Fresno County
Agency Negotiator: General Manager or delagatee
Negotiating Parties: Sun Power
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

4) Property: Access rights to approximately 320 acres in Fresno County
Agency Negotiator: General Manager or delagatee
Negotiating Parties: Next Era
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

5) Property: Water Supply
Agency Negotiator: General Manager or delagatee
Negotiating Parties: To be determined
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

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