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 April 19, 2016 at 11:00 a.m., at the District's Fresno Office, 3130 N. Fresno Street, 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 March 15, 2016.

2. Sites Reservoir Project Update.

3. Projections of Water Supply and Use.

4. 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.

5. Consider Board of Directors April 19, 2016 Agenda Items.

   a. Item 7a – 2015-16 Groundwater Conditions Update

   b. Item 7b - Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Update.

6. Public Comment - Any member of the public may address the Committee concerning any matter not on the agenda within the Committee's jurisdiction. Public comment is limited to three minutes per person and no more than fifteen minutes per topic. For good cause, the Committee Chairman may waive these limitations.

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7. 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)
      2) *Firebaugh Canal Water District v. United States* (Drainage)
      3) *SLDMWA, et al. v. Natural Resources Defense Council* (2008 Delta Smelt BiOp)
      4) *SLDMWA, et al. v. Locke* (2009 Salmon BiOp)
      5) *Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Assoc., et al., v. US Department of Interior, et al.* (NEPA Interim Renewal Contract)
      6) *SLDMWA, et al. v. Dept. of Interior* (COA)
      7) *SLDMWA, et al. v. Jewell* (Trinity River 2014 Releases)
      8) *Westlands v. Mireles* (Breach of Contract)
      9) *Delta Stewardship Council Cases* (Delta Reform Act; CEQA)
      10) *Modesto Irrigation District, et al, v. Woods Irrigation Company* (Water Rights Enforcement)
      11) *California Farm Bureau, et al, v. State Water Resources Control Board* (Water Rights Fees)
      12) *SLDMWA, et al, v. United States Bureau of Reclamation* (Trinity River 2015 Releases)
      13) *California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, et al, v. State Water Resources Control Board, Westlands Water District, et al.* (2015 TUCP Orders)

   b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(2), (3), or (4))
      Number of Potential Cases: Three (3).

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

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

      2) Property: Approximately 9,400 acres of land, consisting of:
         a. Sections 10 and 15, in T13S, R13E, M.D.B&M.; and
         b. Sections 19, 20, 21, 29, in T13S, R14E, M.D.B&M.; and
         c. E ½ and S ½ of SW ¼ of Section 23, Sections 25, 26, SE ¼ of Section 32, N ½ and SW ¼ of Section 33, Sections 34, 35, N ½ and N ½ of SW ¼ of Section 36, in T15S, R15E, M.D.B&M.; and
         d. W ½ Section 31, in T15S, R16E, M.D.B&M.; and

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e. N ½ of Section 4, E ½ of Section 5 in T16S, R15E, M.D.B&M.; and
f. Sections 33 and 34 in T17S, R16E, M.D.B&M.
Agency Negotiator: General Manager or delagatee
Negotiating Parties: Frontier Renewables
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

3) Property: Approximately 6 acres of land in Section 35, T15S, R14E, M.D.B.&M.
Agency Negotiator: General Manager or delagatee
Negotiating Parties: First Solar Development
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

4) Property: Approximately 2,500 acres of land, consisting of :
a. Sections 4, 8, 9, and 16 in T13S, R13E, M.D.B.&M.
Agency Negotiator: General Manager or delagatee
Negotiating Parties: Panoche Drainage District
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

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