# WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Legal Affairs Committee of Westlands Water District will be held on December 15, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the District's Fresno Office, 3130 N. Fresno Street, Fresno, California 93703.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Frank Coelho, Chairman Sarah Woolf Larry Enos Don Peracchi, Ex Officio

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#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Review and Consider Potential Outside Legal Firm Proposals to Serve as District Legal Counsel
- 2. Public Comment Any member of the public may address the Committee concerning any matter not on the agenda within the Committee's jurisdiction
- 3. Closed Session The Board will meet in closed session pursuant to the Government Code sections noted to discuss the following:
  - a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PENDING 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.; Westlands, Intervenors (2012-2014 Interim Renewal Contract EA)
    - 6) SLDMWA & Westlands v. Jewell (Trinity River 2012 and 2013 Releases)
    - 7) Westlands v. Mireles (Breach of Contract)
    - 8) Delta Stewardship Council Cases (Delta Reform Act; CEQA)
    - 9) Modesto Irrigation District, et al, v. Woods Irrigation Company (Water Rights Enforcement)
    - 10) California Farm Bureau, et al, v. State Water Resources Control Board (Water Rights Fees)
    - 11) SLDMWA & Westlands v. United States Bureau of Reclamation (Trinity River 2014 and 2015 Releases)

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- 12) California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, et al, v. State Water Resources Control Board; Westlands, Intervenors (2015 TUCP Orders)
- 13) SLDMWA & Westlands v. State Water Resources Control Board (2015 TUCP Extension)
- 14) Westside Irrigation District v. State Water Resources Control Board; Westlands, Intervenors (2015 Draft Cease and Desist Order)
- 15) SLDMWA & Westlands v. U.S. Dept. of Interior (OCAP EIS)
- 16) Natural Resources Defense Council v. Environmental Protection Agency; Westlands, Intervenors (Clean Water Act and TUCPs)
- 17) North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al, v. U.S. Dept. of Interior; Westlands, Intervenors (2016-2018 Interim Renewal Contract EA)
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(2), (3), or (4) Number of Potential Cases: Four (4)
- c. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code section 54957(b)(1))
  Title: General Counsel

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