



NON-AGENDA

April 29, 2016

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Board correspondence has been removed from the online posting of the Non-Agenda to protect personal contact information. Lengthy reports and attachments are not included due to file size limitations. Copies of Board correspondence and/or reports may be obtained by submitting a public records request to publicrecords@valleywater.org.

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ACWA Spring Conference in Monterey Draws Water Innovators May 3-6

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Wed, 04/27/2016 - 3:12pm



Connecting California's culture of innovation to water sustainability and new technology are among the the themes that will be explored May 3 – 6 at ACWA's 2016 Spring Conference & Exhibition in Monterey.

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State Water Board to Initiate Rulemaking on Drinking Water Fees

Submitted by Pamela Martineau on Wed, 04/27/2016 - 3:43pm



The State Water Resources Control Board is set to initiate a formal rulemaking process April 29 on draft regulations for annual public water system operating fees.

The draft regulations are aimed at increasing total funding for the state's Drinking Water Program and providing the State Water Board more flexibility to address priority drinking water issues.

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CDFA Announces \$16 Million in Awards for Water Efficiency Projects

Submitted by Emily Allshouse on Mon, 04/25/2016 - 10:54am



The California Department of Food and Agriculture Monday announced \$16 million in awards for 129 projects under its State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP), which supports projects that result in on-farm greenhouse gas emissions reductions and water savings.

SWEEP is funded through the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund referred to as the "California Climate Investment" program. According to CDFA, the 129 projects selected during this round of funding also will leverage an addition \$9.7 million in cost-share dollars.

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U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Boosts Allocation for Friant Class 1 Contractors to 50%

Submitted by Emily Allshouse on Fri, 04/22/2016 - 9:50am



The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Thursday announced it has increased the water supply allocation for Friant Division Class 1 contractors from 40% to 50%.

According to a statement released by the Bureau, Thursday's increase was made possible by "improved forecasted hydrologic conditions, commercial power operations in the Upper San Joaquin River Basin, current storage in Millerton Lake, and cooler weather demand patterns."

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DWR Increases State Water Project Allocation Estimate to 60%

Submitted by Emily Allshouse on Thu, 04/21/2016 - 3:52pm



Crediting March storms for boosting water levels in Northern California reservoirs, the California Department of Water Resources Thursday increased its State Water Project water delivery estimate for 2016 to 60% of requests.

Collectively, SWP contractors serve approximately 25 million Californians and just under a million acres of irrigation farmland. With Thursday's increase, the 29 public agencies that received SWP water can expect 2,527,629 acre-feet of the roughly 4.1 million acre-feet of requested supplies for the year.

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Water: 2016

Thu, 04/28/2016 - 9:00am - 3:30pm

Location: 1123 J St. 3rd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

Presented by Capitol Weekly and the UC Center, this annual conference is devoted to California water policy. As Californians live through a historic drought, the state's leaders seek solutions to age-old problems. New groundwater rules, restrictions on water use, and fights over new storage and transportation projects loom in 2016 – with a proposed ballot initiative that would restrict large infrastructure projects looming over all.

This day-long conference will be filmed for broadcast by the California Channel.

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ACWA 2016 Spring Conference & Exhibition

Tue, 05/03/2016 - Fri, 05/06/2016

Location: Monterey Marriott and Portola Hotels

ACWA's 2016 Spring Conference & Exhibition is set for May 3-6, 2016, at the Marriott and Portola hotels in Monterey. The theme is "2016: It's Go Time".

Online Registration & cancellation deadline was April 8, 2016 - 4:30 p.m. (PST)

IMPORTANT LINKS:

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California Financing Coordinating Committee Funding Fair

Tue, 05/10/2016

Location: San Luis Obispo City County Library 995 Palm Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

The CFCC invites city managers and planners, economic development and engineering professionals, officials from privately owned facilities, water and irrigation district managers, financial advisors and project consultants to attend this free funding fair.

CFCC agencies fund primarily the following types of infrastructure projects:

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San Diego Tour 2016

Thu, 05/19/2016 - 7:30am - Fri, 05/20/2016 - 6:00pm

Location: TBD

Sponsored by the Water Education Foundation, this field trip includes a private tour of the new Carlsbad ocean desalination plant, the largest seawater desalination plant in the Western Hemisphere designed to increase the San Diego area's water supply reliability.

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California Financing Coordinating Committee Funding Fair

Wed, 06/01/2016

Location: Coachella Valley Water District 51501 Tyler St Coachella, CA 92236

The CFCC invites city managers and planners, economic development and engineering professionals, officials from privately owned facilities, water and irrigation district managers, financial advisors and project consultants to attend this free funding fair.

CFCC agencies fund primarily the following types of infrastructure projects:

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Third Annual California Water Summit

Wed, 06/01/2016 - Fri, 06/03/2016

Location: The Westin, Sacramento

Infocast's 3rd California Water Summit includes intensive discussion & networking with key regulators, municipalities, utilities, developers, investors, financiers, water technology companies, and other stakeholders in California water. This year's Summit is titled "Investing in Water Assets & Infrastruc

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International Groundwater Conference

Tue, 06/28/2016 - Thu, 06/30/2016

Location: Hyatt Regency at the San Francisco Airport in Burlingame.

Organized by the Water Education Foundation and the UC Davis Robert M. Hagan Endowed Chair, **Toward Sustainable Groundwater in Agriculture: 2nd International Conference Linking Science and Policy** will provide scientists, policymakers, agricultural and environmental stakeholders, government officials and consultants with the latest scientific, management, legal and policy advances for sustaining our groundwater resources in agricultural regions around the world.

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ACWA 2016 Continuing Legal Education for Water Professionals

Thu, 09/15/2016 - Fri, 09/16/2016

Location: San Diego, CA

ACWA's 2016 Continuing Legal Education will take place September 15-16, 2016 in San Diego.

More details to come.

SAVE THE DATE! ACWA Region 5 Program & Tour - September 18-19, 2016

Sun, 09/18/2016 - Mon, 09/19/2016

Location: Byron, CA

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September 18 & 19, 2016

Byron, CA

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CEO BULLETIN



TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM: NORMA J. CAMACHO

CEO BULLETIN

Week of April 22 – 28, 2016

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Board Policy EL-7: Communication and Support to the Board

The BAOs inform and support the Board in its work.

Further, a BAO shall:

Inform the Board of relevant trends, anticipated adverse media coverage, or material external and internal changes, particularly changes in the assumptions upon which any Board policy has previously been established.

Report in a timely manner an actual or anticipated noncompliance with any policy of the Board.

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS

Keegan

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R-16-0009

This is a follow-up to the CEO Bulletin that the board received on Thursday, March 31, 2016.

As part of the district's efforts to design a public outreach program about fluoridation, staff met with representatives of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) to learn more about their successful program, which was implemented in 2005, when community water fluoridation was expanded from the City of San Francisco to the Peninsula, East Bay cities, and the northern parts of Santa Clara County.

A key component of SFPUC's fluoride outreach program included coordinating with San Mateo and Santa Clara County Public Health Departments and other health experts to inform pediatricians, dental care providers, and pharmacists about fluoridation. These health care providers, in turn, shared the information on fluoridation with their patients and families.

Another example is the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's (MWD) fluoridation outreach program, which also involved working with various health departments within their service area when MWD began fluoridating in 2007.

The water district is in the process of scheduling a meeting with the Santa Clara County Public Health Department, Health Trust of Santa Clara County, California Dental Association, and the Santa Clara County Dental Society to collaborate and establish roles for coordinating outreach efforts. This would include developing guidance to share with health experts and their patients regarding children and fluoride supplements and baby bottle feeding.

The district also has an online FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) available at valleywater.org, which includes guidance from the American Dental Association and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding fluoride and infants. Information will continue to be posted on the external website about the water district's fluoridation outreach program and who to contact for guidance on fluoride and young children. Speakers who brought up these questions at recent board meetings will receive a copy of this response via email.

CDC's fluoridation related information can also be found at:

http://www.cdc.gov/fluoridation/safety/infant_formula.htm

For further information, please contact Angela Cheung at (408) 630-2735.

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**Look into whether it is more appropriate for staff to attend the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Commission meetings versus a Director
R-16-0015**

The Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Commission (Commission) was established to promote, aid, and encourage public recreation, including the development of recreation and park facilities and programs.

The Commission acts in an advisory capacity to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors in the planning, maintenance, development, and operation of all recreational areas and facilities owned, controlled, or leased by Santa Clara County.

It is composed of seven members, appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The water district is not one of the appointed members. The water district provides information about water district projects of interest to the Commission. Currently, the board appoints a Director to attend the Commission's bi-monthly meetings.

Given the water district's role, it is recommended that staff attend the Commission's bi-monthly meetings and beginning in May 2016, the CEO will assign staff as the water district liaison.

For further information, please contact Michele King at (408) 630-2711.

BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS & INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Request	Completed Date	Meeting Date	Director	GM / AGM	Description	20 Days Due Date	Expected Completion Date	Disposition
R-16-0011	Pending	02/23/16	Estremera	Camacho	The Board request the Audit Committee to review the scope/development of the Lower Silver Creek Flood Protection Project 40264008, Reaches 406A, Dobern Bridge, and return recommendations to the Board. (Assign to N. Camacho as current Acting CEO)	03/24/16		
R-16-0016	Pending	03/29/16	Estremera Keegan	Nava	Staff is requested to investigate anti-nepotism policies at other public agencies, in regards to disclosure or transparency of Board member/elected official's relations with staff.	04/19/16		
R-15-0040	Pending	10/27/15	Hsueh	Camacho	Communications and Government Relations to strategize and share information and message presented by CEO and staff in Item 2.3 - Staff Report in Response to Board Request Related to Recent Media Coverage.	11/19/15		
R-16-0003	Pending	01/26/16	Hsueh	Nava	Staff is to investigate the benefit of continued participation in the Association of CA Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority.	02/16/16		
R-16-0015	Pending	03/22/16	Hsueh	King	Look into whether it is more appropriate for staff to attend the Santa Clara County Park & Rec. meetings versus a Director.	04/12/16		
R-16-0009	Pending	02/23/16	Keegan	Fiedler	Chairperson Keegan requests staff to prepare information for those speakers who had questions on fluoridation for education of young children and to contact them when the information is ready for dissemination.	03/16/16	04/13/16	03/31/16 CEO Bulletin. 03/07/16 Information Only.
R-16-0013	Pending	03/22/16	Keegan	Fiedler	Staff is requested to respond to Marlies Lee's questions asked during 3/22/16 Public Comment, regarding Fluoride.	04/12/16		
R-16-0017	Pending	03/29/16	Keegan	Yamamoto	District Counsel to prepare a memo to Board, memorializing in writing what levels of authority are granted to individual directors when they are appointed by the Board to represent District on external committees.	04/19/16		
R-16-0018	Pending	03/29/16	Keegan	King	Staff to revise Board External Committee appointment list so that annual review includes participation/purpose/duties/role information.	04/19/16		04/13/16 CEO Bulletin.

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R-16-0019	Pending	03/29/16	Keegan	King	Staff to agendize Board discussion on policies pertaining to Brown Act requirements including discussion on differences in various Board committees and how they are treated in accordance with the Brown Act.	04/19/16		
R-16-0021	Pending	04/12/16	Keegan	Nava	Staff to take a preliminary look at the use of PLAs on Non-federal District projects.	05/03/16		
R-16-0022	Pending	04/12/16	Keegan	Fiedler	Staff to respond to fluoride comments/questions asked, during Public Comment, by Maureen Jones, Paul MacAdams, Arlene Goetze and Marlies Lee.	05/03/16		
R-16-0029	Pending	04/26/16	Keegan	Camacho	Staff to look into property along Guadalupe River that was fenced by the City of San Jose during construction of the trail to see if it encroaches on District property.	05/17/16		
R-16-0028	Pending	04/19/16	Keegan Kremen Lezotte	Fiedler	Staff to respond to Mr. Michael Frost's questions on the CA WaterFix during public comment on 4/15/16; include information on the estimated construction timelines; and respond in the Nonagenda.	05/09/16		
R-16-0023	Pending	04/12/16	Kremen	Fiedler	Staff to provide Board with a list of unpermitted surface water users.	05/03/16		
R-16-0026	Pending	04/15/16	Kremen	Fiedler	Staff to provide a wish list of redundancies/loops in the District's pipeline infrastructure and the associated costs.	05/09/16		
R-16-0027	Pending	04/15/16	Kremen	Fiedler	Staff to provide the Board with a schematic showing how conveyance of water through California Water Fix facilities is limited by conveyance through existing Delta pumping plants.	05/09/16		
R-16-0024	Pending	04/12/16	Lezotte	Fiedler	Staff to provide information on the Metropolitan Water District's plans to purchase islands in the Delta and whether this is an option for the District.	05/03/16		
R-16-0025	Pending	04/12/16	Lezotte	Fiedler	Staff to provide information on the Contra Costa Water District settlement related to the WaterFix, including any impacts to the District.	05/03/16		
R-16-0020	Pending	03/15/16	Santos	Fiedler	Staff is to come back with an update on his previous request for information on a water truck.	04/27/16		

Request	Completed Date	Request Date	Director	GM / AGM	Description	20 Days Due Date	Expected Completion Date	Disposition
I-15-0054	Pending	12/10/15	Kremen	Fiedler	Chair Kremen requests staff to provide 1) apples-to-apples acre-feet (separate rates for North and South) comparisons of: -Proposed recycling-DPR; -Proposed recycling-IPR; - WaterFix; -long term SWP purchases- what do we pay now?; -semitropic costs; -lawn replacement; -grey water; -cost to idle land in the south; - Please show the assumptions including rates and DCR. 2) More detailed cost estimate for DPR vs IPR; and 3) More detailed methodology behind current and new recycled O&M costs and methodology behind 60% utilization/yield factor.	12/30/15		01/22/16 CEO Bulletin.
I-16-0011	Pending	04/08/16	Kremen	Fiedler	Staff is requested to provide information concerning the District's involvement in the San Luis Transmission Project including potential financing options and opportunities for various levels of participation.	04/28/16		
I-16-0009	Pending	04/05/16	Santos Varela	Camacho	Staff to provide information on Llagas Creek-Lower, Capacity Restoration project: Schedule, SCVWD policies re trails along the creek, history of collaboration with City on trails/public pathways planning on this project and any similar project in the future.	04/27/16		
I-16-0010	Pending	04/05/16	Santos Varela	Fiedler	Regarding the District's 5o-o-year CIP FY 2017-21, staff to provide a schedule for soliciting input and to release the draft report earlier.	04/27/16		
I-16-0008	Pending	03/23/16	Varela	Camacho	Provide Director Varela with a map showing his district's boundaries.	04/12/16		03/24/16 CEO Bulletin.
I-16-0012	Pending	04/05/16	Varela	Fiedler	Request staff to provide the following informtion on San Pedro Ponds: list of water supply sources, pond management activities, and reasons for ponds fill/dry decisions throughout the year.	04/28/16		
I-16-0014	Pending	04/26/16	Varela	Camacho	Staff to provide information on a study done on capturing the plumes of steam generated from the Moss Landing Power Plant as a source of water.	05/17/16		