DESERT WATER AGENCY DECEMBER 17, 2024



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

8:00 A.M. OPERATIONS CENTER - 1200 SOUTH GENE AUTRY TRAIL - PALM SPRINGS - CALIFORNIA

This meeting will be held virtually and in person. The link and the telephone option provided is for the convenience of the public.

Toll Free: (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 833 2141 6242 Passcode: 683622 or Via Computer:

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Members of the public who wish to comment on any item within the jurisdiction of the Agency or any item on the agenda may submit comments by emailing sbaca@dwa.org or may do so during the meeting. Comments will become part of the Board meeting record.

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Los miembros del público que deseen comentar sobre cualquier tema dentro de la jurisdicción de la Agencia o cualquier tema en la agenda pueden enviar comentarios por correo electrónico a sbaca@dwa.org o pueden hacerlo durante la reunión. Los comentarios pasarán a formar parte del registro de la reunión de la Junta.

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1. CALL TO ORDER ORTEGA

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ORTEGA

3. ROLL CALL BACA

- **4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:** Members of the public may comment on any item not listed on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the Agency. Speakers are requested to keep their comments to no more than three (3) minutes. As provided in the Brown Act, the Board is prohibited from acting on items not listed on the agenda.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS LISTED ON THE AGENDA: Members of the public may also comment on items listed on the agenda that are not the subject of a public hearing at this time. Again, speakers are requested to keep their comments to no more than three (3) minutes.

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- 6. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS: Items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be acted upon by one motion of the Board without discussion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Board Member requests a specific item to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.
 - A. Approve Minutes of the December 3, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
 - B. Receive and File Minutes of the December 11, 2024 Public Affairs & Conservation Committee Meeting
 - C. Receive and File Minutes of the December 12, 2024 Executive Board Meeting
 - D. Receive and File November 2024 Public Affairs & Conservation Activities & Events
 - E. Request Approval Contract Extension with Reeb Government Relations, LLC
 - F. Request Board Authorization for General Manager to Submit a Cost Share Letter to the United States Bureau of Reclamation for the WaterSMART Grants: Water and Energy Efficiency Grant.

7. ACTION ITEM(S):

A. Request Adoption of Resolution No. 1341 Granting Retirement Status to Eddie Gonzalez

JOHNSON

B. Request Board Action on Customer Appeal-Steve Remball

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C. Request Adoption of the Desert Water Agency Legislative & Policy Platform for 2025-2026

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8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

JOHNSON

- 9. DIRECTORS REPORTS ON MEETINGS/EVENTS ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF THE AGENCY
- 10. DIRECTORS COMMENTS/REQUESTS
- 11. CLOSED SESSION
 - A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (1)

Name of Case: PacBell vs. County of Riverside

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (1)

Name of Case: Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians vs. Coachella Valley Water District, et al

Two Cases

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISITING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (a)

Desert Water Agency Employees Association v. Desert Water Agency

PERB Case No. LA-CE-1727-M

12. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION – REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

13. ADJOURN

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DECLARATION OF POSTING

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, I certify that this agenda has been posted at least 72 hours prior to the meeting on the Agency's website at www.dwa.org and at the Agency's office located at 1200 South Gene Autry Trail, Palm Springs, CA.