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**REGULAR MEETING
of the
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MONTECITO WATER DISTRICT
583 SAN YSIDRO ROAD, MONTECITO, CALIFORNIA**

**TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024
9:30 A.M.**

Attend in Person or Join by Teleconference:

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Remote Meeting Location:

St. Orres Hotel
36601 S. Highway 1
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AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 3. PUBLIC FORUM**

This portion of the agenda may be utilized by any member of the public to address and ask questions of the Board of Directors on any matter not on the agenda within the jurisdiction of the Montecito Water District. Depending upon the subject matter, the Board of Directors may be unable to respond at this time, or until the specific item is placed on the agenda at a future MWD Board meeting in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items are to be approved or accepted by vote on one motion unless a Board member requests separate consideration:

- * A. Meeting Minutes of April 29, 2024
- * B. Payment of Bills for April 2024
- * C. Investment of District Funds as of April 30, 2024
- * D. Unaudited Monthly Financial Report for April 2024
- * E. Waterworks Reports for April 2024

* Indicates attachment included for this item

5. DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND GENERAL MANAGER REPORTS

- *A. INFORMATIONAL: Discussion of proposed Ordinance No. 99, an ordinance establishing water use efficiency policies and recommendations
- *B. Water Management Program Agreement with Homer LLC for the District's transfer (or sale) of surplus State Water Project water
 - i. ACTION ITEM: Consider a determination that the Water Management Program Agreement is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and authorize the filing of a Notice of Exemption with the appropriate local and state agencies
 - ii. ACTION ITEM: Discussion and possible approval of the Water Management Program Agreement with Homer LLC for the District's transfer (sale) of surplus State Water Project water
- *C. INFORMATIONAL: Discussion of the Draft *2024 Asset Management Plan* prepared by Wood Rodgers Inc.
- *D. INFORMATIONAL: Discussion of the Evaluation of Injection of Potable Water in the Montecito Groundwater Basin
- *E. ACTION ITEM: Authorization of a Cost Recovery Agreement with the United States Forest Service for the Juncal Pipeline Project resulting from the January 2023 Storms
- *F. INFORMATIONAL: Customer Relations and Public Information Update
- *G. INFORMATIONAL: General Manager Report
- H. INFORMATIONAL: Update on ASADRA funding for the Reservoir Retrofit and Replacement Project

6. DISTRICT BUSINESS REPORT

- *A. ACTION ITEM: Ratification of the Cachuma Conservation Release Board Fiscal Year 2025 Budget
- *B. INFORMATIONAL: Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Workshop
- *C. INFORMATIONAL: Discussion of proposed Resolution No. 2275 establishing a Water Availability Charge for implementation of water distribution system upgrades for Fiscal Year 2025
- *D. INFORMATIONAL: Discussion of proposed Resolution No. 2279 adopting an annual increase of Miscellaneous Fees for Fiscal Year 2025
- *E. INFORMATIONAL: Discussion of proposed Resolution No. 2280 adopting an annual increase of Capital Cost Recovery and Connection Fees for Fiscal Year 2025
- *F. INFORMATIONAL: Discussion of proposed Resolution No. 2282 adopting a Reserve Policy for Fiscal Year 2025

7. DIRECTOR AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. President's Report: Director Coates
- B. Operations & Customer Relations Committee: Director Goebel
- C. Finance Committee: Director Plough
- D. Strategic Planning Committee: Director Coates
- E. Central Coast Water Authority: Director Coates
- F. Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board: Director Hayman
- G. Cachuma Conservation Release Board: Director Plough
- H. Santa Barbara County Chapter of the California Special Districts Association: Director Wicks
- I. ACWA JPIA: Director Wicks
- J. CalDesal: Director Wicks
- K. Ad hoc Committee - Legislative Matters: Director Goebel
- L. Ad hoc Committee - Development of Water Transfer Agreement with Homer LLC:
Director Goebel
- M. Ad hoc Committee – Water Rights Opportunities: Director Coates

8. LEGAL MATTERS

- A. Recent and Pending Legal Matters Review – Oral Report
- B. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation, City of Solvang Petition to Change Water Rights Permit 1587 8 before the State Water Resources Control Board Administrative Hearing Office.
- C. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2) Anticipated Litigation – 1 case.

9. DIRECTOR REQUESTS

Requests from Directors for items other than regular agenda items for the next regular Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 25, 2024 or any future meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

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