AGENDA FOR A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE VALLECITOS WATER DISTRICT
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2015, AT 4:00 P.M.
AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE
201 VALLECITOS DE ORO, SAN MARCOS, CALIFORNIA

CALL TO ORDER – PRESIDENT EVANS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

In the case of an emergency, items may be added to the Agenda by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. An emergency is defined as a work stoppage; a crippling disaster; or other activity which severely imperils public health, safety, or both. Also, items which arise after the posting of the Agenda may be added by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.

ADOPT AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Persons wishing to address a matter not on the Agenda may be heard at this time; however, no action will be taken until the matter is placed on a future agenda in accordance with Board policy.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar will be voted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items, unless a Board member or member of the public requests that a particular item(s) be removed from the Consent Calendar, in which case it will be considered separately under Action Items.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

   A. REGULAR BOARD MEETING - SEPTEMBER 2, 2015
   B. FINANCE/INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING - SEPTEMBER 3, 2015

   Approved minutes become a permanent public record of the District.

   Recommendation: Approve Minutes

1.2 WARRANT LIST THROUGH SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 – $1,185,676.94

   Recommendation: Approve Warrant List
1.3 FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. WATER METER COUNT – AUGUST 31, 2015
B. WATER PRODUCTION/SALES REPORT – 2015/2016
C. WATER REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT – AUGUST 31, 2015
D. SEWER REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT – AUGUST 31, 2015
E. RESERVE FUNDS ACTIVITY – AUGUST 31, 2015
F. INVESTMENT REPORT – AUGUST 31, 2015

*****END OF CONSENT CALENDAR*****

PUBLIC HEARING

2.1 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE VALLECITOS WATER DISTRICT CERTIFYING AS COMPLETE AND ADEQUATE THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE ROCK SPRINGS SEWER PROJECT

The Public Hearing is to consider the adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Rock Springs Sewer Replacement Project and to consider more efficient mitigation monitoring measures.

Recommendation:  
1) Hold Public Hearing  
2) Adopt Resolution  
3) File a Notice of Determination  
4) File a Certificate of Fee Exemption

ACTION ITEMS

3.1 DROUGHT UPDATE

Recommendation: For information only

3.2 DESALINATED WATER DISTRIBUTION PRESENTATION

The District entered in a uniform contract with the San Diego County Water Authority for the direct purchase of 3,500 acre feet per year of desalinated water.

Recommendation: For information only

3.3 SAN MARCOS ARTS COUNCIL – HORSE HERITAGE FESTIVAL

The San Marcos Arts Council is interested in working to partner with the District for a water themed art display at the Horse Heritage Festival on October 19.

Recommendation: Request Board direction
3.4 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS (CSUSM) WATER FORUM SERIES: FRESH PERSPECTIVES ON CALIFORNIA’S WATER FUTURE – MEETING ATTENDANCE PER DIEM APPROVAL

CSUSM is not on the list of organizations for which meetings are considered compensable under District Ordinance No. 194. Approval for per diem is required.

Recommendation: Request Board direction

*****END OF ACTION ITEMS*****

REPORTS

4.1 GENERAL MANAGER

4.2 DISTRICT LEGAL COUNSEL

4.3 SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

4.4 ENCINA WASTEWATER AUTHORITY
   - Capital Improvement Committee
   - Policy and Finance Committee

4.5 DIRECTORS REPORTS ON MEETINGS/CONFERENCES/SEMINARS ATTENDED

*****END OF REPORTS*****

OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 MEETINGS

ACWA FALL CONFERENCE
November 30 – December 4 – Renaissance & Hyatt Regency, Indian Wells, CA

*****END OF OTHER BUSINESS*****

6.1 DIRECTORS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

*****END OF DIRECTORS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS*****
CLOSED SESSION

7.1 CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(a) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (ONE CASE)
Citizens Development Corporation, v. County of San Diego, et al.
United States District Court, for the Southern District of California
Case No. 12CV0334 IEG RBB

7.2 CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.95 LIABILITY CLAIM – CLAIMANT:
Linda L. Cook

*****END OF CLOSED SESSION*****

8.1 ADJOURNMENT

*****END OF AGENDA*****

If you have any disability which would require accommodation in order to enable you to participate in this meeting, please call the Executive Secretary at 760.744.0460 ext. 264 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Audio and video recordings of all Board meetings are available to the public at the District website www.vwd.org

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I, Diane Posvar, Executive Secretary of the Vallecitos Water District, hereby certify that I caused the posting of this Agenda in the outside display case at the District office, 201 Vallecitos de Oro, San Marcos, California by 3:00 p.m., Friday, September 11, 2015.

Diane Posvar
President Evans called the Regular meeting to order at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

Director Martin led the pledge of allegiance.

Present: Director Elitharp  
Director Martin  
Director Sannella  
Director Evans  

Absent: Director Hernandez  

Staff Present: General Manager Lamb  
Assistant General Manager Scaglione  
Legal Counsel Scott  
Administrative Services Manager Emmanuel  
District Engineer Gumpel  
Finance Manager Fusco  
Operations & Maintenance Manager Pedrazzi  
Public Information/Conservation Supervisor Robbins  
Executive Secretary Posvar  
Administrative Secretary Johnson  

ADOPT AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 16, 2015  

15-09-04 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Sannella, seconded by Director Elitharp, and carried unanimously, with Director Hernandez absent, to adopt the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of September 16, 2015.  

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS  

Mike Hunsaker, member of the public, addressed the Board stating he wished to speak about one aspect of the Master Water Plan that is under discussion. There are many other issues, but the one that concerned him the most is mobile home parks. A study was done on water demands for various land uses. Mobile home parks are one thing that has been recognized as separate by Vallecitos Water District and its management. For example, a single family dwelling is supposed to have capacity of around 250 gallons per day, a mobile home about 200 gallons per day, and an apartment around 180. From the water factors on the bills he’s seen, it is substantially below 200 gallons per day for a mobile home. He emphasized that the name “mobile home” is often a misnomer. Most of the homes in the District are not mobile homes, but are manufactured homes on a lot. There’s quite a bit of difference.  

This land use is a recognized separate land use, so finding where and what they are is fairly easy. Many of them have master meters, so all you have to do is get the master meter reading, divide by the number of spaces and you have a figure. He thanked the Board.
CONSENT CALENDAR

15-09-05 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Martin, seconded by Director Sannella, and carried unanimously, with Director Hernandez absent, to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

1.1 Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Board Meeting – September 2, 2015
B. Finance/Investment Committee Meeting – September 3, 2015

1.2 Warrant List through September 16, 2015 - $1,185,676.94

1.3 Financial Reports

A. Water Meter Count – August 31, 2015
C. Water Revenue and Expense Report – August 31, 2015
D. Sewer Revenue and Expense Report – August 31, 2015
E. Reserve Funds Activity – August 31, 2015
F. Investment Report – August 31, 2015

PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE VALLECITOS WATER DISTRICT CERTIFYING AS COMPLETE AND ADEQUATE THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE ROCK SPRINGS SEWER PROJECT

President Evans opened the hearing as duly noted and posted. The hearing was opened at 4:06 p.m.

District Engineer Gumpel stated the Rock Springs Sewer Project replaces an existing 8-inch gravity sewer pipeline that conveys wastewater from the intersection of Rock Springs Road and Bennett Avenue west through a greenbelt area to an existing 12-inch pipeline in Rock Springs Road at Lancer Park Avenue. The existing 8-inch clay pipe will be abandoned and replaced with new 15-inch PVC pipe. A project of this size requires the District to follow the CEQA process to evaluate the effects of the proposed changes on the environment.

On April 15, 2015, the Board authorized circulation of the Rock Springs Sewer Project Notice of Preparation, Initial Study, and draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for 30-day public review. The 30-day public review period ended on June 4, 2015. These letters were received from the San Diego County Archaeological Society, Mr. Gene C. Armistead and the State Clearinghouse. In response to a request received from the San Diego County Archaeological Society, the District has enhanced its proposed mitigation measures to include a monitoring program in the event that cultural artifacts are uncovered during construction. Mr. Armistead’s letter was to compliment the District for the amount of detail in the Notice of Preparation. The State Clearinghouse
submitted notice stating that the public review period closed and no State agencies had submitted comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Staff recommended the Board adopt the resolution certifying the enhanced Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Rock Springs Sewer Project which also directs staff to file a Notice of Determination with the San Diego County Clerk and a Certificate of Fee Exemption with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

There being no persons wishing to address the Board, President Evans closed the hearing at 4:09 p.m.

15-09-06 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Martin, seconded by Director Sannella, and carried unanimously, with Director Hernandez absent, to adopt the resolution.

Resolution No. 1480 - The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Elitharp, Martin, Sannella, Evans
NOES: 
ABSTAIN: 
ABSENT: Hernandez

ACTION ITEMS

DROUGHT UPDATE

Public Information/Conservation Supervisor Robbins stated Governor Brown recently signed legislation sponsored by the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) that prohibits common interest developments (typically governed by homeowners associations, or HOAs) from banning artificial turf. Assembly Bill 349 takes effect immediately and will enhance outdoor water conservation opportunities statewide.

He further stated that earlier legislation supported by the SDCWA prevented common interest developments from prohibiting low water-use plants as a group or as replacement for turf grass. In addition, SDCWA-supported legislation prevents HOAs, except those that use recycled water for landscape irrigation, from imposing a fine or assessment on members for reducing or eliminating landscape irrigation when the Governor or local government officials have declared an emergency due to drought.

He noted the following:

• The District’s August 2015 water production decreased 20% from August 2014 and 27.3% from August 2013.
• In August 2015, residential customers used 93.6 gallons per day compared to August 2014, when residential customers used 110.2 gallons per day.
• A drought video created by the Conservation Department has been viewed by
11,546 people via social media.

- The Conservation Department is reaching out to residents of apartments and multifamily housing by distributing flyers and door hangers containing targeted water conservation messages. Both will be printed in English and Spanish.
- The number of drought-related phone calls received by the District has continued to decrease.
- Fiscal year-to-date water sales through August are $0.9 million, or 20.6%, less than budgeted. The impact is mitigated by the $0.2 million favorable budget variance in water costs and other favorable operating variances.

General discussion took place.

This item was presented for information only.

**DESALINATED WATER DISTRIBUTION PRESENTATION**

District Engineer Gumpel provided an overview of desalination, what it is, and how it will be integrated into the District’s water distribution system. The presentation included information on:

- District Service Area and Population
- Current Water Facilities
- Existing Wastewater Collection Facilities
- Meadowlark Water Reclamation Facility
- Twin Oaks Reservoir No. 1 and No. 2
- Current Water Supply Issues
- Carlsbad Seawater Desalination Project
- Carlsbad Seawater Desalination Plant
- Benefits of a Desalination Plant
- Increasing San Diego County’s Water Supply Reliability through Supply Diversification
- Carlsbad Desalination Plant Delivery System
- Project Components
- Total Project Costs (2012 dollars)
- Desalinated Water Integration
- Water Quality
- Seasonal Demands and Water Movement

Question and answer took place.

District Engineer Gumpel stated the District will hold public workshops in October and November at which information similar to what was presented to the Board will be provided.

General discussion took place.
This item was presented for information only.

Mike Hunsaker, member of the public, addressed the Board regarding desalinated water.

SAN MARCOS ARTS COUNCIL – HORSE HERITAGE FESTIVAL

This item was continued to a future Board meeting.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS (CSUSM) WATER FORUM SERIES: FRESH PERSPECTIVES ON CALIFORNIA’S WATER FUTURE – MEETING ATTENDANCE PER DIEM APPROVAL

General Manager Lamb stated this item was placed on the agenda at Director Martin’s request. CSUSM is hosting a series of three water forums. CSUSM is not on the list of organizations for which meetings are considered compensable under District Ordinance No. 194; therefore approval of per diem for attendance to the forums is required.

General discussion took place.

15-09-07 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Martin, seconded by Director Sannella, and carried unanimously, with Director Hernandez absent, to authorize per diem for attending the three CSUSM water forums.

REPORTS

GENERAL MANAGER

None.

DISTRICT LEGAL COUNSEL

None.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

President Evans reported that John Keker and Robert Van Nest, lawyers who worked with the SDCWA on the MWD litigation, were recently named two of the top 100 lawyers in the State of California by the *Daily Journal*. She stated the SDCWA recently refunded $195 million in bonds that were issued in 2008 and 2010, resulting in a savings of $15 million.
ENCINA WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

Director Elitharp reported on his attendance to the Policy and Finance Committee meeting on September 8, at which discussion took place recommending adoption of a drug and alcohol testing policy for employees operating commercial vehicles. Two closed sessions were also held regarding labor negotiations and the South Parcel.

DIRECTORS REPORTS ON TRAVEL/CONFERENCES/SEMINARS ATTENDED

Director Martin reported on this attendance to the September 3 Finance/Investment Committee meeting at the District office, the CSUSM water forum on September 9, the San Diego North Economic Development Council (SDNEDC) meeting on September 10, and the Council of Water Utilities (COWU) meeting on September 15.

Director Sannella reported on his attendance to the COWU meeting and the SDNEDC meeting.

Director Elitharp reported on his attendance to the SDNEDC meeting and the COWU meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS/FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(a)
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (ONE CASE)

Citizens Development Corporation, v. County of San Diego, et al.
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CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.95
LIABILITY CLAIM – CLAIMANT:

Linda L. Cook

15-09-08 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Sannella, seconded by Director Elitharp, and carried unanimously, with Director Hernandez absent, to move into Closed Session pursuant to Government Codes 54956.9(a) and 54956.95.
REPORT AFTER CLOSED SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at the hour of 5:40 p.m. The Board, in Closed Session, rejected the claim of Linda L. Cook.

The closed session regarding existing litigation was not needed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, President Evans adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors at the hour of 5:41 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Vallecitos Water District Board of Directors has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2015, at 4:00 p.m. at the District office, 201 Vallecitos de Oro, San Marcos, California.

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Betty D. Evans, President
Board of Directors
Vallecitos Water District

ATTEST:

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Dennis O. Lamb, Secretary
Board of Directors
Vallecitos Water District