

Meeting: **Joint Sites Reservoir Committee & Authority Board**

**June 16, 2023
9:00 AM – Noon**

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122 Old Hwy 99W, Maxwell, CA 95955

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Authority Board Chair: Fritz Durst (Reclamation District 108)
Authority Board Vice Chair: Jeff Sutton (Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority)
Reservoir Committee Chair: Valerie Pryor (Zone 7 Water Agency)
Reservoir Committee Vice-Chair: Mike Azevedo (Colusa County)
Treasurer: Jamie Traynham (Davis Water District)

AGENDA

ROLL CALL & CALL TO ORDER:

- Introductions.
- Pledge of Allegiance.
- Approval of June 16, 2023, Joint Meeting Agenda.
- Announcement of Closed Session.
- Period for Public Comment.

Any person may speak about any subject of concern, provided it is within the Reservoir Committee's and Authority Board's jurisdiction, and a public comment card is submitted. The time allotted for receiving such public communication shall be 3 minutes per person. Note: No action shall be taken on comments made during this period.

1. Consent Agenda:

Approximate start time 9:10 am

The Executive Director reviewed the following items. To his knowledge, there is no opposition to the action. The items can be acted on in one consolidated motion as recommended or may be removed from the Consent Calendar and separately considered at the request of any person. Each item indicates the body authorized to approve such actions according to the JPA, Bylaws and Project Agreement.

- 1.1 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of May 19, 2023, Joint Reservoir Committee and Authority Board Meeting Minutes. **(Attachments A & B)**
- 1.2 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of June 5, 2023, Special Joint Reservoir Committee and Authority Board Meeting Minutes. **(Attachments A & B)**
- 1.3 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider acceptance of the Sites Project Authority Treasurer's Report. **(Attachment A & B)**

1.4 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of the Payment of Claims. **(Attachments A & B)**

1.5 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider authorizing the Executive Director to enter into a new Memorandum of Agreement that outlines roles and responsibilities along with cost sharing for the remainder of Phase 2 and 3 of the Project with the Bureau of Reclamation.

2. Action Items: Approximate start time 9:15 am

2.1 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval for staff to proceed with negotiation of the Benefits and Obligations Contract (Draft 1) with Participants. **(Attachment A and B)**

2.2 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider authorizing the Executive Director to enter into two contracts for geotech monitoring as-needed services with the Cachil Dehe Band of Wintun along with geotech monitoring as-needed services and an ethnographic study with the Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians for a total of up to \$370,000 through December 2024, with a not-to-exceed of \$210,000 for fiscal year 2023.

3. Discussion and Information Items: Approximate start time 9:45 am
No action from the Reservoir Committee or Authority Board.

3.1 Review and comment on the Final Environmental Impact Report /Environmental Impact Statement, Part 3 (continued) status briefing in preparation for approval of the Project. **(Attachment A)**

3.2 Receive an update on the Federal Biological Assessment/Biological Opinion and State Operations Incidental Take Permit application.

3.3 Review and comment on updated Project schedule development findings and recommendations for Amendment 3 work plan update. **(Attachments A & B)**

3.4 Discuss the draft principles establishing guidelines for the Sites Project’s use of the Lower Colusa Basin Drain and Knights Landing Ridge Cut.

3.5 Receive an update on the current thinking of the Governance Ad Hoc Committee with regard to governance adjustments to be implemented following investor commitment. **(Attachment A)**

4. Reports: Approximate start time 11:15 am

4.1 Chairpersons’ Reports:

This time is set aside to allow the Reservoir Committee & Authority Board Chair/Co-Chair an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project.

4.2 Committee & Workgroup Chairpersons' Reports:

This time is set aside to allow the Committee & Workgroup Chairpersons an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project.

4.3 Authority Board & Reservoir Committee Participant Reports:

This time is set aside to allow Representatives or their Alternates an opportunity to disclose/discuss items related to the Sites Project.

4.4 Executive Director's Reports:

- Monthly status report. **(Attachment A)**
- Work Plan Key Deliverables Report. **(Attachment B)**
- Meetings Action Items Summary. **(Attachment C)**

5. Closed Session: Approximate start time 11:30 am

5.1 Negotiations concerning water right permit terms and conditions (Govt. Code §54956.9(c) and §54956.9(d)(4)).

5.2 Conference with Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation; significant exposure to litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(2)) (1 Item).

6. Report from Closed Session Approximate start time 11:55 am

7. Recap: Approximate start time 12:00 pm

7.1 Suggested Future Agenda Items.

7.2 Upcoming Meetings:

Joint Reservoir Committee & Authority Board
Friday, July 21, 2023 (9:00 am to noon)

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