### NOTICE FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT (SWSD) ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF SWSD, THE SWSD GSA, AND THE SEMITROPIC, BUTTONWILLOW, POND-POSO AND

## WILDLIFE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS OF SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Semitropic Water Storage District will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

DATED AND POSTED pursuant to Government Code Section 54955 at the District office this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2024.

Jason Gianquinto, General Manager

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# **AGENDA**

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT

ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT, THE SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY, AND

THE SEMITROPIC, BUTTONWILLOW, POND-POSO AND WILDLIFE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS OF SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT

1101 Central Avenue, Wasco, California 93280 September 11, 2024, at 12:30 pm

- 1. Call to Order: President Waterhouse
- 2. Flag Salute
- 3. Acknowledgment of guests:
- 4. Public Comment Period:

#### 5. **Potential Action Items:**

- (a) Approval of Agenda Asterisk (\*) Indicates a Change from the Posted Agenda
- (b) Approve Minutes: Regular Meeting of August 14, 2024, and the GSA Meeting August 14, 2024,
- (c) Approve Treasurer's Reports for Semitropic Water Storage District & Semitropic Improvement District: August 2024
- (d) Review Financial Reports/Present Financial Statements
- (e) Approve Payment of Bills as Listed on the Current Disbursement List, September 11, 2024
- (f) Consider Landowner Private Access Easement Request APN:046-24004
- (g) Consider Cost Proposal from B&K Valves and Equipment (Waterman) for the Procurement of a Slide Gate for the ST2 Hydro Building
- (h) Consider Approval of GEI Task Order 05-2024 for Engineering Services to prepare a grant application under USBR's WaterSMART Drought Response Program

#### (i) Semitropic Water Storage District GSA:

- 1) SGMA Updates and Discussion
  - a. Review of SWRCB Tour and Workshops
  - b. Basin Coordination
  - c. Outreach
- 2) Potential Action Items:
  - a. SWRCB Draft Staff Report Comment Letter (Due September 23, 2024)

#### 6. **Consultant Reports:**

- (a) SWRU Construction Update by W.M. Lyles
- (b) Consulting Engineers GEI Consultants (B-E) Progress Report
- (c) BPR Dean Florez
- (d) REDTrac Greg Allen

#### 7. **Informational and Up-Date Items:**

- (a) Water Supply Update and Delta Issues
- (b) Delinquencies
- (c) Banking Project(s) Update
- (d) Southern California Water Bank Authority- JPA Activities
- (e) Delta Conveyance Project (DCP)

- (f) Energy Activities
- (g) Poso Creek Integrated Regional Water Management Plan
- (h) Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program
- (i) South Valley Water Resources Authority
- (i) Well Telemetry
- (k) Winter Work

#### 8. CLOSED SESSION

- a. Conference with legal counsel Re: Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)
  - 1) Various applications filed for Kings River Water by Semitropic WSD, et al.; Petition for Change of Points of Diversion, etc. (License 11521) filed by Kings River Water Assn.; and related matters and proceedings, before the State Water Resources Control Bd.
  - 2) Sierra Club v. California Department of Water Resources (DWR), etc. Re: Consolidated CEQA Case and "Complaint for Validation" Re: Delta Program Revenue Bonds, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2020-80003517 (consolidated), Third Appellate Dist., Case No. C100552
  - 3) Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District v. Kern County Water Agency, et al., Kern County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-21-100418
  - 4) Semitropic Water Storage Dist. v. The Dow Chemical Co., et al., Kern County Sup. Ct., Case No. BCV-21-102528
  - 5) Macut v. Wabash National, et al., Kern County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-22-100318
- b. Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Anticipated Litigation: Possible exposure to litigation pursuant Gov't Code § 54956.9(d)(2).
  - 1) Two Potential Cases.
- c. Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Anticipated Litigation: Possible initiation of litigation pursuant to Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(4)
  - 1) Two Potential Cases.
- d. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Govt. Code § 54956.8)

District's Designated Representative: General Manager

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

- 1) Property: State Water Project Supplies
  - a. Negotiation With: California Department of Water Resources, Kern County Water Agency and its Member Units, And State Water Contractors
- 2) Property: Acquisition of Water Supplies
  - a. Negotiation with: Multiple sellers
- 3) Property: Various
  - a. Negotiation with: Nuveen
- 4) Property: Acquisition of Water Supply
  - a. Negotiation with: Wonderful Nut Orchards LLC
- 9. Old Business/Correspondence

ADJOURNMENT - To 12:30 p.m. October 9, 2024

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