### 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, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

DATED AND POSTED pursuant to Government Code Section 54955 at the District office this 29th day of April, 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 May 8, 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 April 10, 2024, and the GSA Meeting April 10, 2024
- (c) Approve Treasurer's Reports for Semitropic Water Storage Dist. & Semitropic Improvement District: April 2024
- (d) Review Financial Reports/Present Financial Statements
- (e) Approve Payment of Bills as Listed on the Current Disbursement List, May 8, 2024
- (f) Consider Appointment of Alternate Director for the Southern California Water Bank Authority JPA Vacancy
- (g) Consider Adoption of Resolution(s) Fixing General Administrative Service Charges (GASC) and General Project Service Charges (GPSC) and Scheduling of June Public Hearing Thereon
- (h) Consider Cost Proposal from Woodard & Curran for Providing Environmental Consulting Services
- (i) Consider Cost Proposal from Ideal Electric/West Canyon to Perform Service Repairs on the ST#2 Hydro Generator

#### **Semitropic Water Storage District GSA:**

- 1) SGMA Updates and Discussion
- 2) Potential Action Items:
  - a. Discussion and possible action to:(a) approve final draft amendments to Groundwater Sustainability Plan [and appendix of projects and management actions for Groundwater Sustainability Agency], (b) authorize [its / their] submission by the Kern County Subbasin Point of Contact to the State Water Resources Control Board before May 29 for review by SWRCB staff, and (c) authorize [its / their] release for public review and comment.
  - b. Discussion and possible action to authorize execution of amended and restated Kern County Subbasin Coordination Agreement among subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies.
  - c. Discussion and possible action to authorize execution of Third Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement for Kern Non-Districted Land Authority (formerly Kern Groundwater Authority).
  - d. Discussion and possible action to authorize [updated] notification to cities and counties of intention to adopt new or amended Groundwater Sustainability Plan.

#### 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 Facility
- (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) DWR v. All Persons Interested, "Complaint for Validation" Re: SWP Contract Extension Amendment, Sacramento Superior Court, Case No. 34-2018-00246183, Third Appellate District, Case No. C096316
- 3) State of CA Dept. of Trans. v. Semitropic WSD, Kern County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-19-100326
- 4) State v. Pond Poso Improvement District of Semitropic Water Storage District, Kern County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-19-100786
- 5) 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
- 6) Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District v. Kern County Water Agency, et al., Kern County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-21-100418
- 7) KWBA, et al. v. Kern LAFCo, et al., Kern County Sup. Ct., Case No. BCV-21-101310
- 8) Semitropic Water Storage Dist. v. The Dow Chemical Co., et al., Kern County Sup. Ct., Case No. BCV-21-102528
- 9) Macut v. Wabash National, et al., Kern County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-22-100318
- 10) Sierra Club, et al., v. DWR, Sacramento County Sup. Ct., Case No. 24WM000008. and related cases, challenging DCP EIR

# 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
- 9. Old Business/Correspondence

ADJOURNMENT - To 12:30 p.m. June 12, 2024

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