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SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING AND AGENDA

MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority will be held on May 13th, 2016 at 9:00 am at the Fresno Irrigation District Office, [2907 S Maple Ave, Fresno, California 93725](http://www.fresnoirrigation.com).

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. Roll Call of Board Members
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance
 - c. **Approval** of April 8th, 2016 Meeting Minutes

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS
 - a. At this time, members of the public may speak about any subject of concern not appearing on the agenda, provided it is within the jurisdiction of the San Joaquin Valley Water Infrastructure Authority. The total amount of time allocated for this Public Comment Period shall be determined by the Authority President and each individual will be limited to 3 minutes each. Note: The matters presented during the Public Comment Period may not be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time.

3. TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 - a. **Status report** by staff on Technical Advisory Committee
 - i. Status of Board recommendations for committee
 - ii. Committee role in USBR MOU- *The Technical Advisory Committee will advise the Program Managers on water operations issues. The Authority member agencies and Reclamation will each provide a technical expert on water operations for the committee.*
 - iii. Direction to staff to explore and bring back recommendations for additional committee members
 1. Ag Industry
 2. Friant Water Contractors
 3. Fresno State
 4. DWR
4. FINANCIAL
 - a. **Status reports** by Alan Cade (Fresno County Deputy Auditor-Controller)
 - i. Transfer of funds, JPA expenses and balance in checking account
 - ii. Acquisition of JPA expense card
 - iii. **Approval** of Service Agreement for Legal Services by Tulare County – **(Attachment 1)**
 - iv. **Direction** to Fresno County to identify and recommend best Fidelity bond and Liability Insurance options
 1. ACWA Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA membership required)
 2. Other
 - b. Association of California Water Agencies membership presentation by Tim Quinn, Executive Director.
 - c. **Approval** of Employees benefits sub-committee recommendations
 - i. Directors Mendes, Lopez and Chedester
 - d. Approval for clerical services by Cheryl Lehn, Niesi Farmers League
 - i. Past (January –April 2016)
 - ii. Temporary (May-December 2016)
 - iii. Assistance after December 2016
 - e. Communications
 - i. Direction to staff to establish JPA e-mail addresses
 - ii. Explore costs associated with establishment of JPA website

5. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. **Staff Report** on JPA support letter for Congressman Valadao’s H.R. 2898, the “Western Water and American Food Security Act of 2015” – **(Letter - Attachment 2)**
- b. **Staff Report** on support letters to be sent to Senator Feinstein for her legislation “California Long-Term Provisions for Water Supply and Short-Term Provisions for Emergency Drought Relief Act”. – **(Attachment 3)**
 - i. Discuss similar letters be sent out by each Board Member agency
- c. **Staff Report** on AB-1649 “Water Quality, supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act 2014: Surface Storage Projects: Joint Powers Authority: Funding”.

6. INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

- a. California Water Commission/ Proposition One- Chapter 8
 - i. **Approval** for Board President to sign final Cost Share Memorandum between SJVWIA AND USBR for partnership in preparation of Proposition One Chapter Eight funding
 - 1. Overview of Draft MOU by Staff and Michelle H. Denning, USBR Division of Planning – **(Attachment 4)**
 - a. Purpose and Scope
 - i. To clearly define and implement the activities, schedule, and responsibilities to complete the USJRBSI and specified documents consistent with the Scope of Agreement
 - ii. Preparation of information required for a Water Storage Infrastructure Project Report for State funding of the USJRBSI, as well as operations studies necessary to develop construction cost-share agreements with potential beneficiaries
 - b. Roles and Responsibilities
 - i. Executive Steering Committee
 - ii. Project Manager
 - iii. Technical Advisory Committee
 - c. Financial Obligation
 - i. In-kind Services and reporting requirements
 - d. Term
 - i. 5 years

2. Staff report on proposed BLM “National Wild and Scenic” designation on the San Joaquin River – **(Attachment 5)**
 - a. Designation overview
 - b. JPA letter to Interior Secretary
 - c. Senator Feinstein and Congressional letters
 - d. State Legislators Letter
 - e. Counties and Cities Letters

ii. **Introductory comments** by California Water Commissioner David Orth.

b. OUTREACH

i. LEGISLATIVE

1. **Vice President Mendes Report** on Fresno County Council of Governments One Voice Trip to Washington D.C., April 16th-21st.
 - a. JPA Vice President Mendes, Board Member Mayor Lopez and Executive Director Santoyo
2. **Vice President Mendes Report** on meeting with Assembly Member Joaquin Arambula, March 29th, Fresno
 - a. JPA Vice President Mendes, Directors Lopez & Silva and Executive Director Santoyo

ii. GENERAL

1. **Staff Report** on Capitol Weekly Water Forum 2016 panel participation, April 28th, 2016 Sacramento.

7. NEXT MEETING – Friday, June 10th, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at Fresno Irrigation District

8. ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn

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