



# AGENDA

FOR PRESENTATION  
AT THE  
2043<sup>rd</sup> REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT



**APRIL 28, 2014 1:30 PM**

MRGCD General Office \* 1931 Second Street SW \* Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Meetings are held on second/fourth Mondays. Questions? Call the District Secretary at 247-0234  
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MRGCD Employees are Invited and Encouraged to Attend MRGCD Board Meetings

Times shown are approximate and are subject to change.

- 1:30 1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 1:32 2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
- 1:34 3. **APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAYROLL RATIFICATION**
  - a. Payment Ratification – April 15, 2014
  - b. Approval of March 2014 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wiggins
  - c. Approval of March 2014 Invoice of Law & Resource Planning Associates
- 1:36 4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**
  - a. Regular Board Meeting – April 14, 2014
- 1:38 5. **ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes)**
- 2:00 6. **REPORT(S) FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**
  - a. Bureau of Reclamation – Mike Hamman, Area Manager
  - b. Bureau of Indian Affairs – Sandra Lucero
- 2:20 7. **RIO GRANDE WATER FUND, A WILDFIRE & WATER SOURCE PROTECTION PROJECT – BRIEFING BY LAURA MCCARTHY, DIRECTOR , NM NATURE CONSERVANCY & BRENT RACHER, PRESIDENT, NM FOREST PRODUCTS ASSN.**
- 2:35 8. **BRIEFING ON THE BOSQUE ECOSYSTEM MONITORING PROGRAM (BEMP) – DR. KIM EICHHORST, BEMP CO-DIRECTOR**
- 2:50 9. **BRIEFING ON SAN ACACIA DAM HABITAT MITIGATION PROJECT – YASMEEN NAJMI, MRGCD PLANNER**
- 3:05 10. **FY-2015 BUDGET – DIRECTOR KELLY**
  - a. Consideration of MRGCD Finance Committee Recommendation for COLA & Budget Amount for Potential Merit Increases
  - b. Consideration of Board Member Budget Requests
- 3:20 11. **REPORT(S) FROM THE CHIEF ENGINEER (Subhas K. Shah)**
  - a. Water Availability Report – David Gensler, MRGCD Hydrologist
  - b. Status Report From Public Information Officer – Tom Thorpe, MRGCD PIO
    1. Approval of MRGCD Mission Statement
  - c. Report – Costs on Repair of Bernalillo Acequia
  - d. Report – Water Trust Board Funding
- 3:30 12. **REPORT(S) FROM THE ATTORNEY (Chief Water Counsel and/or General Counsel)**
  - a. Rio Grande Silvery Minnow Issues – Dr. Charles T. DuMars, Chief Water Counsel
  - b. Update on Los Poblanos – Dr. Charles T. DuMars, Chief Water Counsel
  - c. Update on Office of the State Engineer & MRGCD Cooperation on Illegal Irrigation – Dr. Charles T. DuMars, Chief Water Counsel
- 3:45 13. **REPORT(S) FROM THE BOARD**
  - a. MRGCD Emergency Operations Plan – Director Kelly
  - b. Approve Report of BIA Negotiation Meeting– April 14, 2014 – Chairman Lente, Directors Sichler & Oglesby
  - c. Report – NM First Water Town Hall – April 15-16, 2014 – Directors Dunning & Oglesby
  - d. Report – MRGCD Informational Meeting – Belen – April 16, 2014 – Chairman Lente, Directors Sichler, Abeita & Paiz
  - e. Report – MRGCD Finance Committee Meeting – April 21, 2014 – Director Kelly
  - f. Report – BIA Negotiation Conference Call – April 22, 2014 – Chairman Lente, Directors Sichler & Oglesby
  - g. Report – MRGCD Informational Meeting – Sandoval County – April 22, 2014 – Chairman Lente, Directors Dunning & Oglesby
  - h. Report – MRGCD Informational Meeting – Bernalillo Co. – April 23, 2014 – Directors Abeita, Oglesby & Dunning
  - i. Report – MRGCD Personnel Committee Meeting – April 28, 2014 – Directors Sichler, Oglesby & Paiz
  - j. Report – MRGCD Finance Committee Meeting – April 28, 2014 – Directors Sichler, Kelly & Abeita