



Agenda

For Presentation at the
2,190th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District

August 8, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.

Meeting URL: <https://www.anymeeting.com/495-913-405>
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This meeting will be a hybrid event. **Effective, February 17, 2022, Governor Lujan Grisham has lifted the indoor mask mandate, masks are no longer required at the District.** Members of the public may call in and the Chair will ask individuals on the line to state their name for the record and whether they intend to address the Board under 'Items from the Floor' and up to six minutes will be provided for each person wishing to speak at that time. Otherwise, members of the public may only listen in, and your line will be muted to avoid any disruption.

All items on Agenda are Subject to Action and times shown are approximate and are subject to change.

- 3:00 1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3:01 2. **Approval of the Agenda**
- 3:05 3. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – August 8, 2022
 - b. Consideration/Approval of July 2022 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wiggins
 - c. Consideration/Approval of July 2022 Invoice for Law and Resource Planning Assoc.
 - d. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – July 11, 2022
 - e. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Special Board Meeting – July 21, 2022
 - f. Consideration/Approval of Contract Renewals for MRGCD Legal Counsel and Approval of the Contract for Year Three of a Four-Year Agreement
 - 1. Wiggins, Williams and Wiggins, PC, General Counsel
 - 2. Law and Resource Planning Associates, PC, Chief Water Counsel
 - g. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for July 2022 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:10 4. **Report(s) from the Human Resources Department**
 - a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires – Christine L. Nardi, MBA
 - b. Consideration/Approval of the Personnel Policy – Christine L. Nardi, MBA and Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO and Report from the Personnel Committee Meeting, July 27, 2022 – Vice Chair Dunning and Director Barbara Baca
- 3:20 5. **Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to six (6) minutes)**
- 3:35 6. **Update on the 2022 Irrigation Season**
 - a. Report on the Water Supply Conditions – Anne Marken, Water Ops Division Manager and Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
 - b. Status Report on Water Distribution – Matt Martinez, Water Distribution Division Manager
- 4:05 7. **Report(s) from the Department of the Interior**
 - a. Bureau of Reclamation – Jennifer Faler, Area Manager
 - b. Bureau of Indian Affairs – Sandra Lucero, BIA/SWRO/Water Resources
- 4:10 8. **Report(s) from the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO – Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM**
 - a. Consideration/Approval of the State Investment Council Joint Powers Agreement – Pam Fanelli, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO and Report on the Finance Committee Meeting, August 3, 2022 – Directors Kelly, Dunning and Barbara Baca

- 4:30 9. **Report(s) from the Chief Engineer/CEO – Jason M. Casuga, PE**
- a. Consideration/Approval for Resolution #M-08-08-22-191 Authorizing Application for a WaterSMART: Water & Energy Efficiency Grant (NOF #R23AS00008) Through the US Bureau of Reclamation for the Installation of Multiple Gaging Stations with the Isleta Diversion Service Area – Casey Ish, Water Resources Specialist
 - b. Consideration/Approval of request from City of Belen for execution of an addendum to the MOU executed March 16, 2022– Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO and Lorna Wiggins, General Counsel
 - c. Report on the Water and Natural Resources Committee Meeting, July 25-26, 2022 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO, Chair Russo Baca, Vice Chair Dunning, Directors Kelly, Barbara Baca, and Joaquin Baca
 - d. Report on Corrales Siphon Alternative Analysis – Eric Zamora, COO
 - e. Report on the ISC/MRGCD Low Flow Conveyance Channel Tour – Anne Marken, Water Ops Division Manager and Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
 - f. Report on the MRGCD-Valencia County Coordination Meeting, August 4, 2022 – Eric Zamora, COO
 - g. Notification of the 2022 MRGCD Water Service Charge Reclassification Hearing per NMSA §73-18-8.1; hearing scheduled for September 12, 2022 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
 - h. Upcoming Events
 - a. Third Annual National Latino Farmers & Ranchers Congress, Isleta Resort & Casino, October 27-29, 2022

5:30 10. **Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**

- 5:40 11. **Report(s) from the Board**
- a. Report on the Isleta Reach Stewardship Association Meeting, July 12, 2022 – Chair Russo Baca
 - b. Report on the Valencia County Commission Special Public Hearing, July 14, 2022 – Chair Russo Baca
 - c. Report on the Mid-Region Council of Governments Metropolitan Transportation Board Meeting, July 15, 2022 – Directors Barbara Baca and Joaquin Baca
 - d. Report on the Meeting with Molly Madden regarding Willie Chavez Park, July 15, 2022 – Chair Russo Baca
 - e. Report on the Meeting with Constituent regarding ATV Traffic on Ditch Bank, July 18, 2022 – Chair Russo Baca
 - f. Report on the Legislative Committee Meeting, July 19, 2022 – Chair Russo Baca and Directors Barbara Baca and Joaquin Baca
 - g. Report on the Conservation Advisory Committee Meeting, July 21, 2022 – Chair Russo Baca
 - h. Report on the Quivira Coalition and the NM Coalition to Enhance Working Lands Fellows Roundtable Discussion – Chair Russo Baca

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