



Agenda

For Presentation at the
2,204th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District

October 9, 2023 – 3:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting Link:

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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**
- 3:03 3. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – October 9, 2023
 - b. Consideration/Approval of September 2023 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wiggins
 - c. Consideration/Approval of September 2023 Invoice for Law and Resource Planning Assoc.
 - d. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – September 11, 2023
 - e. Consideration/Approval for Purchasing a 1-ton Pickup Truck – Richard DeLoia, CPO
 - f. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for September 2023 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:05 4. **Recognition of Retiring Members for their Dedicated Service on the MRGCD Board of Directors**
- 3:15 5. **Reorganization of the Board** – Lorna Wiggins, MRGCD General Counsel
- 3:25 6. **2023-24 Board Committee Assignments** – New Chairperson
- 3:40 7. **Updates on the 2023 Irrigation Season**
 - a. Report on the Water Supply Conditions – Anne Marken, Water Ops Division Manager
 - b. Status Report on Water Distribution – Matt Martinez, Water Distribution Division Manager
- 4:00 8. **Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to six (6) minutes)**
- 4:15 9. **Report(s) from the Human Resources Department** – Christine L. Nardi, MBA
 - a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires
- 4:20 10. **Report(s) from the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO – Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM**
 - a. Consideration/Approval for Resolution #BA-10-09-23-92 for Budget Adjustment for the Highway 147 Project
 - b. Consideration/Approval for Resolution #M-10-09-23-203 for the Equipment Loan Application to NMFA
 - c. Consideration/Approval for Resolution #M-10-09-23-202 Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of the Corrales Water Trust Board Grant/Loan
 - d. Consideration/Approval of the First Quarter Financial Statements and Finance committee report – Pam Fanelli, CFO and the Report on the Finance Committee Meeting, October 6, 2023 – Directors Kelly, Dunning and Barbara Baca
- 4:40 11. **Report(s) from the Procurement Officer** – Richard DeLoia, CPO
 - a. Consideration/Approval of the Peralta Pedestrian Bridge Installation
 - b. Consideration/Approval of NM 147 / Isleta Drain Emergency Culvert Replacement
 - c. Consideration/Approval of Feeder No. 3 Pump Station Planning and Conceptual Design
- 4:50 12. **Report(s) from the Chief Operating Officer – Eric Zamora, PE**

- a. MRGCD Division Manager Updates – Derek Jarner, Albuquerque Division Manager
- b. Report on the Homelessness Initiative

5:00 13. **Report(s) from the Chief Engineer/CEO – Jason M. Casuga, PE**

- a. Report on the Centennial Luncheon, September 28, 2023 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO, Chair Russo Baca, Vice Chair Dunning, and Directors Kelly, Joaquin Baca, Duggins and Barbara Baca
- b. Report on the Abiquiu Storage Environmental Compliance Meeting, September 25, 2023 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO and Casey Ish, Conservation Program Supervisor
- c. Report on the Water & Natural Resources NM Legislative Committee Meeting, October 3, 2023 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
- d. Report on the Inaugural Meeting Coalition of Rio Grande Water Users, October 3-5, 2023 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO, Chair Russo Baca, Vice Chair Dunning and Director Sandoval
- e. Report on the Nm Watershed & Dam Owners Coalition Conference, October 4-6, 2023 – Alicia Lopez, Engineering & Mapping Manager
- f. Update on the Six Middle Rio Grande Pueblo Coalition Meeting, October 6, 2023 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
- g. Upcoming Events
 - 1. RGALT 2023 Annual Fundraiser Harvest Dinner, Gutierrez Hubbell House | October 14, 2023
 - 2. Latinos Farmers & Ranchers International El Congreso 2023, Isleta Resort & Casino | October 26-28, 2023
 - 3. Annual Tribal Water Law Conference, Hilton Historic Plaza | November 6-7, 2023
 - 4. 2023 CRWUA Conference, Paris Las Vegas Hotel | December 13-15, 2023

6:00 14. **Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**

6:05 15. **Report(s) from the Board**

- a. Report on the Belen River Park Discussion, September 12, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
- b. Report on the Valencia County Soil and Water Conservation District Desert Willow & Pollinator Festival, September 16, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
- c. Report on the NM Water Law Conference, September 18-19, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca and Directors Joaquin Baca and Sandoval
- d. Report on the Conservation Advisory Committee Meeting, September 21, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
- e. Report on the Corrales Bosque Advisory Commission, Ravenna Seed Head Elimination Project, September 23, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
- f. Report on the NM Ag Water Use Geospatial Database & Funding Opportunities Meeting, September 25, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
- g. Report on the Great NM Chile Taste-Off, October 7, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca

6:20 16. **Executive Session**

- a. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)2
 - 1. Limited Personnel Matters
- b. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)7
 - 1. Threatened or Pending Litigation

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