



# Agenda

For Presentation at the  
2,205th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the  
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District

November 13, 2023 – 3:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting Link:

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- 3:00 1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3:01 2. **Approval of the Agenda**
- 3:03 3. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – November 13, 2023
  - b. Consideration/Approval of October 2023 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wiggins
  - c. Consideration/Approval of October 2023 Invoice for Law and Resource Planning Assoc.
  - d. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Special Board Meeting – October 6, 2023
  - e. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Special Board Meeting – October 9, 2023
  - f. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – October 9, 2023
  - g. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for October 2023 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:08 4. **Wrap Up of the 2023 Irrigation Season**
  - a. Report on the Water Supply Conditions – Anne Marken, Water Ops Division Manager
  - b. Report on Preparation for Off-season Activities and Workplan – Matt Martinez, Water Distribution Division Manager
- 3:25 5. **Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to six (6) minutes)**
- 3:40 6. **Discussion/Approval of MRGCD Board Committees** – Chair Russo Baca
- 3:50 7. **Report(s) from the Human Resources Department** – Christine L. Nardi, MBA
  - a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires
  - b. Report on Management and Development Training
- 4:00 8. **Report(s) from the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO** – Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM
  - a. Consideration/Approval for Resolution M-11-13-23-204 Authorizing Application for a WaterSmart: Drought Resiliency Program Grant (NOF No. R24AS00007) Through the US Bureau of Reclamation for the Construction of the Feeder No. 3 Pump Station in Southern Valencia County – West Side Belen Division
- 4:10 9. **Report(s) from the Department of the Interior**
  - a. Bureau of Reclamation – Jennifer Faler, Area Manager
  - b. Bureau of Reclamation – Robert S. Padilla, Supervisory Civil (Hydraulic) Engineer
    1. Temporary Banks Stabilization Project (Corrales Siphon)
  - c. Bureau of Indian Affairs – Dr. Sarah Delavan, Designated Engineer
- 4:25 10. **Report(s) from the Chief Operating Officer – Eric Zamora, PE**
  - a. MRGCD Division Manager Updates – Tyler Otero, Belen Division Manager
  - b. Discussion/Approval regarding Krupiak Encroachment – Rhett Sanders-Spencer, Right of Way Specialist and Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
  - c. Update on Bureau of Indian Affairs Winter Work O&M

- 4:40 11. **Report(s) from the Chief Engineer/CEO – Jason M. Casuga, PE**
- a. Consideration/Approval of the Atrisco Acequia Madre Master Plan – Danielle Wilson, Sites Southwest and Yasmeen Najmi, Planner
  - b. Report(s) from the Conservation Program – Casey Ish, Conservation Program Supervisor
    - 1. Discussion/Approval of Abiquiu Cultural Study Cost Share
    - 2. Update on the 2024/2025 Environmental Water Leasing Program
  - c. Report on the Engineering Projects – Alicia Lopez, Engineering & Mapping Manager
  - d. Report on the Corrales Council Meeting, October 23, 2023 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
  - e. Report from the Public Information Officer – Amanda Molina
  - f. Report on the Six Middle Rio Grande Pueblo Coalition Meeting, November 3, 2023 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
  - g. Report on Upcoming Events
    - 1. Socorro Farmers – Irrigators Meeting, November 30, 2023
    - 2. Colorado River Water Users Association (CRWUA) Annual Conference, Paris Las Vegas Hotel | December 13-15, 2023
- 5:40 12. **Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**
- 5:45 13. **Report(s) from the Board**
- a. Report on the Rio Grande Agricultural Land Trust (RGALT) Annual Fundraiser Harvest Dinner, October 14, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca and Vice Chair Dunning
  - b. Report on the Conservation Advisory Committee Meeting, October 19, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
  - c. Report on the Meeting with U.S. Congressman Vasquez Field Representative Annie Quintana-Eddins, October 24, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
  - d. Report on the Latinos Farmers & Ranchers International 2023 Congreso, October 26–28, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
  - e. Report on the Irrigation Committee Meeting, November 1, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca and Directors Sandoval and Duggins
  - f. Report on the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Tribal Water Law Conference, November 6–7, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca and Directors Jiron and Sandoval
  - g. Report on the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual NM Water Resources Research Institute’s NM Water Conference, November 8-9, 2023 – Chair Russo Baca
- 6:00 14. **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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