



Agenda

**For Presentation at the
2,216th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District**



October 14, 2024 – 3:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting Link:

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Meeting ID: 276 506 9278 and Passcode: 504470

MRGCD General Office * 1931 Second Street SW * Albuquerque, New Mexico

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

- 2:00 1. **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
 - 2. Threatened or Pending Litigation
- 3:00 2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3:01 3. **Approval of the Agenda**
- 3:03 4. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – October 14, 2024
 - b. Consideration/Approval of September 2024 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wiggins
 - c. Consideration/Approval of September 2024 Invoice for Law and Resource Planning Assoc.
 - d. Consideration/Approval of August 2024 Invoices for Spencer Fane LLP
 - e. Consideration/Approval of September 2024 Invoices for Spencer Fane LLP
 - f. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – September 9, 2024
 - g. Report from the Public Information Officer, Amanda Molina (For Informational Purposes Only)
 - h. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for September 2024 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:10 5. **Consideration/Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with AFSCME – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO**
- 3:25 6. **Consideration/Approval of the Abiquiu Agreement between ABCWUA, BOR & MRGCD – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO**
- 3:35 7. **Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes)**
- 3:45 8. **Consideration/Approval of the Amended Resolution M-07-08-24-210.1 Regarding the Use of Electric-Assisted Bicycles (e-Bikes) and powered Micromobility Devices on MRGCD Lands and Facilities – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO**
- 3:55 9. **Report(s) from the Water Operations and Distribution Divisions**
 - a. Report on Water Supply Conditions – Anne Marken, Water Ops Division Manager
 - b. Status Report on Water Distribution – Matt Martinez, Water Distribution Division Manager
- 4:05 10. **Report(s) from the Department of the Interior**
 - a. Bureau of Reclamation– Jennifer Faler, Area Manager
 - b. Bureau of Indian Affairs – Patrick Taber, Acting Designated Engineer

- 4:15 11. **Report(s) from the Human Resources Department** – Christine L. Nardi, MBA
- a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires
- 4:25 12. **Report(s) from the Chief Procurement Officer** – Richard DeLoia
- a. Consideration/Approval of the following items:
 - 1. Automatic Control Gate Purchases
 - 2. Low Flow Conveyance Channel San Lorenzo Crossing Design
 - 3. Las Cercas Pilot Project
- 4:40 13. **Report(s) from the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO** – Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM
- a. Consideration/Approval of the First Quarter Financial Statements and Finance committee report – Pam Fanelli, CFO and the Report on the Personnel/Finance Committee Meetings, September 24, 2024 – Directors Kelly, Dunning and Russo Baca
- 4:50 14. **Report(s) from the Chief Engineer/CEO** – Jason M. Casuga, PE
- a. Report on the Six Middle Rio Grande Pueblos Coalition Meeting, September 5 & October 10, 2024 – Director Sandoval, Chair Russo Baca, Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
 - b. Report on the Tribal Water Law Conference, September 9-10, 2024 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO, Eric Zamora, COO, Chair Russo Baca and Directors Jiron, Sandoval and Baugh
 - c. Report on the NM Water Law Conference, September 26, 2024 – Director Baugh
 - d. Report on the Coalition of Rio Grande Water Users 2024 Conference, October 1 – 3, 2024 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO, Eric Zamora, COO, Casey Ish, Conservation Program Supervisor, Chair Russo Baca, Vice Chair Dunning and Directors Baugh and Sandoval
 - e. Report on the San Juan-Chama Project Contractor Association Annual Fieldtrip, October 9-11, 2024 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO and Casey Ish, Conservation Program Supervisor
 - f. Information on Upcoming Events
 - 1. National Water Resources Association (NWRA) Annual Conference and Leadership Forum, November 6-8, 2024 – The Clyde Hotel, Albuquerque, NM
 - 2. 25th Annual Congreso de las Acequias, November 15-16, 2024 – Highlands University
 - 3. Valencia County Farmers & Irrigators Informational Meeting, November 21, 2024, TBD
 - 4. Colorado River Water Users Association (CRWUA) 2024 Conference, December 4-6, 2024 – Las Vegas, NV
- 5:15 15. **Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**
- 5:25 16. **Report(s) from the Board**
- a. Report on the Centennial Committee Meeting, September 11, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca, Vice Chair Dunning and Director Baugh
 - b. Report on the Meeting with Explora regarding their USDA Grant, September 13 & 20, 2024 – Director Baugh
 - c. Report on the La Joya Site Visit, September 13, 2024- Chair Russo Baca
 - d. Report on the Conservation Advisory Committee Meeting, September 19, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca

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- e. Report on the Alamos de los Gallegos Acequia Association Meeting, September 21, 2024 – Director Baugh
- f. Report on The VCSWCD Annual Desert Willow & Pollinator Festival, September 21, 2024- Chair Russo Baca
- g. Report on the Vasquez Agriculture Advisory Group Meeting, September 26, 2024- Chair Russo Baca
- h. Report on the NM Water Law Conference, September 26, 2024 – Director Baugh
- i. Report on the NM Chile Festival, October 5, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca
- j. Report on the Legislative Committee Meeting, October 7, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca, Vice Chair Dunning and Director Baugh
- k. Report on the Farmers for Future Farmers Meeting, October 8, 2024, Chair Russo Baca, Director Jiron
- l. Report on the Meeting with City of Albuquerque Parks & Recreation / MRGCD: e-Bikes Paved Multi-Use Trails, October 9, 2024- Chair Russo Baca
- m. Report on the Urban Issues Committee Meeting, October 14, 2024 – Directors Kelly, Dunning and Baugh

6:00 17. **Executive Session (cont.)**

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