



Agenda

**For Presentation at the
2,217th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District**



November 13, 2024 – 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. **Reorganization of the Board** – Lorna M. Wiggins, MRGCD General Counsel
- 3:08 4. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – November 13, 2024
 - b. Consideration/Approval of October 2024 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wiggins
 - c. Consideration/Approval of October 2024 Invoice for Law and Resource Planning Assoc.
 - d. Consideration/Approval of September & October 2024 Invoices for Spencer Fane LLP
 - e. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – October 14, 2024
 - f. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for October 2024 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:13 5. **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
- 3:25 6. **Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes)**
- 3:35 7. **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
- 3:45 8. **Report(s) from the Human Resources Department** – Christine L. Nardi, MBA
 - a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires
 - b. Report on the AI Whisperer for Business Meeting, October 30, 2024
 - c. Discussion of the AI Use in the Workplace Policy
 - d. Consideration/Approval of the 2025 Holiday Schedule
- 4:05 9. **Report(s) from the Chief Procurement Officer** – Richard DeLoia
 - a. Consideration/Approval of Low Flow Conveyance Channel Maintenance Project Bid
- 4:10 10. **Report(s) from the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO** – Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM
 - a. Announcement of the Water Trust Board Feeder No. 3 Project
 - b. Report from the Finance Committee Meeting, November 12, 2024 – Directors Kelly and Dunning
- 4:25 11. **Report(s) from the Chief Operations Officer** – Eric Zamora, PE
 - a. Update on the Off-season Winter Work
 - b. Homeless Initiative Updates

- 4:35 12. **Report(s) from the Chief Engineer/CEO** – Jason M. Casuga, PE
- a. Report on the Action Number SPA-2024-00420; Corrales Acequia WOTUS – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
 - b. Report on the Off-season Capital Infrastructure Projects – Angelina Jimenez, Angel Madera Enriquez, and Matthew Chavez, Engineering Team
 - c. Report on the BIA's Right-of-Way Determination for the Corrales Siphon, October 17, 2024 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
 - d. Report on the Governor of Sandia's Review and Discussion on Irrigation with MRGCD, November 4, 2024 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO and Chair Russo Baca
 - e. Report on the Agricultural Water Conservation Roundtable, October 18, 2024 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO and Chair Russo Baca
 - f. Report on the National Water Resources Association (NWRA) Annual Conference and Leadership Forum, November 6-8, 2024 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO, Eric Zamora, COO, Chair Russo Baca and Vice Chair Dunning
 - g. Announcement of MRGCD Closure to the Public on December 12, 2024 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
 - h. Information on Upcoming Events
 - 1. Latino Farmers & Ranchers Water is Life El Congreso 2024, November 20, 2024
 - 2. Valencia County Farmers & Irrigators Informational Meeting, November 21, 2024, Belen Public Library
 - 3. MRGFCA Annual Breakfast, December 3, 2024 – Albuquerque Country Club
 - 4. Colorado River Water Users Association (CRWUA) 2024 Conference, December 4-6, 2024 – Las Vegas, NV
 - 5. Annual Irrigation Leaders Workshop, January 21-23, 2024 – Chandler, Arizona
- 5:10 13. **Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**
- 5:15 14. **Report(s) from the Board**
- a. Report on the NM Interstate Stream Commission Meeting, October 25, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca
 - b. Report on the Valencia County Soil and Water Conservation District Aldo Leopold Festival, October 26, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca
 - c. Report on the San Antonio Drainage Project, October 28, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca
 - d. Report on the Irrigation Committee Meeting, October 28, 2024 – Directors Duggins, Jiron and Sandoval
 - e. Report on the Semester in the West Tour of Los Chavez Outfall Site, October 29, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca
 - f. Report on the American Indian Law Center, Myka Curtis Interview regarding MRGCD, October 30, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca
 - g. Report on the Centennial Committee Meeting, October 31, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca, Vice Chair Dunning and Director Baugh
 - h. Report on the Pre-NWRA Tour of MRGCD Facilities, November 5, 2024 – Chair Russo Baca
- 6:00 15. **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

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