



Agenda

For Presentation at the
2,229th Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District



November 10, 2025 – 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 2025
 - b. Consideration/Approval of October 2025 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wesenberg, PC
 - c. Consideration/Approval of October 2025 Invoices for Spencer Fane LLP
 - d. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Special Board Meeting – October 10, 2025
 - e. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Special Board Meeting – October 14, 2025
 - f. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – October 14, 2025
 - g. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for October 2025 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:05 4. **Report(s) from the Water Operations**
- a. Report on Water Supply Conditions – Anne Marken, River Operations & Telemetry Manager
 - b. Status Report on Water Distribution – Matt Martinez, Irrigation Distribution Manager
- 3:25 5. **Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes)**
- 3:40 6. **Report(s) from the Department of the Interior**
- a. Bureau of Reclamation – John Irizarry-Nazario, Acting Area Manager
 - b. Bureau of Indian Affairs – Patrick Taber, Acting Designated Engineer
- 4:00 7. **Report(s) from the Director of Lands & Conservation – Casey Ish**
- a. Presentation/Discussion of Cabezon Channel Easement – Casey Ish, Director of Lands & Conservation
 - b. Update on Negotiated Right of Way with Western New Mexico Communications - ReConnect Project for Socorro County - Casey Ish, Director of Lands & Conservation and Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO
 - c. Consideration/Approval of NM Water Resources Research Institute Grant Award for (MRGCD Fiscal Agent) - Casey Ish, Director of Lands & Conservation
 - 1. Red Doc Farms -N-Drip Project
 - 2. 4 Daughters -N-Drip Project
 - d. 2025/2026 Bosque Maintenance Winter Work Plan – Joanna Strange, Bosque Management Coordinator
 - e. Update on 2026 Water Conservation Leasing Program – Amelia Barrow, Water Conservation Specialist
 - f. Update on 2026 Alternate Curtailment Location – Amelia Barrow, Water Conservation Specialist
- 4:40 8. **Report(s) from the Director of Human Resources – Christine L. Nardi, MBA**
- a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires
 - b. Consideration/Approval of the 2026 Holiday Schedule
- 4:50 9. **Report(s) from the Chief Procurement Officer – Richard DeLoia**
- a. Consideration/Approval Feeder 3 Transmission Line Phase 1 Project – AUI & Bohannan Huston

- b. Consideration/Approval Corrales Siphon Construction Administration – Wilson & Company
- c. Consideration/Approval Belen Highline Overflow Structure 2 Project & Construction Administration - Lopez Precision & Bohannon Huston
- d. Consideration/Approval New Belen Outfall Thinning & Treatment Project - Joanna Strange, Bosque Management Coordinator
- e. Consideration/Approval Rocky Mountain Youth Corps Bosque Habitat Restoration and Jetty Jack Mitigation - Joanna Strange, Bosque Management Coordinator
- f. Consideration/Approval San Francisco Outfall Project - Joanna Strange, Bosque Management Coordinator

5:10 10. **Report(s) from the Director of Technical Services – Eric Zamora, PE**

- a. Report on Belen Watershed – Wilson & Company
- b. Report on 2025-2026 Off Season Construction Projects – Angelina Jimenez, Angel Madera, Antoinette Ramos

5:40 11. **Report(s) from the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO – Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM**

- a. Consideration/Approval of Resolution M-11-10-25-229 (budgeted) Participation in Capital Outlay Program Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation Intersection of Alameda Boulevard and Loretta Road
- b. Consideration/Approval of Resolution M-11-10-25-230 (budgeted) Participation in Capital Outlay Program Administered by New Mexico Department of Transportation Traffic Control Devices
- c. Consideration/Approval of Resolution BA-11-10-25-107 Adoption of Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 (07-01-25 to 06-30-26) Grant Fund
- d. Consideration/Approval of Resolution BA-11-10-25-108 Adoption of Amended Budget for Fiscal Year 2026 (07-01-25 to 06-30-26) General Fund

6:00 12. **Report(s) from the Chief Engineer/CEO – Jason M. Casuga, PE**

- a. Discussion/Approval of the Urban Advisory Committee Charter, Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO and Casey Ish, Director of Lands & Conservation
- b. Report on the Family Farm Alliance Annual Conference, October 30-31, 2025, Reno, NV – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO and Director Russo Baca
- c. Information on Upcoming Events:
 - 1. 2025 Annual Congreso de las Acequias, December 5-6, 2025: Las Vegas, NM
 - 2. Colorado River Water Users Association (CRWUA) 2025 Conference, December 16-18, 2025: Las Vegas, NV
 - 3. National Water Resources Association Policy Conference, April 27-29, 2026: Washington, D.C.

6:20 13. **Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**

6:30 14. **Report(s) from the Board**

- a. Report on the NM Water Data Initiative Workshop, Oct 14-15, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- b. Report on Corrales Farmers’ Cooperative Reception, Corrales, NM, October 15, 2025 – Directors Dunning and Lopez
- c. Report on the 13th Annual Tribal Water Law Super Conference, Isleta Casino Albuquerque, NM, October 16-17, 2025 – Directors Jiron, Sandoval and Russo Baca
- d. Report on the CESSOS’ Arenal & Atrisco Acequia Walk and Talk, October 18, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- e. Report on the New Mexico Water Resources Research Institute 70th Annual NM Water Conference, October 21-23, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- f. Report on the Middle Valley Farmers Discussion Group, October 22, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- g. Report on the Community Conversation on Water Working Group, October 25, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- h. Report on the Whitman College Semester in the West tour of Los Chavez Outfall, October 28, 2025 – Director Russo Baca

- i. Report on the Future Scenarios Planning Workshop for Drought and River Drying in the Middle Rio Grande, October 28-29, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- j. Report on the South Valley Regional Association of Acequias Meeting, November 3, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- k. Report on 6-Middle Rio Grande Pueblos Coalition, November 6, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- l. Report on MRGCD's Centennial Employee Appreciation Event & Equipment Rodeo, Socorro, NM, November 7, 2025 – Vice Chair Baugh, Directors Russo Baca, Dunning

6:35 15. **Executive Session**

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