

**Summary Report for  
The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California  
Board Meeting  
January 14, 2025**

**CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

Approved Commendatory Resolution for Director Timothy Smith representing San Diego County Water Authority. **(Agenda Item 6B)**

Approved waiver of Administrative Code to extend the term of Nonofficer members of the Executive Committee through the end of March 2025. **(Agenda Item 6C)**

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION**

Authorized an increase of \$5.55 million to an agreement with Arcadis U.S. Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$7.55 million for final design to rehabilitate the finished water reservoirs at the Henry J. Mills and Joseph Jensen Water Treatment Plants. **(Agenda Item 7-1)**

Authorized the General Manager to enter into a funding agreement for the Disadvantaged Communities Leak Detection and Repair Program with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to implement phase two of the Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program. **(Agenda Item 7-2)**

Authorized: (a) renewal of the Municipal Water Quality Investigations Agreement between the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Contractors, and participating urban State Water Project Contractors; and (b) renewal of the Municipal Water Quality Investigations Program Specific Project Agreement between the State Water Contractors and participating urban State Water Project Contractors. **(Agenda Item 7-3)**

Adopt CEQA determination that the proposed action related to the following program was previously addressed in various CEQA documents and related actions, and authorized the General Manager to enter into an agreement for Reclamation to fund the generation of up to 36,066 AF of conserved Colorado River system water between August 1, 2026, and December 31, 2026. **(Agenda Item 7-4)**

Authorized an increase of \$150,000, to an amount not to exceed \$450,000 for an existing contract with GeoPentech, Inc. for consulting services. **(Agenda Item 7-5)**

Authorized increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP for Darren A. Reese v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California in the amount of \$150,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$900,000. **(Agenda Item 7-6)**

Authorized the General Counsel to increase the amount payable under its agreement with Olson Remcho LLP by \$200,000 to a maximum amount payable of \$600,000. **(Agenda Item 7-7)**

**OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

Adopt a resolution to support a grant application selected to receive United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART: Applied Sciences Program funding for fiscal year 2023 for an amount totaling \$390,000; authorized Metropolitan's non-federal cost share of \$130,000; and authorized the General Manager to enter a contract with the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, subject to General Counsel approval.  
**(Agenda Item 8-1)**

Authorized increase in the maximum amount payable under contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the amount of \$250,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$500,000.  
**(Agenda Item 8-2)**

Authorized an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract for legal services with BDG Law Group, APLC, in the amount of \$250,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$500,000.  
**(Agenda Item 8-3)**

Discussed and conferred with legal counsel in closed session and provided direction to staff and approved staff recommendation provided in closed session. **(Agenda Item 8-5)**

**THIS INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING.**

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