



STANISLAUS REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

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Board Meeting Agenda

JUNE 9, 2016

10:00 a.m.

2nd Floor – Yosemite Conference Room

156 S. Broadway, Turlock CA

Chair
Chris Vierra

Vice Chair
Gary Soiseth

Director
Ken Lane

Director
Amy Bublak

Interim General Manager
Michael Brinton

Board Secretary
Jennifer Land

Interim Legal Counsel
Phaedra A. Norton

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1. **A. CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS:**
 - A. Appointment: Chair
 - B. Appointment: Vice Chair

3. **A. SPECIAL BRIEFINGS: None**
 - B. STAFF UPDATES**
 1. Interim General Manager Updates (*Brinton*)
 2. Finance Director Report (*Jacobs-Hunter*)

C. CONSULTANT UPDATES:

1. West Yost Associates will provide an informational update to the Board regarding progress of the 90-day Quick Start Plan. (*Nakano*)

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

This is the time set aside for members of the public to directly address the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority Board on any item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the SRWA and to address the Board on any item on the agenda, including Consent Calendar items. You will be allowed five (5) minutes for your comments. If you wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda, you may be asked to defer your remarks until the Board addresses the matter.

No action or discussion may be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that the Board may refer the matter to staff or request it be placed on a future agenda.

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Information concerning the consent items listed hereinbelow has been forwarded to each Board member prior to this meeting for study. Unless the Chair, a Board member or member of the audience has questions concerning the Consent Calendar, the items are approved at one time by the Board. The action taken by the Board in approving the consent items is set forth in the explanation of the individual items.

A. *Motion*: Accepting minutes of Regular Meeting of May 12, 2016

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

Challenges in court to any of the items listed below, may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority at, or prior to, the public hearing.

7. SCHEDULED MATTERS: None

8. MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA

The Brown Act generally prohibits any action or discussion of items not on the posted agenda. However, there are three specific situations in which a legislative body can act on an item not on the agenda:

- 1) When a majority decides there is an "emergency situation" (as defined for emergency meetings).
- 2) When two-thirds of the members present (or all members if less than two-thirds are present) determine there is a need for immediate action and the need to take action "came to the attention of the local agency subsequent to the agenda being posted." This exception requires a degree of urgency. Further, an item cannot be considered under this provision if the legislative body or the staff knew about the need to take immediate action before the agenda was posted. A "new" need does not arise because staff forgot to put an item on the agenda or because an applicant missed a deadline.
- 3) When an item appeared on the agenda of, and was continued from, a meeting held not more than five days earlier.

A legitimate immediate need can be acted upon even though not on the posted agenda by following a two-step process. First, make two determinations: (a) that there is an immediate need to take action and (b) that the need arose after the posting of the agenda. The matter is then "placed on the agenda." Second, discuss and act on the added agenda item.

9. BOARD ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

10. BOARD COMMENTS

Board members may provide a brief report on notable topics of interest. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the legislative body.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE: June 23, 2016 – *Regular Meeting*

12. CLOSED SESSION

13. ADJOURNMENT

May 12, 2016
10:00 a.m.
2nd Floor – El Capitan Room
156 S. Broadway, Turlock CA



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Minutes
Regular Meeting
SRWA Board

1. **A. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Vierra called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
PRESENT: Chair Vierra, Vice Chair Soiseth, and Director Bublak
ABSENT: Director Lane
2. **PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & APPOINTMENTS:** None
3. **A. SPECIAL BRIEFINGS:** None

B. STAFF UPDATES:

Interim General Manager Mike Brinton provided information about recent workshops with West Yost Associates, letters sent to the agencies who expressed interest in participation in the project regarding water demand, and identifying the lead agency for environmental work.

TID Assistant General Manager Tou Her clarified that SRWA will be the *lead* agency and TID the *responsible* agency. Interim General Counsel Phaedra Norton noted a letter would be sent to TID clarifying this information.

Finance Director Kellie Jacobs-Hunter reported that we have no outstanding invoices, but are waiting on a few outstanding items from City of Modesto.

C. CONSULTANT UPDATES:

Gerry Nakano from West Yost Associates provided updates from the weekly standing meetings/workshops including information about the SharePoint site, potential phasing and sizing of the plant, water quality and treatment, pipeline alignment, project procurement, and funding strategies. Mr. Nakano also noted positive communication and engagement with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).

Board discussion included inquiries about future workshops including dates, locations, and options for potential participation/attendance by the Board.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

4. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND DISQUALIFICATIONS:** None



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5. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Chair Vierra announced he would be turning the meeting over to Vice Chair Soiseth due to his absence at the April 13, 2016 meeting. Chair Vierra requested his vote under Scheduled Matters Item 7A be changed to “/abstained” in order to indicate his reason for not attending the meeting was due to a potential conflict of interest with the item discussed. Vice Chair Soiseth indicated he was in agreement with Chair Vierra’s request. *(It should be noted the requested change to the April 13, 2016 minutes cannot occur as Chair Vierra was not in attendance at the meeting.)*

Action: Motion by Director Bublak, seconded by Vice Chair Soiseth, to adopt the consent calendar. Motion carried 3/1 by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Soiseth	Chair Vierra
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes

A. *Motion:* Accepting minutes of Special Meeting of April 13, 2016

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

7. SCHEDULED MATTERS:

A. Interim General Manager Mike Brinton presented the staff report on the request to select SRWA Water Supply Project as the official title of the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority (SRWA) project to be used in documents and various activities including, but not limited to, public outreach and education, OR select SRWA Surface Water Supply Project as the official title of the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority (SRWA) project to be used in documents and various activities including, but not limited to, public outreach and education, OR select SRWA Surface Water Project as the official title of the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority (SRWA) project to be used in documents and various activities including, but not limited to, public outreach and education.

Board and staff discussion included reasons for identifying an official title, feedback from West Yost Associates based on the public outreach component, and the importance of selecting a name that highlights various components of the project.

Chair Vierra and Vice Chair Soiseth agreed that Option 2 - “Stanislaus Regional Water Authority Surface Water Supply Project” is the best choice for the title as it accurately reflects the scope of the project, partnerships (current and potential), and goals of the Board.

Vice Chair Soiseth requested that future staff reports be delivered in a more robust manner and contain comprehensive information.





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Action:

Option 2

Resolution No. 2016-003 Selecting SRWA Surface Water Supply Project as the official title of the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority (SRWA) project to be used in documents and various activities including, but not limited to, public outreach and education was introduced by Vice Chair Soiseth, seconded by Director Bublak, and carried 3/1 by the following vote

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Soiseth	Chair Vierra
Absent	Yes	Yes	Yes

- 8. **MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA:** None
- 9. **BOARD ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION:** None
- 10. **BOARD COMMENTS:** None
- 11. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** May 26, 2016 – *Regular Meeting*
- 12. **CLOSED SESSION:** None
- 13. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair Vierra adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



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Jennifer Land
Board Secretary