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DENNIS P. CAFFERTY, Secretary
of the El Toro Water District and
the Board of Directors thereof



AGENDA EL TORO WATER DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**March 27, 2025
7:30 a.m.**

**BOARDROOM, DISTRICT OFFICE
24251 LOS ALISOS BLVD., LAKE FOREST, CA 92630**

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER – President Gaskins

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Director Havens

ROLL CALL (Determination of a Quorum)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the Board at this time or they may reserve this opportunity with regard to an item on the agenda, until said item is discussed by the Board. Comments on other items will be heard at the time set aside for "COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS." The public may identify themselves when called on and limit their comments to three minutes.

ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED

Determine need and take action to agendize items which arose subsequent to the posting of the Agenda. (ROLL CALL VOTE: Adoption of this recommendation requires a two-thirds vote of the Board members present, or, if less than two-thirds of the Board members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present.)

1. **Consider Board Member's Request for Remote Participation (AB 2449)**
2. **Presentation of Awards, Recognitions, Certifications and Introductions**

- a. Service Awards

Mr. Cafferty will recognize and congratulate Rory Harnisch, Engineering Department Senior Engineer for 5 years of service with the District

3. **Consent Calendar**

(All matters under the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Board member or a member of the public requests separate action or discussion on a specific item)

- a. Consider approving the minutes of the February 27, 2025 Board meeting

Recommended Action: The Board will consider approving the above Consent Calendar.

4. **Director Reports for Meetings Attended** (Oral Report)

GENERAL MANAGER ACTION ITEMS

5. **Strategic Plan** (Reference Materials Included)

Staff will review and comment on a proposal received from Means Consulting for Strategic Planning services.

Recommended Action: Staff recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the District's General Manager to enter into a consulting contract with Means Consulting in the amount of \$35,904 for consulting services associated with the development of an updated ETWD Strategic Plan.

6. **California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Board of Directors, Southern Network - Seat B Election** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will comment on the potential nomination of a candidate to the California Special Districts Association Board of Directors, Southern Network, Seat B, and the requirement to submit the nomination by the April 11, 2025 deadline.

Recommended Action: Staff recommend the Board consider nominating a candidate to the California Special Districts Association Board of Directors, Southern Network, Seat B, and direct staff to submit any such nomination to CSDA by the April 11, 2025 deadline.

7. **AB 259 (Rubio) – Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences AB** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on AB 259 (Rubio) – Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences - Sunset Elimination for Modified Brown Act Meeting Procedures.

Recommended Action: Staff recommend the Board of Directors adopt a support position on AB 259 (Rubio) – Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences, the sunset elimination for modified Brown Act meeting procedures and authorize staff to authorize CSDA to submit position letters supporting the bill on behalf of ETWD.

8. **SB 350 (Durazo) – Water Rate Assistance Program** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on SB 350 (Durazo) – Water Rate Assistance Program.

Recommended Action: Staff recommends the Board of Directors adopt an oppose unless amended position on SB 350 (Durazo) – Water Rate Assistance Program and authorize staff to sign onto ACWA's future coalition letters regarding the bill.

9. **SB 454 (McNerney) – State Water Resources Control Board: PFAS Mitigation Program** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on SB 454 (McNerney) – State Water Resources Control Board: PFAS Mitigation Program.

Recommended Action: Staff recommend the Board of Directors adopt a support position on SB 454 (McNerney) – State Water Resources Control Board: PFAS Mitigation Program and authorize staff to sign onto ACWA's coalition letter supporting the bill.

GENERAL MANAGER INFORMATION ITEMS

10. **SB 496 (Hurtado) – Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation: Appeals Advisory Committee: Exemptions** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on SB 496 (Hurtado) – Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation: Appeals Advisory Committee: Exemptions.

11. **AB 514 (Petrie-Norris) – Emergency Water Supplies**
(Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on AB 514 (Petrie-Norris) – Emergency Water Supplies.

12. **General Manager’s Monthly Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the General Manager’s Monthly Report.

13. **Legislative Reports** (Reference Material Included)

Staff and General Counsel will review and comment on the Legislative reports.

14. **Public Education and Outreach Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the Public Education and Outreach report.

15. **Water Use Efficiency Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the Water Use Efficiency Report.

16. **SOCWA Report** (Reference Material Included)

- a. SOCWA Board Meeting – March 6, 2025
- b. SOCWA Engineering Committee Meeting – March 13, 2025
- c. SOCWA Finance Committee Meeting – March 18, 2025

17. **South OC Watershed Management Area** (Reference Material Included)

Report on the March 6, 2025 SOCWMA Executive Committee meeting

18. **Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) Report**
(Reference Material Included)

- a. MWDOC Planning/Operations Meeting – March 3, 2025
- b. MWDOC MET Directors Workshop – March 5, 2025
- c. MWDOC Admin/Finance Meeting – March 12, 2025
- d. MWDOC Board Meeting – March 19, 2025

19. **Local Agency Formation Commission Report** (Reference Material Included)
Report on the March 12, 2025 LAFCO meeting
20. **ISDOC Meetings Report** (Reference Material Included)
Report on the March 4, 2025 ISDOC Executive Committee meeting
21. **WACO Meetings Report** (Reference Material Included)
Report on the March 7, 2025 WACO meeting

COMMITTEE AND GENERAL INFORMATION

22. **Dates to Remember for March/April** (Reference Material Included)
23. **WEROC Mobile EOC Van Presentation**
WEROC Director of Emergency Management, Vicki Osborn and WEROC Specialist Gabby Landeros, will provide an overview of the WEROC Mobile EOC Van.

COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS

ATTORNEY REPORT

REGULAR SESSION REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

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