



THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

1021 E. Miramar Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711
August 17, 2022 – 8:00 AM

The mission of Three Valleys Municipal Water District is to supplement and enhance local water supplies to meet our region’s needs in a reliable and cost-effective manner.

SPECIAL NOTICE OF TELECONFERENCE ACCESSIBILITY

Pursuant to the provisions of Assembly Bill 361, which amended certain provisions of the Brown Act regarding teleconference meetings during periods of statewide emergencies, and as a precaution to our Board of Directors, District staff and general public as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Three Valleys MWD will hold this meeting of its Board of Directors both in-person at the above location and via teleconference. The public may participate in the meeting by physical attendance or by teleconference by clicking on the link below:

https://tvmwd.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WXa9T5ZaTpaLiQ90_I AeTQ
(Dial-in instructions are provided after registering at the link above)

Any member of the public wishing to participate in public comment may do so in any of the following manners: (1) when prompted by the President during the public comment period, (2) by filling out the electronic speaker’s card at the following link <https://arcg.is/0z5GqO> prior to the close of public comment, (3) by sending an email to PublicComment@tvmwd.com prior to the close of public comment, or (4) for those attending the meeting in person, completing a speaker’s card and providing it to the Executive Assistant prior to the close of public comment.

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| 1. CALL TO ORDER | ROBERTO |
| 2. ROLL CALL | AGUIRRE |
| Jody Roberto, President
Brian Bowcock, Vice President
Carlos Goytia, Secretary
Mike Ti, Treasurer
David De Jesus, Director
Bob Kuhn, Director
Danielle Soto, Director | |
| 3. FLAG SALUTE | ROBERTO |
| 4. PUBLIC COMMENT (<i>Government Code Section 54954.3</i>) | ROBERTO |

Opportunity for members of the public to directly address the Board on items of public interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of TVMWD. The public may also address the Board on items being considered on this agenda.

We request that remarks be limited to three minutes or less. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3, if speaker is utilizing a translator, the total allotted time will be doubled.

5. ACTION AGENDA LITCHFIELD
- The following items on the Action Agenda call for discussion and action by the Board. All items are placed on the agenda so that the Board may discuss and take action on the item if the Board is so inclined.
- A. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 22-08-935 RE-AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELCONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ASSEMBLY BILL 361 LITCHFIELD
- The Board will consider adopting Resolution No. 22-08-935 re-authorizing remote teleconference meetings pursuant to AB 361.
- BOARD ACTION REQUIRED 5.A**
- Staff Recommendation: Approve as Presented
6. REPORTS LITCHFIELD
- The Executive Leadership Team will provide brief updates on existing matters under their purview and will be available to responds to any questions thereof.
- A. MWD UPPER FEEDER EMERGENCY REPAIR SHUTDOWN – SEPTEMBER 2022 LITCHFIELD /
- The Board will be briefed on emergency repairs to MWD’s Upper Feeder. LEE
7. DIRECTORS’/GENERAL MANAGER’S ORAL REPORTS ROBERTO
- Directors may report on activities for meetings to which they are assigned to serve as the representative or alternate of TVMWD and on other areas of interest.
8. CLOSED SESSION ROBERTO
- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION ROBERTO
- Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)
 - One potential case
9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS ROBERTO
10. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING ROBERTO
- The Board will adjourn to a regular Board Meeting on September 7, 2022 at 8:00 AM.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Executive Assistant at (909) 621-5568 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.5, materials related to an item on this agenda submitted after distribution of the agenda packet will be posted on the TVMWD website at www.threevalleys.com.

Three Valleys MWD Board meeting packets and agendas are available for review at www.threevalleys.com.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-08-935**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT RE-RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM, DECLARING THAT LOCAL EMERGENCY CONDITIONS PERSIST, AND RE-AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ITS STANDING COMMITTEES FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 20, 2022, TO SEPTEMBER 18, 2022, PURSUANT TO BROWN ACT PROVISIONS**

WHEREAS, the Three Valleys Municipal Water District (the “District”) is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in meetings of its Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, all meetings of the District’s Board of Directors (the “Board”) and its standing committees are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code Sections 54950-54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch those bodies conduct their business; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act, in Government Code Section 54953(e), makes provision for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of Government Code Section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a required condition for application of Government Code Section 54953(e) is that a state of emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to Government Code Section 8625, proclaiming the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the State caused by conditions as described in Government Code Section 8558; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation is made when there is an actual incident, threat of disaster, or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the jurisdictions that are within the District’s boundaries, caused by natural, technological, or human-caused disasters; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19, and such proclamation has not yet been lifted; and

WHEREAS, it is further required under Government Code Section 54953(e) that state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing or that the legislative body meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, the Board previously adopted Resolution No. 22-07-934 on July 20, 2022, finding that the requisite conditions exist for the Board and its standing committees to conduct

remote teleconference meetings without compliance with Government Code Section 54953(b)(3); and

WHEREAS, as a condition of extending the use of the provisions set forth in Government Code Section 54953(e), the Board must reconsider the circumstances of the state of emergency that exists within the District, and the Board has done so; and

WHEREAS, emergency conditions persist within the District, specifically COVID-19 and its Delta variant remain highly contagious and, therefore, a threat to the health, safety, and well-being of the District's employees, directors, vendors, contractors, customers, visitors, and residents; and

WHEREAS, orders from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and regulations from the State of California impose limitations on gatherings and provide guidance on best practices with respect to actions to reduce the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Board does hereby find that a state of emergency continues to exist within the District's service area as a result of the continuing presence of COVID-19, which has caused, and will continue to cause, conditions of imminent risk to attendees of Board meetings, and has resulted in local, State, and federal social distancing orders and related guidance, and which has caused, and will continue to cause, conditions of peril to the safety of persons within the District that are likely to be beyond the control of services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the District, and the Board desires to re-affirm that a local emergency exists and re-affirm the proclamation of state of emergency by the Governor of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, as a consequence of the local emergency persisting, the Board does hereby find that the Board and all standing committees thereof shall continue to conduct their meetings without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54953, as authorized by subdivision (e) of Government Code Section 54953, and that such legislative bodies shall continue to comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of Government Code Section 54953; and

WHEREAS, the District will continue to provide proper notice to the public regarding all Board and standing committee meetings in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(e)(2) and shall continue to provide notice to the public of how they may access any such meeting via call-in number and/or internet link.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Affirmation that Local Emergency Persists. The Board hereby considers the conditions of the state of emergency within the District and proclaims that a local emergency

persists throughout the District as a result of the continuing presence of COVID-19, which continues to cause conditions of imminent risk to attendees of the District’s Board and standing committee meetings, and which have resulted in local, State, and federal social distancing orders and guidance, and that continuing to conduct the District’s Board and standing committee meetings virtually will minimize the possible spread COVID-19 and any variant thereof.

Section 3. Re-Ratification of Governor’s Proclamation of a State of Emergency. The Board hereby re-ratifies the Governor of the State of California’s Proclamation of State of Emergency regarding COVID-19, dated March 4, 2020.

Section 4. Remote Teleconference Meetings. The District’s General Manager, or his or her delegee, and the Board and standing committees of the District are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution, including but not limited to continuing to conduct open and public meetings in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(e) and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

Section 5. Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect on August 20, 2022 and shall be effective until the earlier of (i) September 18, 2022, or (ii) such time as the Board adopts a subsequent resolution in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which the Board and standing committees of the District may continue to teleconference without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54953.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Three Valleys Municipal Water District this 17th day of August 2022, by the following vote:

- AYES:
- NOES:
- ABSENT:
- ABSTAIN:

Jody Roberto
President, Board of Directors


ATTEST:

Carlos Goytia
Secretary, Board of Directors

SEAL:



BOARD OF DIRECTORS STAFF REPORT

To: TVMWD Board of Directors
From: Matthew H. Litchfield, General Manager 
Date: August 17, 2022
Subject: **MWD Upper Feeder Emergency Repair Shutdown**

Funds Budgeted: \$

Fiscal Impact: \$

Staff Recommendation

No Action Necessary – Informational Item Only

Discussion

In April of 2022, MWD operations staff found a leaking Bellows expansion joint on the Upper Feeder pipeline at the Santa Ana River elevated crossing in Riverside. The Upper Feeder is the main distributor of supply of untreated Colorado River water from Lake Matthews to MWD's Weymouth Treatment Plant (Weymouth) in La Verne. The Upper Feeder is a 116-inch diameter pipeline with a design capacity of 750 cubic feet per second at 200 psi internal pressure. Photos of the Upper Feeder as it crosses the Santa Ana River as well as the expansion joint leak can be seen on **Exhibit A**.

Emergency repair of the expansion joint is necessary to avoid a potentially catastrophic failure of the pipeline and will require complete shutdown of the Upper Feeder for up to 2 weeks to complete the expansion joint replacement. As a result, delivery of Colorado River water to Weymouth will be temporarily suspended and the treatment plant will shift to treat 100% State Water Project (SWP) water during that time. The repair is scheduled to take place between September 6th to the 21st.

TVMWD has shifted majority of its water demands from Miramar Treatment Plant to Weymouth since October 2021 due to the drought conditions on the SWP. Two of TVMWD's agencies, City of La Verne and Golden State Water Company – Claremont, can only receive water from SWP/Miramar; these agencies have been in Emergency Water Conservation Program conditions since June 1, 2022, and has limited outdoor watering to one day per week for its customers.

During the Upper Feeder shutdown period any deliveries from Weymouth will be subject to State of California Department of Water Resources' (DWR) strict conditions for the use of the

SWP. As a result, MWD is calling on its member agencies that take deliveries from Weymouth during the shutdown period to suspend outdoor irrigation to save as much SWP water as possible, and continue to provide Human Health and Safety demands for the MWD's SWP dependent areas. Therefore, TVMWD is calling on all its member agencies that take any imported water deliveries from Weymouth during the shutdown period to encourage its customers to suspend outdoor irrigation. This call for outdoor irrigation suspensions while not mandatory, it is critical for the region as a whole to manage the limited water resources currently available. The SWP dependent areas, Golden State Water Company – Claremont and the City of La Verne, will continue with their current one day per week watering restriction, and will not be subject to further restrictions during the shutdown.

Strategic Plan Objective(s)

2.4 – Increase involvement and awareness of all aspects of MWD

3.3 – Be accountable and transparent with major decisions.

Attachment(s)

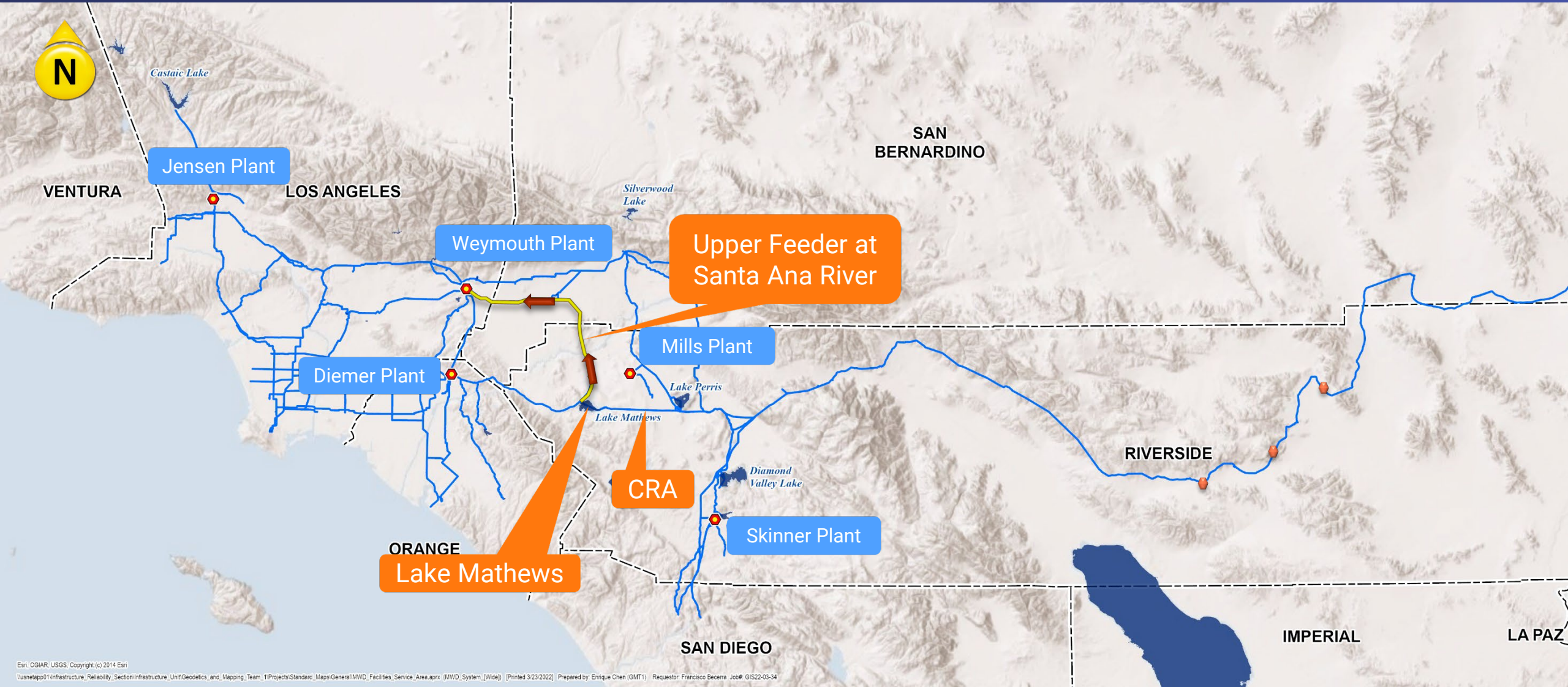
Exhibit A – Upper Feeder Location and Photos

Meeting History

None

NA/ML/SL

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Upper Feeder – Santa Ana River Crossing

Item 6.A - Exhibit A

- Multi-span bridge with steel trusses and concrete piers
- 9'-8" ID steel pipe
- Pipeline design flow: 750 cfs
- Pipeline internal pressure: 200 psi



Bellows Expansion Joint Leak

- Discovered April 13, 2022
- Flow reduced
- Leak temporarily repaired April 21, 2022

Upper Feeder Expansion Joint Replacement



Bellows Joint



Initial Leak



Temporary Repair

