



THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

1021 E. Miramar Ave., Claremont, CA 91711
Wednesday, September 16, 2026 | 8:00 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Ti called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken with a quorum of the Board present.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Mike Ti, President
Carlos Goytia, Vice President
David De Jesus, Director
Bob Kuhn, Director
Jorge Marquez, Director
Jody Roberto, Director
Division III, Vacant

STAFF PRESENT

Steve Kennedy, Legal Counsel
Matthew Litchfield, General Manager
Dominique Aguiar, Operations Manager
Brittany Aguilar, Finance Manager
Nadia Aguirre, Executive Board Secretary
Wade Burroughs, Operator
Erika Gomez, Chief Finance Officer
Freeman Ensign, Operations Manager
Karen Harberson, Sr. Water Quality & Compliance Analyst
Kirk Howie, Chief Administrative Officer
Leo Larios, Operator
Jonathan Larson, Operator
Rich Nelson, Operator
Joshua Olivares-Hernandez, Finance Analyst
Kevin Panzer, Principal Engineer
Brian Pen, Water Resources Analyst
Robert Peng, I.T. Manager
Rich Quintero, Instrument & Electrical Operator
Alivn Ramos, I.T. Analyst
Viviana Robles, Human Resources/Risk Manager
Ryan Sonnenberg, Operator
Marissa Turner, Water Resources Specialist

Virtual Attendees: Yesenia Bugarin, Upper District; Ed Chavez, Upper District; Greg Clumpner, NBS; Myra Malner, Rowland Water District; John Mendoza, resident; Michael

Miller; Toby Moore, Golden State Water Company; Stephanie Moreno, Water Quality Authority; Kristie Sanchez, City of Glendora; 8183971926

In person attendees: John Bellah, Rowland Water District; Abel Casanova, Office of Assemblymember Blanca Rubio; Tom Coleman, Rowland Water District; Chris Digg, City of Pomona; Greg Galindo, Walnut Valley Water District; Kelly Gardner, Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster; Kamille Hemsworth, Office of Assemblymember Michelle Rodriguez; Ed Hilden, Walnut Valley Water District; Pearl Hilden, resident; Tony Lima, Rowland Water District; Sandra Lopez, Office of Senator Susan Rubio; Tom Love, Upper District; Miguel Maciel, Office of Congressman Gil Cisneros; Dusty Moisio, Rowland Water District; Justin Nakano, Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster; James Ning, Walnut Valley Water District; Gabby Palomares, Rowland Water District; Evelyn Reyes, San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District; Manny Rodriguez, Walnut Valley Water District; Jennifer Santana, Upper District; Sherry Shaw, resident; Henry Woo, Walnut Valley Water District

3. FLAG SALUTE

President Ti led the flag salute.

4. DIRECTOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION PURSUANT TO SB 707 - Notification Due to Just Cause

All Directors attended the board meeting in person.

5. AGENDA REORDER/ADDITIONS

No reorder or additions to the agenda were requested.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Ti opened public comment; there was none.

7. SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER KIRK HOWIE UPON HIS RETIREMENT & PRESENTATION OF COMMENDATIONS

General Manager Litchfield recognized Chief Administrative Officer Kirk Howie for nearly 30 years of service and presented Resolution No. 26-09-1033 honoring his retirement. He highlighted Mr. Howie's leadership, legislative advocacy, mentorship, and contributions to the District and the water industry.

Representatives of Congressman Gil Cisneros; Senator Susan Rubio; Assemblymembers Blanca Rubio and Michelle Rodriguez; Rowland Water District; Walnut Valley Water District;

the City of Pomona; San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District; and Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District offered remarks and commendations.

Board members expressed appreciation for Mr. Howie's service, professionalism, and longstanding relationships with the community and legislative offices. Legal Counsel Kennedy recognized his instrumental role in advancing AB 2449. Mr. Howie thanked the Board, staff, family, and agency partners for their support throughout his career. A brief recess followed for photographs.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Board of Directors approved consent calendar items 8.A – 8.M:

8.A – Receive, Approve, and File Board Meeting Minutes

- o June 3, 2026 – Regular Board Meeting
- o June 17, 2026 - Regular Board Meeting
- o June 24, 2026 - Adjourned Regular Board Meeting
- o July 15, 2026 - Special Board Meeting

8.B – Ratify Financial Reports, June & July 2026

8.C – Receive, Approve, and File Financial Reports and Investment Update, August 2026

8.D – Imported Water Sales, August 2026

8.E – Miramar Operations Report, August 2026

8.F – Ratify Director Expense Reports, June & July 2026

8.G – Approval of Director Expense Reports, August 2026

8.H – Approval of Contract Compliance Review Policy Update

8.I – Approval of Resolution No. 26-09-1032 Tax Sharing Exchange County Lighting Maintenance District 1687

8.J – Approve Resolution No. 2026-09-1033 Recognizing Chief Administrative Officer Kirk Howie Upon His Retirement

8.K – Approve Resolution No. 2026-09-1034 Adopting the Final Water Resources Master Plan and Regional Drought Contingency Plan

8.L – Award the Contract for Miramar Pipeline Condition Inspection – Leg 1

8.M – Approval of Salary Schedule Effective July 1, 2026

Moved: Director Roberto Second: Director Marquez

Ayes: De Jesus, Goytia, Kuhn, Marquez, Roberto, Ti

Noes:

Abstain:

Absent:

Motion No. 26-09-5579 Approval of Consent Calendar Items 8.A – 8.M

Motion passed 6-0-0-0

9. ACTION AGENDA

A. COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT FOR GOLDEN MUSSEL MITIGATION

Chief Finance Officer Gomez presented the proposed cost sharing agreement with San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District for Department of Water Resources golden mussel treatment on the Devils Canyon-Azusa Pipeline. Variable chemical costs would be based on actual treatment costs attributable to District deliveries, and fixed costs would be allocated using a three-year rolling average of pipeline deliveries. Preliminary estimates were \$5-\$6 per acre-foot for chemical treatment and approximately \$24,000 annually in fixed costs.

The Board discussed cost allocation, pass-through charges, and liability protections. Ms. Gomez explained that costs associated with deliveries to Covina Valley Water Company would be passed through, while the District would bear costs for its recharge deliveries. Legal Counsel Kennedy clarified that the District would be responsible only for its own actions, including negligence or willful misconduct. The agreement and remaining exhibits, including Exhibit B, would return for consideration upon completion. The item was treated as informational, and no action was taken.

10. REPORTS

A. METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA UPDATE

Director De Jesus reported on MWD's ongoing Colorado River supply discussions, including a reported 440,000 acre-foot reduction for California and unresolved allocation of reductions among agencies. He reported on ongoing litigation, MWD's authorized disclosure of an ethics matter to the FPPC, and Palo Verde Irrigation District election results affecting MWD's fallowing and conservation programs.

B. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Chief Administrative Officer Howie and Government Affairs Manager Rose provided the legislative update as part of the transition of responsibilities. They reported on meetings with legislative offices and an upcoming Sacramento visit with the District's lobbyist and industry associations. Ms. Rose reviewed the close of the legislative session, the Governor's September 30 deadline to act on bills, and anticipated changes in legislative representation following the November election.

Mr. Howie reviewed AB 1894 concerning imported water and invasive mussels and SB 872 concerning subsidence, both awaiting the Governor's action. He reported that SB 1001, concerning emergency access credentials for utility workers, had stalled in committee, and H.R. 2766, concerning special district eligibility for federal grants, remained pending.

A legislative platform is being developed in coordination with MWD, CSDA, and ACWA. Priorities included Delta conveyance, Sites Reservoir and additional water storage, and cultivating legislative advocates for water issues. The platform will return to the Board in the coming months.

C. CONSERVATION PROGRAMMING UPDATE

Water Resources Specialist Turner reported that the District's \$407,000 Member Agency Administered Program allocation for the 2026–2028 cycle was fully allocated to projects, pending MWD's approval. Participating agencies included Rowland Water District, Walnut Valley Water District, the City of Pomona, and the City of Glendora. Turf replacement rebates remain at \$2 per square foot for residential and commercial projects and \$3 per square foot for eligible public agency projects. Ms. Turner announced that the California Data Collaborative would present its water use efficiency dashboard and landscape area measurement analysis at the next Member Agency Conservation Coordinators meeting in October.

D. EDUCATION & OUTREACH UPDATE

The Leadership Breakfast will be held on October 22 at the San Dimas Golf Course, featuring State Water Contractors General Manager Jennifer Pierre speaking on the State Water Project and California's water future. Facility tours were held for Senator Rubio's office, Walnut Valley Water District, the City of Glendora, and a prospective Division III candidate. Upcoming MWD inspection trips include the Colorado River Aqueduct on November 6–8, 2026, and Weymouth and Pure Water Southern California on February 11, 2027.

11. DIRECTORS' / GENERAL MANAGER'S ORAL REPORTS

Director Roberto announced that the Special Districts Association of San Gabriel Valley will host a complimentary reception and mixer on October 1, from 5:30–7:30 p.m., at Le Méridien in Arcadia.

General Manager Litchfield reported that San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District resumed imported water deliveries to the San Gabriel Canyon Spreading Grounds on

September 15, 2026, following a nearly yearlong shutdown. He thanked Kelly Gardner for leading efforts to secure the necessary approvals under Phase 1 of the Golden Mussel Control Plan. Phase 2 would address east-side recharge facilities, including PM-26 and San Dimas Wash.

12. CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened into closed session at 10:07 a.m. to discuss the following items:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]

Name of Case: Chino Basin Municipal Water District v. City of Chino, et al., San Bernardino County Superior Court Case No. RCV RS 51010

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2): One potential case

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2): One potential case

The Board reconvened into open session at 11:59 a.m. Legal Counsel Kennedy stated that no reportable action was taken on any of the closed session items.

Director Marquez departed the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

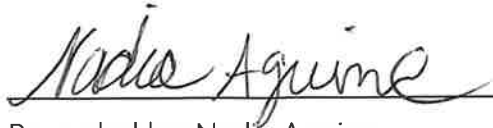
Director Kuhn departed the meeting at 11:19 a.m.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were requested.

14. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

President Ti adjourned the Board of Directors meeting at 12:00 p.m. to a regular Board Meeting on October 7, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nadia Aguirre", positioned above a horizontal line.

Recorded by: Nadia Aguirre
Executive Board Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mike Ti", positioned above a horizontal line.

Mike Ti
President, Board of Directors