

Borrego Springs Watermaster

Regular Board Meeting

May 9, 2024 @ 4:30 p.m.

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AGENDA

Items with supporting documents in the Board Package are denoted with a page number.

I. OPENING PROCEDURES (Chair)

- A. Call to Order and Begin Meeting Recording
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Roll Call
- D. Approval of Agenda

II. PUBLIC CORRESPONDENCE/COMMENT (Chair)

The Board may direct staff to include topics brought forward during Public Correspondence and Comment on a future meeting agenda. No action or discussion is otherwise taken by the Board. Written correspondence received between April 10, 2024 and May 1, 2024.

- A. Correspondence Received (none)
- B. Public Comment

III. CONSENT CALENDAR (Chair)

Action Item: All items may be approved with a single motion

- A. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – April 18, 2024 **Page 3**
- B. Approval of April 2024 Financial Report **Page 8**
- C. Receive and file February 2024 Land IQ Invoices **Page 19**

IV. PRESENTATION ON GROUNDWATER DEPENDENT ECOSYSTEMS PROJECT BY UCI

V. ITEMS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Consideration of Approval of Resolution 24-01 of the Board of Directors of the Borrego Springs Watermaster Providing Administrative Direction in the Accounting of Carryover (ADAMS/MARKMAN) **Page 37**
- B. Consideration of Approval of Revised Policy on the use of “Best Available Science” (ADAMS/MARKMAN) **Page 40**
- C. Draft Water Year 2025 Budget (ADAMS) **Page 49**
- D. Consideration of Approval of a Well Subcontractor for Conversion of Abandoned Wells (MALONE) **Page 63**
- E. Pending DWR Review of Judgment and GMP (ADAMS) **Page 68**
- F. Status Update on the Redetermination of the Sustainable Yield (MALONE) **Page 69**

VI. REPORTS

- A. Legal Counsel Report – *verbal*
- B. Technical Consultant Report – *verbal*
 - a. Status update on the Biological Restoration of Fallow Lands project
- C. Executive Director Reports – *verbal*
 - a. Review of Pumping-to-Date in WY 2024 **Page 95**
 - b. Update on Prop 68 grant reimbursements
 - c. Update on DWR Groundwater Management Plan Review
- D. Chairperson’s Report – *verbal*

VII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR JUNE 13, 2024 BOARD MEETING..... **Page 103**

Recommendation: Develop and approve agenda for June 13, 2024 Regular Board meeting.

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

IX. NEXT MEETINGS OF THE BORREGO SPRINGS WATERMASTER

- A. Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 4:30 pm
- B. Regular Board Meeting – Thursday, July 11, 2024 at 4:30 pm

X. ADJOURNMENT