

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SAN BENITO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
Agenda For  
October 27, 2021  
Regular Meeting – 5:00 p.m.  
30 Mansfield Road – Hollister, California 95023**

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On March 18, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20, which enhances State and Local Governments' ability to respond to COVID-19 Pandemic based on Guidance for Gatherings issued by the California Department of Public Health. The Executive Order specifically allows local legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, in order to protect public health. There will be NO physical location of the meeting for members of the public. Members of the public may participate virtually. Members of the public participating are instructed to be on mute during the proceedings and to speak only when public comment is allowed, after requesting and receiving recognition from the Board President.

**ZOOM LINK**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87533884874?pwd=MHI6M2pqYXNPNHYzcfNOU3p3WFJnQT09>

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**CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- b. Roll Call
- c. Speakers will be limited to 5 minutes to address the Board; rebuttal will be limited to 3 minutes; no new business agenda items will be heard after 8:00 p.m.
- d. Approval of Agenda
- e. Public Input: Members of the Public are Invited to Speak on any Matter not on the Agenda

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

*(Consent items shall be considered as a whole and without discussion unless a particular item is removed from the consent agenda. Board member may discuss individual items or seek information from staff or legal counsel without removing the item from the Consent Agenda. A member of the public should seek recognition by the President if comment is desired. Approval of consent items shall be made by one motion.)*

1. Approval of Minutes for: September 22, 2021 Regular Meeting
2. Allowance of Claims
3. Acknowledgement of Paid Claims prior to the October Board Meeting
4. Acceptance of Quarterly Investment Report, September 30, 2021

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

5. 2020 Agricultural Water Management Plan Update
  - a. Proof of Publication
  - b. Presentation of 2020 Agricultural Water Management Plan Update
  - c. Questions of Directors
  - d. Open Public Hearing
  - e. Close Public Hearing or continue to later date
  - f. Consider Resolution Adopting the San Benito County Water District, United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) Water Management Plan (Plan), also known as Agricultural Water Management Plan
6. Consider Resolution 2021-18 a resolution of the San Benito County Water District Acting as the Groundwater Sustainability Agency for the North San Benito Groundwater Basin, Revising the Protest and Appeal Process for the Groundwater Management Fee
7. Consider Authorizing the District Manager to Execute a Contract with Raftelis Financial Consultants for the Development of a Zone 6 Rate Study for the District Water Years 2022 – 2024 (NTE \$ 119,837)
8. Consider Authorizing the District Manager to Execute a Contract with Todd Groundwater for the Preparation of the North San Benito Basin, Annual Groundwater Sustainability Plan Reports for the Water Years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 (NTE \$465,870)

9. Consider Resolution 2021-19 for the Compensation for the Management/Confidential/Professional Employee Group, Accountant, Assistant Engineer, Associate Engineer, Deputy District Engineer, Finance Manager, Human Resources/Administrative Assistant, Operations and Maintenance Manager, Senior Engineer, Supervising Accountant, Water Conservation Program Manager
  - Oral Summary
10. Consider setting the September, November and December Board Meeting dates for 2022
11. Consider Authorizing Director Attendance at the 2021 ACWA/JPIA's Board of Directors' Meeting on November 29, 2021, Pasadena, California
12. Consider Authorizing the District Manager (or his Designee) and Director Attendance at the 2021 ACWA Fall In-Person/Virtual Conference, Pasadena, California, November 30 – December 2, 2021
13. Consider Resolution Proclaiming and Ratifying March 4, 2020 COVID-19 State of Emergency, and Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for all District Legislative Bodies for the Following 30 Days in Accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act
14. Confirmation of President's name change of Hollister Urban Area Water and Wastewater Master Plan Governance Committee to Urban Area Water and Wastewater Master Plan Governance Committee
15. San Benito County Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA)
  - Update on North San Benito Basin Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)
16. Committee/Agency Representative Reports:
  - a. San Luis Delta Mendota Water Authority (Tonascia/Cattaneo)
  - b. Water Resources Association (Flores/Shelton)
  - c. Hollister Urban Area Water and Wastewater Master Plan Governance Committee (Tobias/Flores)
  - d. Groundwater Sustainability Agency Committee (Williams/Flores)
17. Monthly Operations and Maintenance Report

18. District Manager/Engineer's Report:
- a. Reach 1 Operations
  - b. Zone 3 Operations
  - c. Zone 6 Operations
  - d. San Luis Delta Mendota Authority Activities
  - e. Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project
  - f. City of San Juan Bautista Water Supply Plan

19. **CLOSED SESSION**  
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Existing Litigation Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(a)
- A. Center for Biological Diversity, ET AL v. United States Bureau of Reclamation, ET AL  
(CASE NO.: 1:20-CV-00706-DAD-EPG)

20. Adjournment

Adjournment - Unless there is a special meeting prior to that time, the next regular meeting of the Board will be Wednesday, **November 17, 2021**. Meetings are held at the District office, 30 Mansfield Road, Hollister, California. **LAST DAY TO FILE CLAIMS** against the District is the second Friday of each month, except in November and December. Usually meeting dates change in those months because of holidays. The Board may hold a closed session to discuss personnel matters, litigation or employee negotiations as authorized by the Ralph M. Brown Act, Evidence Code #950-962 or other appropriate State law.

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