MIDDLE RIOGRANDE



For Presentation at the 2,166<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District



August 10, 2020 – 3:00 p.m.

#### COVID-19 Response: This Meeting will be held Telephonically – the District Office is closed to the Public

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All items on Agenda are Subject to Action and times shown are approximate and are subject to change.

- 3:00 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3:01 2. Approval of the Agenda
- 3:05 3. Honoring Sarah Avallone for her 32 years of Service to the MRGCD Mike Hamman, CE/CEO and Karen Dunning, Chair
- 3:15 4. **Discussion on Written Public Comments for Future 'Items from the Floor'** Mike Hamman, CE/CEO

## 3:20 5. Consent Agenda

- a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification August 10, 2020
- b. Consideration/Approval of July 2020 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wiggins
- c. Consideration/Approval of July 2020 Invoice for Law and Resource Planning Associates
- d. Consideration/Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting July 13, 2020
- e. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for July 2020 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:30 6. Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to six (6) minutes)

## 3:40 7. Reports from the Department of the Interior

- a. Bureau of Reclamation Jennifer Faler, Area Manager
- b. Bureau of Indian Affairs Viola Sanchez, Designated Engineer

## 4:05 8. Report(s) from the Chief Engineer – Mike A. Hamman, PE

- a. Update on COVID-19 Response Issues and Limited Office Reopening Schedule Mike Hamman, CE/CEO
- b. Report on Water Supply Conditions and General Water Operations David Gensler, Water Operations Division Manager
- c. Update on Major Projects and Storm Impacts Jason Casuga, COO

- d. Consideration/Approval of Revisions to the Water Distribution Policy David Gensler, Water Operations Manager and Dr. Charles DuMars, Chief Water Counsel
- e. Consideration/Approval for Reprogramming of Endangered Species Habitat Funds to Fund ABCWUA San Juan-Chama Water for River Habitat Support Through a Bureau of Reclamation Contributed Funds Agreement – Mike Hamman, CE/CEO
- f. Notification of the 2020 MRGCD Water Service Charge Reclassification Hearing per NMSA 73-18-8.1; hearing scheduled for September 14, 2020 – Mike Hamman, CE/CEO
- g. Consideration/Approval of Contract Renewals for MRGCD Legal Counsel and Approval of the Contract for Year One of a New Four-Year Agreement – Mike Hamman, CE/CEO
  - 1. Wiggins, Williams and Wiggins, PC, General Counsel
  - 2. Law and Resource Planning Associates, PC, Chief Water Counsel
- Consideration/Approval of Memorandum of Agreement to Fund the Save Our Bosque Task Force to Assist MRGCD with Community projects in Southern Valencia and Socorro Counties – Yasmeen Najmi, MRGCD Planner
- i. Notice of Award of National Resources Conservation Service PL83-566 Grant for Planning and Design of the *Southwestern Valencia County Flood Prevention and Agricultural Water Efficiency Project* – Mike Hamman, CE/CEO
- j. Update on Phase One Title Transfer Progress and Activities Mike Hamman, CE/CEO

#### 5:05 9. **Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**

#### 5:20 10. **Report(s) from the Board**

- a. Report on the Conservation Advisory Meeting, July 16, 2020 Director Moore
- Update on Gate Policy Development Meeting, July 23 and July 30, 2020 Directors Baca, Russo Baca and Vice Chair Baca-
- Meeting with Rep. Miguel Garcia and Community Members Regarding Road Dedication Request Along Isleta Drain and Hooper Road, July 24, 2020 – Director Baca

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