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DIRECTOR'S AB 1234 REPORT

Director Name: Jerry Gladbach

Meeting Attended: NWRA's Federal Affairs Committee Date of Meeting: July 2, 2021 Date of Meeting to be Presented: July 20, 2021 Points of Interest:

It has been a very busy few weeks, lobbying for western water in conjunction with ACWA, AWWA, Western Growers and others.

The House has met its deadline, of July 4, by passing out a bill which contains money for water infrastructure, PFAS, low income assistance and others.

The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee is working on bills, covering water infrastructure, drought resiliency, low income assistance, significant amount for forest health, and \$5b for the Bureau of Reclamation. Several years of effort by NWRA is beginning to really pay off.

WOTUS is being reviewed again, this will be the 3rd Administration that will be defining WOTUS.

The State of Washington has prevented the use of its ports from exporting coal, and the State of Wyoming has sued. NWRA is concerned about any discussions regarding the removal of dams and the associated elimination of hydro projects.

Director name: Gary Martin

Meeting attended: Delta Conveyance Design & Construction Authority (DCA) Board of Directors meeting.

Dates of meeting: June 17, 2021

Location: Virtual

SCV Water Board meeting to be presented at: July 6, 2021

On June 17, 2021, I attended the DCA Board of Directors meeting conducted virtually on the RingCentral platform. The meeting agenda and points of interest are presented below.

1. & 2. Call to Order and Roll Call
3. Closed session to discuss public employment / Executive Director
4. & 5. Pledge of Allegiance and Public Comment
6. Approval of minutes of May 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
7. Consent Calendar (no items on the consent calendar)
8. Discussion Items
 - 8a. June DCA Monthly Report – discussion item only
 - 8b. Adopt DCA FY 21/22 Budget
 - 8c. Adopt Updated Investment Policy
 - 8d. Adopt Updated Ethics Policy and Protest Policy
 - 8e. DCA Board of Directors Meeting Cadence
9. Staff Reports and Announcements
 - 9a. General Counsel's Report
 - 9b. Treasurer's Report
 - 9c. DWR Environmental Manager's Report
 - 9d. Verbal Reports, if Any.
10. Future Agenda Items
11. Adjournment

Points of Interest:

- The Board met in closed session to discuss the Executive Director and voted to remove the "interim" from Graham Bradner's title of Executive Director.
- The Board approved the minutes of the May 20, 2021 Board meeting.
- The Board received a status of the FY 20/21 budget and staff now projects an "underspend of approximately \$2 million from the approved budget of \$27 million.
- The Board adopted the FY 21/22 budget of \$21.5 million. The \$2 million underspend from the FY 20/21 budget will be rolled over into FY 21/22, providing a projected budget of \$23.5 million.
- The Board of Directors adopted the updated investment policy to clarify policy provisions consistent with applicable government code sections, and to provide additional flexibility for short-term investment.
- The Board of Directors adopted the updated Ethics Policy and Protest Policy to assure that the policies were up to date and consistent with the JPA and Bylaws.
- The Board of Directors approved a meeting cadence bi-monthly (meet every other month) starting in August, 2021.

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Meeting Attended:	ACWA Federal Water Series - Panel 1 on infrastructure, climate change and wildfires.
Date of Meeting:	3/17/2021
Board Mtg. Presented:	July 06, 2021
# Attendees & Location:	Undetermined but reported to be at least 60 via remote teleconference
Points of Interest:	Presented by the ACWA Sacramento & DC Staff from their individual remote locations ACWA Senior Administrative and Legislative staff presented an update on a long list of current and proposed legislation to address the above topics, with particular emphasis on CA Wildfires.

Meeting Attended:	ACWA Federal Water Series - Panel 2 Regul. Lndscape, USDW, WOTUS, PFAS etc.
Date of Meeting:	3/24/2021
Board Mtg. Presented:	July 06, 2021
# Attendees & Location:	Undetermined but reported to be at least 60 via remote teleconference
Points of Interest:	Presented by the ACWA Sacramento & DC Staff from their individual remote locations This was an update on a plethora of pending legislation covering the list above plus Copper (Cu), Lead (Pb) and the Endangered Species Act (ESA). A lively and fascinating technical discussion.

Meeting Attended:	ACWA Federal Water Series - Panel 3 on Biden's First 100 Days
Date of Meeting:	3/31/2021
Board Mtg. Presented:	Undetermined but reported to be at least 40 via remote teleconference
# Attendees & Location:	Presented primarily by the ACWA DC Staff
Points of Interest:	A rather difficult to decipher and incoherent summary of the changes the Biden Administration is attempting in their first 100 days in office - plus a look into the future. Most every other ACWA session I have ever attended was of more value.

Meeting Attended:	ACWA Spring Conference
Date of Meeting:	5/12/2021
Board Meeting Presented:	July 06, 2021
# Attendees & Location:	Several hundred ACWA Member Representatives attending remotely. Conference presented primarily by the ACWA Sacramento Staff and Board Leadership
Points of Interest:	A video teleconference format, the various ACWA Awards were distributed along with a plenary session. Day one of technical sessions.

Meeting Attended:	ACWA Spring Conference
Date of Meeting:	5/14/2021
Board Meeting Presented:	July 06, 2021
# Attendees & Location:	Several hundred ACWA Member Representatives attending remotely. Conference presented primarily by the ACWA Sacramento Staff and Board Leadership
Points of Interest:	This day was dedicated to several quite interesting and informative technical sessions covering topics such as drought resiliency, climate change, recycled water and prospective regulatory changes.

Meeting Attended:	SoCal Water Dialogue; The Great Colorado River Drought
Date of Meeting:	5/26/2021
Board Meeting Presented:	July 6, 2021
# Attendees & Location:	~45+ in attendance; presented primarily by individuals selected by MWD and SoCal Water Dialogue Leaders
Points of Interest:	An ominous review and update on the 20-year + drought the Colorado River Basin is experiencing. Competition for SWP Water will no doubt increase as this drought and the one affecting the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins (three years and counting) advance.

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Meeting Attended:	ACWA Water Quality Committee
Date of Meeting:	6/7/2021
Board Mtg. Presented:	July 6, 2021
# Attendees & Location:	Undetermined but reported to be at least 40 - 60 via remote teleconference
Points of Interest:	A very rapid-fire technical discussion of water quality topics the CA Water industry is facing. Some time spent discussing projected costs and how to address these expensive water quality issues in underserved communities.

Meeting Attended:	ACWA Zooming Through California – How Well Managed Water Supplies Went Dry
Date of Meeting:	6/23/2021
Board Mtg. Presented:	July 06, 2021
# Attendees & Location:	Undetermined but reported to be at least 100 via remote teleconference
Points of Interest:	Presented by ACWA Region 1 Leadership and ACWA Sacramento Staff This was an update on the serious and challenging issues facing ACWA's northern CA Region 1; including how the Cannabis Industry has grown (pardon the pun) to the point where it is now responsible for more than 50% of the water used by agriculture in this region. How wildfires have impacted these areas in devastating ways was another focus point.