



**AGENDA:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
**DATE:** Thursday, April 28, 2022  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**LOCATION:** Coachella Valley Water District Board Room  
Steve Robbins Administration Building  
75515 Hovley Lane East  
Palm Desert, CA 92260  
(760) 398-2651

*Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, to reduce the potential risk of COVID spread to our local communities, this meeting will be conducted both in person at the aforementioned location and via Zoom webinar.*

*The meeting can be viewed live at 10:00 a.m. April 28. Please see the meeting login information at [SaltonSea.com/meetings](http://SaltonSea.com/meetings), or access [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us), click “Join Meeting,” and enter Webinar ID 815 8338 6950 and Passcode 737343.*

*Those attending in person will be required to maintain appropriate social distancing: wear a facemask and maintain a six-foot distance between yourself and other individuals.*

**I. CALL TO ORDER**  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
**ROLL CALL**

*A copy of the agenda and supplemental materials will be available for viewing or download at: [saltonsea.com/meetings](http://saltonsea.com/meetings)*

**II. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*This Public Comments time is reserved for comments on any agenda item that is not included under “Action Items” and for comments on matters not already on the agenda.*

*Any member of the public may address the Board relating to any matter within the Authority’s jurisdiction and are invited to speak to any specific **Action Item** listed in the agenda **at the time it is called**; **all other agenda items should be addressed during this general public comment period**. California law prohibits members of the Board from taking action on matters not on the agenda.*

*Remarks shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes.*

*Public comment may be delivered **verbally** during the meeting.*

*Via Zoom: use Zoom’s “raised hand” feature, or by phone press \*9 to be acknowledged.*

***When you speak, state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Please address the board as a whole, through the Chairman.***

*You may also **email your comments in advance to [info@saltonsea.com](mailto:info@saltonsea.com)** (include in your subject line “Public Comment, 4/28/22 SSA board meeting.”) Hand-delivered comments should be placed in an envelope addressed to “Board Secretary, Salton Sea Authority,” delivered to 82995 Highway 111, Suite 200, Indio, California, and left with the attending security officer **by noon Wednesday 4/27/22 at the latest.***

*All written comments should include your name, address (addresses will be redacted), and whether it is for general public comment or a specific agenda item (number and topic). Comments received in writing, either by email or written, will be distributed to the Board, posted on the Salton Sea Authority website for public review and, if received **before noon on Wednesday April 27**, will be acknowledged during public comments. Written comments will not be read aloud into the public record.*

### **III. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

*This is a time set aside for members of the Board to share their thoughts and concerns regarding general Authority matters not on the agenda, ask questions of staff, and request that items be added to an agenda at a later date.*

*The Brown Act expressly prohibits lengthy Board Member discussion of matters not on the agenda. The Board may at its discretion (by 4/5 vote) add items deemed to be an emergency to the agenda in order to engage in public discourse.*

### **IV. ACTION ITEMS**

#### **A. CONSENT CALENDAR – Approve, Receive, and File**

1. AB 361 Remote Meeting Authorization for April 28, 2022
2. Minutes of Salton Sea Authority Board Meeting March 24, 2022
3. Minutes of Salton Sea Authority Special Board Meeting/Site Visit March 11, 2022
4. Warrant Register Ratification for March 2022
5. Internal Financial Report for: 7/01/2021 – 2/28/2022
6. Authority Letter of Support Regarding Imperial County’s Lithium Valley Investment Plan (“LVIP”)

### **V. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

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### **VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- #### **A. Budget Review: Proposed 2022-2023 Budget - Discussion. Staff recommendation:** Direct members to seek approvals from respective agencies for final Authority approval in May.
- #### **B. For discussion and possible action: Letter of Intent re: Provision of Non-Tributary Waters to Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians and the Salton Sea Authority through a Public-Private Partnership. Staff recommendation: Authorize signing of letter of intent or other direction of the board.**

**VII. REPORTS (updated)**

A. Federal

1. Federal Activities – Lisa Moore Lehman, Partner, Cultivating Conservation
2. US Bureau of Reclamation – no report

B. State

1. State Advocacy Report – Oracio Gonzalez, Principal, Ollin Strategies
2. State of California – Mr. Miguel Hernandez, Public Affairs Officer, California Natural Resources Agency
3. Salton Sea State Recreation Area Update on Activities – Steve Quartieri, District Superintendent, California State Parks

C. Local

1. Salton Sea Action Committee (SSAC) – no report

D. Executive Director’s Report and Comments

1. G. Patrick O’Dowd, Executive Director/GM, Salton Sea Authority

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT MEETING TIME & LOCATION:**

The Salton Sea Authority board meeting will be held:

Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Location TBD

*Any public record, relating to an open session agenda item, that is distributed within 72 hours prior to the meeting is available for public inspection in the lobby at the front desk of the County Law Building located at 82995 Highway 111, Indio, CA 92201.*