



AGENDA: BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2023
10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: Coachella Valley Water District
75515 Hovley Lane East
Palm Desert, CA 92260
760-398-2651

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, 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. February 23**. Please see the meeting login information at SaltonSea.com/meetings, or access www.zoom.us, click "Join Meeting," and enter **Webinar ID** 870 0180 6703 and **Passcode** 446431.*

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: saltonseas.com/meetings

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This Public Comments time is reserved for comments on any non-action agenda item and for matters not on the agenda. California law prohibits members of the Board from taking action on matters not on the agenda.

*Any member of the public may address the Board regarding any matter within the Authority's jurisdiction and are invited to speak to any specific **action** item in the agenda at the time it is called. All other agenda items should be addressed during this general public comment period.*

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

When you speak, state your name for the record prior to your comment. Please address your comments to the Chairman.

*If present in person, complete a "request to speak" form and give it to the board secretary. Via Zoom use Zoom's "raised hand" feature, or by phone press *9 to be acknowledged.*

You may email your comments to info@saltonseas.com (include in your subject line "Public Comment, 2/23/23 SSA board meeting") or mail comments to 82995 Highway 111, Suite 200, Indio, California, "Attn: Board Secretary, Salton Sea Authority" or deliver to the attending security officer at the front desk.

*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 (provide 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, February 22**, 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. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A. Introduction to Salinity Webinar, focused on gaining an understanding of the amount and chemistry and fate of the salts entering the Salton Sea - Michael Cohen, Pacific Institute. Webinar scheduled for Thursday, February 23 at 12pm.

V. ITEMS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. CONSENT CALENDAR – Approve, Receive, and File
 - 1. AB 361 Remote Meeting Authorization for February 23, 2023
 - 2. Minutes for Salton Sea Authority Board Meeting January 26, 2023
 - 3. Salton Sea Authority Warrant Register Ratification for January 2023
 - 4. Salton Sea Authority Financial Statement for December 2022

- B. Community Engagement and Outreach – Presentations by California Natural Resources Agency and Community Based Organizations. Discussion of best practices in reaching all stakeholders of the region in anticipation of future efforts, including the US Army Corps of Engineers Feasibility Study.

- C. Continued Discussion regarding Colorado River conservation measures and measuring impacts. – G. Patrick O’Dowd, Executive Director

VI. REPORTS

- A. Federal
 - 1. Federal Activities – Lisa Moore Lehman, Partner, Cultivating Conservation
- 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) – Alan Pace, President
- D. Executive Director’s Report and Comments
1. G. Patrick O’Dowd, Executive Director/GM, Salton Sea Authority

VII. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING TIME & LOCATION:

The Salton Sea Authority board meeting will be held:

Thursday, March 23, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Imperial County BOS Chamber
940 W. Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243
(442) 265-1020

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