

**NOTICE OF HEARING
ON PROPOSED WATER REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT FOR WATER
REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California ("District") will open a public hearing on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at the District Headquarters, 4040 Paramount Blvd., Lakewood, California 90712. The purpose of this hearing is to determine whether and to what extent the estimated cost of (1) purchasing water for groundwater replenishment for the ensuing fiscal year and accomplishing acts reasonably necessary to said replenishment, (2) removing contaminants from groundwater supplies and undertaking other groundwater quality projects, and (3) the District's operating and administrative expenses, shall be paid for by a replenishment assessment upon groundwater producers within the Central and West Coast Groundwater Basins. Said hearing may be continued in whole or in part to a later date. At its meeting on March 5, 2024, the Board of Directors accepted and filed a report entitled "Engineering Survey and Report, 2024" which report is on file at the office of the Water Replenishment District, 4040 Paramount Blvd., Lakewood, California 90712, and also available on the District Website at <https://www.wrd.org/engineering-survey-and-report>. All interested persons are invited to inspect the Engineering Survey and Report at the above addresses, which report was the basis for the referenced action of the Board of Directors on March 5, 2024. All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard at the hearing on April 2, 2024, and any continuance thereof, in support of or opposition to the proposed assessment, the Engineering Survey and Report, and the Board's determination. The Board will also accept written testimony and communications on these subjects.

EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES – If you challenge a District action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Deputy Secretary at or prior to, the public hearing. Any written correspondence delivered to the Deputy Secretary before the District's final action on a matter will become a part of the administrative record.

In accordance with California Water Code Section 60306, a copy of the Resolution of the Board of Directors adopted March 5, 2024 regarding the proposed replenishment assessment is included in this Notice as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ORDERING ACCEPTANCE AND FILING OF THE ENGINEERING SURVEY AND REPORT SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 60300 AND 60301 OF THE WATER CODE, DECLARING THAT FUNDS SHALL BE RAISED FOR THE PURCHASE OF WATER FOR REPLENISHMENT AND FOR GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT AND QUALITY PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS DURING THE ENSUING FISCAL YEAR, THAT SUCH FUNDS SHALL BE RAISED BY A REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT AS PROVIDED IN SAID WATER CODE, DECLARING THAT THE FUNDS TO BE RAISED

BY SAID REPLENISHMENT ASSESSMENT WILL BENEFIT, EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, ALL OF THE PERSONS, REAL PROPERTY AND/OR IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE DISTRICT, AND ORDERING THE PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 60306 OF THE WATER CODE

WHEREAS, there has been submitted to the Secretary of the Board of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (“District”) the engineering survey and report heretofore ordered pursuant to Sections 60300 and 60301 of the California Water Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District (“Board”) has received said report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND DECLARED BY THE BOARD OF THE WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Section 1. That the said engineering survey and report be received and filed in the records of the District;

Section 2. That funds shall be raised to purchase water for replenishment of the groundwater supplies within the District during the next ensuing fiscal year of the District, Fiscal Year 2024-2025, and to accomplish all acts reasonably necessary to said replenishment, including but not limited to the development and operation of capital projects, and that such funds shall be raised by a replenishment assessment, as provided in California Water Code Sections 60300 et seq;

Section 3. That funds shall be raised to remove contaminants from groundwater supplies and to exercise any other power under California Water Code Section 60224, including but not limited to developing and operating capital projects, and that such funds shall be raised by a replenishment assessment as provided by California Water Code Section 60300 et seq;

Section 4. That funds shall be raised to pay for the District’s operating and administrative expenses and such funds shall be raised by a replenishment assessment pursuant to California Water Code Section 60300 et seq;

Section 5. A Public Hearing shall be held in accordance with the California Water Code Section 60043 for the purpose of determining whether and to what extent the estimated cost of the actions described in Sections 2, 3, and 4, above for the ensuing fiscal year shall be paid for by a replenishment assessment;

Section 6. That the funds so raised to accomplish the actions described in Sections 2, 3 and 4, above during the next ensuing fiscal year, 2024-2025, will benefit, directly or indirectly, all of the persons and/or real property and improvements within the District;

Section 7. That the General Manager of the District shall cause to be published on behalf of the Board a notice that a public hearing will be held for the purposes described in Section 5, above. Such notice shall be published once in an adjudicated paper of general circulation in Los Angeles County, at least ten (10) days before said hearing. Such notice shall contain a copy of said Board's resolution, the time and place of said hearing, and an invitation to all interested parties to attend and be heard in support of or in opposition to said proposed assessment, and shall invite inspection of the engineering survey and report upon which the Board acted.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 5th day of March 2024.

/s/ Joy Langford

President

ATTEST:

/s/ Vera Robles DeWitt

Secretary

(SEAL)

I, Joy Langford, President of the Board of Directors of the WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was introduced at a meeting of the Board of Directors of said District, held on the 5th day of March 2024, and was adopted at that meeting by the following vote:

AYES: 3

NOES:

ABSENT: 2

/s/ Joy Langford

President