

**COLORADO RIVER BOARD OF CALIFORNIA**

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December 6, 2004

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
COLORADO RIVER BOARD**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** pursuant to the call of the Chairman, Lloyd W. Allen, by the undersigned, the Executive Director of the Colorado River Board of California, that a special meeting of the Board Members is to be held as follows:

Date: December 15, 2004, Wednesday  
Time: 3:00 p.m.  
Place: Palace Ballroom 1  
Caesars Palace Hotel  
3570 Las Vegas Boulevard, South  
Las Vegas, NV 89195-9040  
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The Colorado River Board of California welcomes any comments from members of the public pertaining to items included on this agenda and related topics. Oral comments can be provided at the beginning of each Board meeting; while written comments may be sent to Mr. Lloyd W. Allen, Chairman, Colorado River Board of California, 770 Fairmont Avenue, Suite 100, Glendale, California, 91203-1035.

An Executive Session may be held in accordance with provisions of Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code and in accordance with Sections 12516 and 12519 of the Water Code to discuss matters concerning interstate claims to the use of Colorado River System waters in judicial proceedings, administrative proceedings, and/or negotiations with representatives from other states or the federal government.

Requests for additional information may be directed to: Gerald R. Zimmerman, Executive Director, Colorado River Board of California, 770 Fairmont Avenue, Suite 100, Glendale, CA 91203-1035, 818-543-4676. A copy of this Notice and Agenda may be found on the Colorado River Board Internet web page at [www.crb.ca.gov](http://www.crb.ca.gov).

A copy of the meeting agenda, showing the matters to be considered and transacted, is attached.

Gerald R. Zimmerman  
Executive Director

attachment: Agenda

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**A G E N D A**

At the discretion of the Board, all items appearing on this agenda, whether or not expressly listed for action, may be deliberated upon and may be subject to action by the Board. Items may not necessarily be taken up in the order shown.

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board (Limited to 5 minutes)**

As required by Government Code, Section 54954.3(a)

**3. Administration**

- a. Minutes of the Meeting Held November 10, 2004  
Consideration and Approval of Minutes (**Action**)
- b. Approval of Year 2005 Colorado River Board Meeting Schedule (**Action**)
- c. Resignation of Assistant Secretary Bennett Raley, effective as of December 3, 2004
- d. Appointment of Mr. Paul Stein as Deputy Director of the California Department of Fish and Game

**4. Agency Managers Meetings**

Report(s) from the Executive Director

**5. Protection of Existing Rights**

- a. Colorado River Water Report(s)  
Report from Board Staff on current reservoir storage, reservoir releases, projected water use, forecast of river flow, scheduled flows to Mexico, and salinity
- b. State and Local Water Reports  
Report(s) from Board members on current water supply and use conditions, including DWR's State Water Project, LADWP's Los Angeles Aqueduct, MWD's aqueduct and reservoir system
- c. Arizona v. California  
Status Report from the California Attorney General's Office
- d. Colorado River Operations  
Report(s) from the Executive Director
  - Reclamation News on Rain in Lower Colorado River Basin Forces Cutback in Releases From Davis and Parker Dams
  - Final 2005 Annual Operating Plan for the Colorado River Reservoir System
  - Status of the Five-Year Review of the Long-Range Operating Criteria, and Board Response
  - Status of Proposed Modification to Decree Accounting in the Yuma Area, and Board Response
  - Reclamation's Letter to MWD and IBWC Regarding the Approval of Revised Diversion Estimate for MWD and Water Deliveries to Mexico for the Rest of Calendar Year 2004

## **Agenda (continued)**

- Central Arizona Project's Letter to Reclamation for Revised Calendar Year 2004 Diversion Estimate
- SNWA's Storage of Unused Apportionment Water in Arizona and California
- MWD/Arizona Water Banking Authority Agreement to Recover Stored Groundwater
- e. Basin States Discussions  
Report(s) from the Executive Director
  - Lower Basin States Representatives' Letter to Secretary of the Interior, Gale Norton, Regarding a Dialog Between the States
  - Lower Basin States Representatives' Letter to Upper Basin States Representatives Regarding scheduling a Meeting on December 17, 2004
  - Congressional Conference Report 108-357 Regarding Reclamation's Construction and Operation of the Yuma Desalting Plant
- f. Colorado River Environmental Activities  
Report(s) from the Board Staff
  - Status of the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program (LCR MSCP)
  - Status of CESA Compliance Package for LCR MSCP
  - IID's Letter to Reclamation Regarding Its Participation in LCR MSCP
  - Department of the Interior's Proposed Modification to Experimental Releases from Glen Canyon Dam and Response to Public Comments
  - Living River's Comments; New York Times, Los Angeles Times, and Department of the Interior's News Release on Experimental Flows in Grand Canyon
  - Living River's Comments on the Draft EIS on Operation of Flaming Gorge Dam
  - Salton Sea Authority's Restoration Update on the Salton Sea
- g. Lower Colorado Water Supply Project  
Report(s) from the Executive Director
  - Status Report on Lower Colorado Water Supply Project

## **6. Water Quality**

Report(s) from the Board Staff and Others

- Notice of Availability of Draft EIS for Remedial Action of the Moab, Utah, Uranium Mill Tailings Site

## **7. Executive Session**

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## **8. Other Business**

- a. Next Board Meeting: Regular Meeting  
January 12, 2005, Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.  
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2200 East Holt Boulevard  
Ontario, CA 91761  
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