



AGENDA: **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**
DATE: **Thursday, September 22, 2016**
10:00 a.m.
LOCATION: **Imperial Irrigation District**
Bill Condit Auditorium
1285 Broadway Avenue
El Centro, CA 92243
(760) 482-9618

I. CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

II. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

This is the time set aside for any Board Member to ask questions or address any issue posed by a member of the public.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

*Any member of the public may address and ask questions of the Board relating to any matter within the Authority's jurisdiction. **This time is reserved for matters not already on the Agenda. Remarks shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes unless additional time is authorized by the Board.***

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR – Receive, Approve, and File

- A. Minutes of June 30, 2016
- B. Warrant Register Ratification for June 2016
- C. Warrant Register Ratification for July-August 2016
- D. Internal Financial Report for: 6/01/2016 – 6/30/2016
- E. Internal Financial Report for: 7/01/2016 – 8/31/2016

V. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Postpone next SSA Board meeting to November 3, 2016
- B. Change location of SSA Board meeting to accommodate local access

VI. REPORTS

- A. General Manager's Report on Activities (Phil Rosentrater)
- B. Legislative Update (Philip Johnson)
- C. Salton Sea Action Committee (SSAC) (Juan DeLara)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING TIME & LOCATION

(Subject to change from Board action during September 22 meeting)

Thursday, October 27, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Coachella Valley Water District
Steve Robbins Administration Building
75515 Hovley Lane East
Palm Desert, CA 92260
(760) 398-2651

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
SALTON SEA AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
June 30, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Salton Sea Authority (“Authority”) Board of Directors (“Board”) was called to order by John J. Benoit, President at 10:00 a.m., June 30, 2016, at the Coachella Valley Water District, Steve Robbins Administration Building, 75515 Hovley Lane East, Palm Desert, CA, 92260 (760) 398-2651

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director James C. Hanks led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

DIRECTORS PRESENT

John J. Benoit, President
Matt Dessert, Secretary
G. Patrick O’Dowd, Treasurer
Marion Ashley, Director
Cástulo R. Estrada, Director
James C. Hanks, Director
Thomas TorteZ, Director

AGENCY

Riverside County
Imperial Irrigation District
Coachella Valley Water District
Riverside County
Coachella Valley Water District
Imperial Irrigation District
Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla

In keeping with the Salton Sea Authority Bylaws, there being at least three of the five member agencies represented, and a single Director carrying the vote of both Directors when the second Director of the same agency is absent, a Quorum was declared, and the meeting proceeded.

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Ryan E. Kelley, Vice President
John Renison, Director
Frank Durgin, Director

AGENCY

Imperial County
Imperial County
Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla

SALTON SEA AUTHORITY STAFF PRESENT

Phil Rosentrater, Executive Director/General Manager
Linda Seroy, Board Secretary/Administrative Assistant
Gloria Sampson, Gloria J. Sampson Accounting Services, Consultant
Esmeralda Soria, Assistant to the Board Secretary
Phil Johnson, Assistant Executive Director
Bob Hargreaves, Best Best & Krieger, Legal Counsel
Bill Brownlie, Tetra Tech, Consultant

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT

AGENCY

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Suzie Earp | CSUSB PPC WRI |
| Dan Cooper | Audubon, CA |
| Juan Murillo | CSUSB WRI |
| Felicia Sirchia | USFWS |
| Juan De Lara | Federated Insurance, SSAC |
| Bryan Williams | Pinnacle Forum |
| Jeff Geraci | CRWQCB R-7 |
| Pat Cooper | Supervisor Benoit |
| Michael Flores | CDFW |
| Tom Sephton | Sephton Water Technology |
| Nikola Lakic | Geothermal World Wide, Inc. |
| Nathan White | Agess, Inc. |
| Trent Hickson | Entrepreneur |
| Fritz Bachli | Citizen of Coachella Valley |
| Ed Schiller | ILC |
| Andrew Jones | Audubon |
| Alex Schriener | Earth Systems |
| Bruce Riley | CNRA |
| Vickie Doyle | IID |
| Melanie Cox | SSAC/RTSS |
| Kurt Shoppe | SA Recycling |

II. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS (None)

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. Nathan White of San Diego, California - Proof of Concept Project/Channel Maintenance
- B. Kerry Morrison of Salton City, California – upcoming events, Salton Sea Outreach
- C. Nikola Lakic of Indio, California - Restoration of the Salton Sea – long-range plan
- D. Alexander Schriener of Bermuda Dunes, California – Recommends sensitivity analysis of planning

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR – Receive, Approve, and File

- A. Minutes of June 2, 2016
- B. Warrant Register Ratification for May 2016
- C. Internal Financial Report for: 7/01/2015 – 05/31/16
- D. SSA Final Fiscal Year Budget Transfer

*Director Ashley moved that the Consent Calendar be approved. **Seconded** by Director Dessert. A roll call vote was taken. **Unanimously carried.***

V. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Outreach: Interagency Cooperation: Kiosk at North Shore Yacht Club
SSA GM/Executive Director Phil Rosentrater introduced the origin and purpose of the kiosk to be placed at the North Shore Yacht Club. Phil Johnson, SSA Assistant Executive Director, demonstrated how the kiosk would look and operate.
- B. Audubon Society (Andrea Jones, Director of Bird Conservation)
Ms. Jones made a presentation highlighting the importance of the Salton Sea to the Pacific Flyway birds, the danger of the rapidly-increasing salinity to the Tilapia – an important food source for the birds, and proposed solutions that the Audubon Society has been working on with other stakeholders that would benefit both habitat and dust mitigation.

VI. REPORTS

- A. General Manager’s Report on Activities

SSA GM/Executive Director Phil Rosentrater’s written report had been distributed to the Board for their review. He highlighted that the Salton Sea Authority is working with diligence and focus on the \$7.5 million the Feds have on the table for projects that would improve water quality, air quality, and assist the transition from fallowed land to a more organic method of farming as well as creating wetlands. The Natural Resource Conservation Service has been engaged, and a cooperative agreement is being negotiated. SSA wants to test projects at the Salton Sea that have been successful at Owens Lake.

- B. Legislative Update

Phil Johnson reviewed key updates in the legislative report with the Directors.

Although it is in keeping with the Board-approved guiding principles on legislation, Mr. Rosentrater asked the Board to ratify whether they want staff to support the new water bond introduced by Assemblyman Garcia (the legislation is a \$3 billion park bond and includes a \$25 million ask for the Salton Sea).

*Director Benoit moved to support the bond. **Seconded** by Director Estrada. A roll call vote was taken. **Unanimously carried.***

C. Standing Report

1. FEDERAL: US Bureau of Reclamation Program Manager for Salton Sea

Val Simon reported that in June she got to accompany the water quality monitoring team out on the Salton Sea and it was beautiful. It gave her a sense of what the general public is missing. She reported that the (state's) Outreach Committee is working on a set of consistent talking points that would be distributed to the media and on the websites. One of those points is that it is not an "accidental" sea – it has always been there in one form or another over the millennia.

2. STATE: Assistant Secretary of Resources for Salton Sea

Bruce Wilcox reported that the \$80.5 million budget was signed. The budget trailer bill (pending) is important because it has a design-build authority in it for DWR which could speed up things at the state level for contracting. They are working on contracts with IID and others to start the design on all these projects. With Audubon, DFW, and USF&W Service involved, we will have a comprehensive habitat plan that addresses the air quality issues

D. Salton Sea Action Committee (SSAC) (no report)

VII. REORGANIZATION OF OFFICERS

Director Benoit and legal counsel Bob Hargreaves discussed a couple of items in the bylaws that look like they need to be updated. Director Benoit commissioned Executive Director Phil Rosentrater and Counsel Bob Hargreaves to review and clean up the bylaws and bring back proposed changes when appropriate in the near future.

A. Election of President of Board

*Director Benoit **nominated** Ryan Kelley for the office of President. **Seconded** by Director Ashley. **Carried unanimously.***

B. Election of Vice-President of Board

*Director Benoit **nominated** Director O'Dowd for the office of Vice President. **Seconded** by Director Dessert. **Carried unanimously.***

C. Election of Secretary of Board

*Director Hanks **nominated** Matt Dessert to remain in the office of Secretary. **Seconded** by Director Ashley. **Carried unanimously.***

D. Election of Treasurer of Board

*Director O'Dowd **nominated** Director Benoit for the office of Treasurer. **Seconded** by Director Estrada. **Carried unanimously***

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Director Benoit adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.

NEXT MEETING TIME & LOCATION:

Thursday, September 22, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Imperial Irrigation District

Bill Condit Auditorium

1285 Broadway Avenue

El Centro, CA 92243

(760) 482-9618

Warrant Register
June 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016



| Warrant Date | Warrant Number | Vendor Name | Amount |
|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 06/01/2016 | EFT | Rabobank Credit Card | 1,500.00 |
| 06/02/2016 | EFT | FedEx | 21.88 |
| 06/10/2016 | EFT | American Express | 3,199.64 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16096 | Best, Best & Krieger | 660.97 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16097 | CalDesal | 5,000.00 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16098 | Davis Farr LLP | 2,225.00 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16099 | OfficeTeam | 2,663.78 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16100 | Sampson, GJ Acct | 7,078.00 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16101 | WESTCAS | 200.00 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16102 | Tetra Tech - 215 | 351,114.91 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16103 | Best, Best & Krieger | 626.40 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16104 | Tetra Tech - 215 | 292,500.00 |
| 06/13/2016 | 16105 | Best, Best & Krieger | 2,453.40 |
| 06/15/2016 | EFT | FedEx | 21.38 |
| 06/21/2016 | EFT | Verizon Wireless | 188.21 |
| 06/23/2016 | 16106 | Alliant Insurance Service | 636.20 |
| 06/23/2016 | 16107 | Johnson, Phillip | 45.00 |
| 06/23/2016 | 16108 | OfficeTeam | 3,739.13 |
| 06/23/2016 | 16109 | RivCo EDA | 11,949.66 |
| 06/23/2016 | 16110 | Rosentrater, Phil | 72.41 |
| 06/23/2016 | 16111 | Southwest Networks | 23.75 |
| 06/23/2016 | EFT | Pitney Bowes | 87.48 |
| 06/30/2016 | EFT | Rabobank Credit Card | 936.19 |
| 06/30/2016 | EFT | Rabobank | 15.00 |
| Total \$ | | | 686,958.39 |

Warrant Register
July 1, 2016 through August 31, 2016



| Warrant Date | Warrant Number | Vendor Name | Amount |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| 07/14/2016 | EFT | American Express | 2,574.19 |
| 07/14/2016 | EFT | Rabobank Credit Card | 511.96 |
| 07/14/2016 | 16112 | Alliant Consulting Inc | 357.50 |
| 07/14/2016 | 16113 | Best, Best & Krieger | 6,158.60 |
| 07/14/2016 | 16114 | Johnson, Phillip | 35.00 |
| 07/14/2016 | 16115 | OfficeTeam | 3,943.00 |
| 07/14/2016 | 16116 | Sampson, GJ Acct | 9,975.10 |
| 07/25/2016 | EFT | Verizon Wireless | 188.29 |
| 07/27/2016 | 16117 | OfficeTeam | 5,027.30 |
| 07/31/2016 | EFT | Rabobank | 15.00 |
| 08/08/2016 | EFT | Rabobank Credit Card | 2,622.85 |
| 08/11/2016 | 16118 | Best, Best & Krieger | 1,418.18 |
| 08/11/2016 | 16119 | Johnson, Phillip | 251.00 |
| 08/11/2016 | 16120 | OfficeTeam | 3,153.45 |
| 08/11/2016 | 16121 | Sampson, GJ Acct | 8,608.00 |
| 08/11/2016 | 16122 | Southwest Networks | 142.50 |
| 08/11/2016 | 16123 | SystemGo IT LLC | 594.00 |
| 08/11/2016 | EFT | American Express | 1,467.20 |
| 08/24/2016 | EFT | Verizon Wireless | 188.29 |
| 08/31/2016 | EFT | Rabobank | 15.00 |
| Total \$ | | | 47,246.41 |

Salton Sea Authority
Balance Sheet by Fund

As of June 30, 2016

Accrual Basis

| | 101 General | 214 Wetlands Grant | 215 Funding Feasibility Review | 702 Fish Clean Up Trust | TOTAL |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Checking/Savings | | | | | |
| 0001010 · Cash - Checking | 157,829.10 | -119,319.68 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 38,509.42 |
| 0001011 · Cash - Money Market | 478,860.47 | 10,712.04 | 0.00 | 20,991.43 | 510,563.94 |
| 0001012 · Cash - RivCo Fund | 15,140.91 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 15,140.91 |
| 0001015 · Cash - Petty Cash | 200.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 200.00 |
| Total Checking/Savings | 652,030.48 | -108,607.64 | 0.00 | 20,991.43 | 564,414.27 |
| Accounts Receivable | | | | | |
| 0001210 · Accounts Receivable | 310,000.00 | 67,670.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 377,670.21 |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 310,000.00 | 67,670.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 377,670.21 |
| Other Current Assets | | | | | |
| 0001211 · Interest Receivable | 18.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 18.65 |
| 0001330 · Travel Advances | 164.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 164.00 |
| Total Other Current Assets | 182.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 182.65 |
| Total Current Assets | 962,213.13 | -40,937.43 | 0.00 | 20,991.43 | 942,267.13 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 962,213.13 | -40,937.43 | 0.00 | 20,991.43 | 942,267.13 |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY | | | | | |
| Liabilities | | | | | |
| Current Liabilities | | | | | |
| Accounts Payable | | | | | |
| 0002010 · Accounts Payable | 42,767.83 | 138,678.59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 181,446.42 |
| Total Accounts Payable | 42,767.83 | 138,678.59 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 181,446.42 |
| Credit Cards | | | | | |
| 0002016 · Credit Card Payable AE | 2,622.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,622.22 |
| Total Credit Cards | 2,622.22 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,622.22 |
| Other Current Liabilities | | | | | |
| 0002070 · Accrued Expenditures | 4,009.24 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4,009.24 |
| 0002820 · Deferred Revenue | 610,000.00 | 67,670.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 677,670.21 |
| Total Other Current Liabilities | 614,009.24 | 67,670.21 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 681,679.45 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 659,399.29 | 206,348.80 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 865,748.09 |
| Total Liabilities | 659,399.29 | 206,348.80 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 865,748.09 |
| Equity | | | | | |
| 0003009 · Fund Balance | 170,121.79 | -128,056.19 | -219,932.28 | 20,991.43 | -156,875.25 |
| Net Income | 132,692.05 | -119,230.04 | 219,932.28 | 0.00 | 233,394.29 |
| Total Equity | 302,813.84 | -247,286.23 | 0.00 | 20,991.43 | 76,519.04 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | 962,213.13 | -40,937.43 | 0.00 | 20,991.43 | 942,267.13 |

Salton Sea Authority
Revenue & Expenditure by Fund
 July 2015 through June 2016

| | 101 General | 214 Wetlands Grant | 215 Funding Feasibility Review | TOTAL |
|--|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense | | | | |
| Income | | | | |
| 0004662 · Local Gov/Member Assessments | 610,000.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 610,000.00 |
| 0004660 · State of California Grants | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,147,425.20 | 1,147,425.20 |
| 0004710 · Pooled Cash Allocated Interest | 784.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 784.34 |
| Total Income | 610,784.34 | 0.00 | 1,147,425.20 | 1,758,209.54 |
| Expense | | | | |
| 1020000 · SSA ADMINISTRATION | | | | |
| 1025010 · Salaries | | | | |
| Salaries - GM | 34,261.04 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 34,261.04 |
| Salaries - RivCo EDA | 68,841.72 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 68,841.72 |
| Salaries - Admin Support A | 36,247.90 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 36,247.90 |
| Total 1025010 · Salaries | 139,350.66 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 139,350.66 |
| 1025500 · Employee Benefits | | | | |
| Employee Benefits - RivCo EDA | 22,074.72 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 22,074.72 |
| Employee Benefits - SSA | 25,375.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 25,375.29 |
| Total 1025500 · Employee Benefits | 47,450.01 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 47,450.01 |
| 1026050 · Contract Svc/Professional | | | | |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Adm Sup B | 9,617.76 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9,617.76 |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Adm Sup C | 39,999.60 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 39,999.60 |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Adm Sup D | 10,940.42 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 10,940.42 |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Audit | 9,225.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9,225.00 |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Finance | 50,398.50 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 50,398.50 |
| Total 1026050 · Contract Svc/Professional | 120,181.28 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 120,181.28 |
| 1026010 · Contract Svc/Attorney | | | | |
| Contract Svcs/Attorney - Genera | 25,729.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 25,729.55 |
| Total 1026010 · Contract Svc/Attorney | 25,729.55 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 25,729.55 |
| 1026090 · Contract Svc/Technical | 3,000.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 3,000.00 |
| 1026095 · Contract Svc/Equipment Maint | 5,496.39 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5,496.39 |
| 1028551 · Capital Equipment <\$5,000 | 9,131.34 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9,131.34 |
| 1026096 · Contract Svc/Equipment Lease | 349.94 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 349.94 |
| 1026120 · Insurance | 9,891.76 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9,891.76 |
| 1027030 · Office Exp/Operating Supplies | 4,288.32 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4,288.32 |
| 1027035 · Office Exp/Online Services | 1,918.77 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,918.77 |
| 1026450 · Postage, Mail | 1,014.23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,014.23 |
| 1026470 · Printing Services | 168.65 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 168.65 |
| 1026439 · Dues, Subscriptions | 8,843.53 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8,843.53 |
| 1026350 · Communications | 6,859.84 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6,859.84 |
| 1026370 · Travel/Meetings | 65,023.85 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 65,023.85 |
| 1026060 · Contract Svcs/WRI,Archive Mgmt | 28,000.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 28,000.00 |
| Total 1020000 · SSA ADMINISTRATION | 476,698.12 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 476,698.12 |

Salton Sea Authority
Revenue & Expenditure by Fund
 July 2015 through June 2016

| | 101 General | 214 Wetlands Grant | 215 Funding Feasibility Review | TOTAL |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| 6020000 · WETLANDS GRANT ADMINISTRATION | | | | |
| 6025010 · Salaries | 1,117.37 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,117.37 |
| 6025500 · Employee Benefits | 276.80 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 276.80 |
| 6026010 · Contract Svcs/Attorney | 0.00 | 809.60 | 0.00 | 809.60 |
| 6026013 · Contract Svcs/Accountant | 0.00 | 7,785.00 | 0.00 | 7,785.00 |
| Total 6020000 · WETLANDS GRANT ADMINISTRATION | 1,394.17 | 8,594.60 | 0.00 | 9,988.77 |
| 6040000 · WETLANDS GRANT TECHNICAL | | | | |
| 6046070 · Contract Svcs/LCP | 0.00 | 2,948.75 | 0.00 | 2,948.75 |
| 6046020 · Contract Svcs/AMEC - update | 0.00 | 18,845.03 | 0.00 | 18,845.03 |
| 6046025 · Contract Svcs - AMEC/NSYC | 0.00 | 3,412.50 | 0.00 | 3,412.50 |
| 6046040 · Contract Svcs/Design | 0.00 | 85,429.16 | 0.00 | 85,429.16 |
| Total 6040000 · WETLANDS GRANT TECHNICAL | 0.00 | 110,635.44 | 0.00 | 110,635.44 |
| 6050000 · FUNDING/FEASIBILITY ADMIN | | | | |
| 6055010 · Salaries | | | | |
| Salaries - Admin Support 215 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7,736.75 | 7,736.75 |
| Salaries - GM 215 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 64,032.25 | 64,032.25 |
| Total 6055010 · Salaries | 0.00 | 0.00 | 71,769.00 | 71,769.00 |
| 6055500 · Employee Benefits | 0.00 | 0.00 | 16,303.58 | 16,303.58 |
| 6056010 · Contract Svcs/Attorney | 0.00 | 0.00 | 22,106.70 | 22,106.70 |
| 6056011 · Contract Svcs/J Schlange | 0.00 | 0.00 | 962.50 | 962.50 |
| 6056013 · Contract Svcs/Accountant | 0.00 | 0.00 | 13,005.00 | 13,005.00 |
| Total 6050000 · FUNDING/FEASIBILITY ADMIN | 0.00 | 0.00 | 124,146.78 | 124,146.78 |
| 6060000 · FUNDING/FEASIBILITY TECHNICAL | | | | |
| 6066016 · Contract Svcs/TetraTech \$1.7 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 803,346.14 | 803,346.14 |
| Total 6060000 · FUNDING/FEASIBILITY TECHNICAL | 0.00 | 0.00 | 803,346.14 | 803,346.14 |
| Total Expense | 478,092.29 | 119,230.04 | 927,492.92 | 1,524,815.25 |
| Net Ordinary Income | 132,692.05 | -119,230.04 | 219,932.28 | 233,394.29 |
| Other Income/Expense | | | | |
| Other Expense | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Net Other Income | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Net Income | 132,692.05 | -119,230.04 | 219,932.28 | 233,394.29 |

Salton Sea Authority
Balance Sheet by Fund
As of August 31, 2016

| | 101 General | 214 Wetlands Grant | 702 Fish Clean Up Trust | TOTAL |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Current Assets | | | | |
| Checking/Savings | | | | |
| 0001010 · Cash - Checking | 110,940.19 | -54,603.98 | 0.00 | 56,336.21 |
| 0001011 · Cash - Money Market | 639,057.58 | 0.00 | 20,991.43 | 660,049.01 |
| 0001012 · Cash - RivCo Fund | 2,242.27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,242.27 |
| 0001015 · Cash - Petty Cash | 200.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 200.00 |
| Total Checking/Savings | 752,440.04 | -54,603.98 | 20,991.43 | 718,827.49 |
| Accounts Receivable | | | | |
| 0001210 · Accounts Receivable | 150,000.00 | 228,089.92 | 0.00 | 378,089.92 |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 150,000.00 | 228,089.92 | 0.00 | 378,089.92 |
| Other Current Assets | | | | |
| 0001330 · Travel Advances | 164.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 164.00 |
| Total Other Current Assets | 164.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 164.00 |
| Total Current Assets | 902,604.04 | 173,485.94 | 20,991.43 | 1,097,081.41 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 902,604.04 | 173,485.94 | 20,991.43 | 1,097,081.41 |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY | | | | |
| Liabilities | | | | |
| Current Liabilities | | | | |
| Accounts Payable | | | | |
| 0002010 · Accounts Payable | 42,653.18 | 146,838.15 | 0.00 | 189,491.33 |
| Total Accounts Payable | 42,653.18 | 146,838.15 | 0.00 | 189,491.33 |
| Credit Cards | | | | |
| 0002015 · Credit Card Payable | 2,621.29 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,621.29 |
| 0002016 · Credit Card Payable AE | 2,641.49 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2,641.49 |
| Total Credit Cards | 5,262.78 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5,262.78 |
| Other Current Liabilities | | | | |
| 0002820 · Deferred Revenue | 0.00 | 13,309.05 | 0.00 | 13,309.05 |
| Total Other Current Liabilities | 0.00 | 13,309.05 | 0.00 | 13,309.05 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 47,915.96 | 160,147.20 | 0.00 | 208,063.16 |
| Total Liabilities | 47,915.96 | 160,147.20 | 0.00 | 208,063.16 |
| Equity | | | | |
| 0003009 · Fund Balance | 302,813.84 | -247,286.23 | 20,991.43 | 76,519.04 |
| Net Income | 551,874.24 | 260,624.97 | 0.00 | 812,499.21 |
| Total Equity | 854,688.08 | 13,338.74 | 20,991.43 | 889,018.25 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | 902,604.04 | 173,485.94 | 20,991.43 | 1,097,081.41 |

Salton Sea Authority
Revenue & Expenditure by Fund
 July through August 2016

| | 101 General | 214 Wetlands Grant | TOTAL |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Ordinary Income/Expense | | | |
| Income | | | |
| 0004662 · Local Gov/Member Assessments | 610,000.00 | 0.00 | 610,000.00 |
| 0004660 · State of California Grants | 0.00 | 269,142.03 | 269,142.03 |
| 0004710 · Pooled Cash Allocated Interest | 178.46 | 0.00 | 178.46 |
| Total Income | 610,178.46 | 269,142.03 | 879,320.49 |
| Expense | | | |
| 1020000 · SSA ADMINISTRATION | | | |
| 1025010 · Salaries | | | |
| Salaries - RivCo EDA | 2,207.04 | 0.00 | 2,207.04 |
| Salaries - Admin Support A | 5,525.54 | 0.00 | 5,525.54 |
| Total 1025010 · Salaries | 7,732.58 | 0.00 | 7,732.58 |
| 1025500 · Employee Benefits | | | |
| Employee Benefits - RivCo EDA | 788.36 | 0.00 | 788.36 |
| Employee Benefits - SSA | 2,726.12 | 0.00 | 2,726.12 |
| Total 1025500 · Employee Benefits | 3,514.48 | 0.00 | 3,514.48 |
| 1026050 · Contract Svc/Professional | | | |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Adm Sup C | 6,660.00 | 0.00 | 6,660.00 |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Adm Sup D | 5,305.10 | 0.00 | 5,305.10 |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Exec Sup | 11,680.00 | 0.00 | 11,680.00 |
| Contract Svc/Prof - Finance | 10,061.00 | 0.00 | 10,061.00 |
| Total 1026050 · Contract Svc/Professional | 33,706.10 | 0.00 | 33,706.10 |
| 1026010 · Contract Svc/Attorney | 1,418.18 | 0.00 | 1,418.18 |
| 1026095 · Contract Svc/Equipment Maint | 594.00 | 0.00 | 594.00 |
| 1027030 · Office Exp/Operating Supplies | 895.97 | 0.00 | 895.97 |
| 1027035 · Office Exp/Online Services | 80.00 | 0.00 | 80.00 |
| 1026439 · Dues, Subscriptions | 185.00 | 0.00 | 185.00 |
| 1026350 · Communications | 744.32 | 0.00 | 744.32 |
| 1026370 · Travel/Meetings | 8,645.46 | 0.00 | 8,645.46 |
| Total 1020000 · SSA ADMINISTRATION | 57,516.09 | 0.00 | 57,516.09 |
| 6040000 · WETLANDS GRANT TECHNICAL | | | |
| 6046070 · Contract Svcs/LCP | 0.00 | 178.75 | 178.75 |
| 6046020 · Contract Svcs/AMEC - update | 0.00 | 3,151.00 | 3,151.00 |
| 6046025 · Contract Svcs - AMEC/NSYC | 0.00 | 3,949.71 | 3,949.71 |
| 6046040 · Contract Svcs/Design | 0.00 | 1,237.60 | 1,237.60 |
| Total 6040000 · WETLANDS GRANT TECHNICAL | 0.00 | 8,517.06 | 8,517.06 |
| 6050000 · FUNDING/FEASIBILITY ADMIN | | | |
| 6058551 · Capital Equip < \$5,000 | 788.13 | 0.00 | 788.13 |
| Total 6050000 · FUNDING/FEASIBILITY ADMIN | 788.13 | 0.00 | 788.13 |
| Total Expense | 58,304.22 | 8,517.06 | 66,821.28 |
| Net Ordinary Income | 551,874.24 | 260,624.97 | 812,499.21 |
| Net Income | 551,874.24 | 260,624.97 | 812,499.21 |

Memorandum

To: Salton Sea Authority Board of Directors
From: Phil Rosentrater, General Manager
Date: September 22, 2016
Re: Postpone Next SSA Board Meeting to November 3, 2016
CM No. V.A. – 09/22/16

GENERAL:

The Salton Sea Authority and its partner agencies are committed to developing new economic resources that can be integrated as part of the financial means to restore and maintain a smaller, sustainable Salton Sea.

Geothermal power is among the economic resources identified as potentially benefiting the restoration effort. President Obama publicly recognized this potential as well as the need to help restore the Sea, and the White House pledged additional support to explore the expansion and delivery of this resource to market.

Two high profile Geothermal events will be held at same time as the October 27, 2016 SSA board meeting, creating a schedule conflict for SSA staff and Board members.

SSA staff has queried schedule alternatives from public agendas and other sources among the SSA member agencies and determined that it would be feasible to move the Oct 27 meeting at CVWD headquarters to the same location on November 3, should the SSA Board choose to do so.

SSA by-laws require a vote of the board to alter the Board meeting schedule.

RECOMMENDATION:

Postpone the next meeting of the Board of Directors for Salton Sea Authority from October 27, 2016 to November 3, 2016 at same location (CVWD Board Room, Hovely Lane, Palm Desert).

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Rosentrater
GM / Executive Director

Memorandum

To: Salton Sea Authority Board of Directors
From: Phil Rosentrater, General Manager
Date: September 22, 2016
Re: Change Location of SSA Board Meeting to Accommodate Local Access
CM No. V.B. – 09/22/16

GENERAL:

The Salton Sea Authority and its partner agencies endeavor to conduct the public business of this joint powers authority in an open, transparent manner allowing full public access.

In furtherance of this approach to include the public, SSA Board Chairman Ryan Kelley is requesting board consideration of a change in venue from the current schedule of rotation between Palm Desert and El Centro.

Specifically, the Chairman requests board consideration and approval of exchanging one El Centro meeting for a meeting in Salton City and one Palm Desert meeting to be moved to North Shore.

If approved by the SSA Board, staff will then work to find best accommodation on schedule and location, and bring the revised board calendar back to the board for approval at its next regular meeting.

SSA by-laws require a vote of the board to alter the Board meeting schedule.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a change in venue for the meeting of the Board of Directors for Salton Sea Authority from one meeting in El Centro to move to a location and date to be determined in Salton City, and one meeting in Palm Desert to move to a location and date to be determined in North Shore.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Rosentrater
GM / Executive Director

Staff Report

To: Salton Sea Authority Board of Directors
From: Phil Johnson, Assistant Executive Director, SSA
Date: September 22, 2016
Re: **Legislative Update**
CM No. **VI.B – 9/22/16**

Staff members from agencies of the Salton Sea Authority are coordinating a unified response to threats and opportunities in the legislative arena at both the state and federal levels.

SSA and its member agencies jointly engaged in the following activities to drive legislative and policy initiatives supported by the Salton Sea Authority Board of Directors:

Assembly Bill Summaries

AB 2896 (Garcia) - Water quality: funding for planning, environmental, and design documents: Salton Sea.

SSA Position: Staff recommends Support

Status: Introduced on March 1st, 2016. Re-referred to Com. on RLS. pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10(c).

AB 2896 would appropriate much needed funding in the form of grants to be used in the development of planning environmental and design documents on projects that would positively impact the public health and safety risks from drainage of wastewater and runoff into tributaries of the Salton Sea.

The recommendation of staff is that the SSA supports this bill as it aligns with the SSA platform.

AB 2444 (Garcia) - California Parks, Water, Climate, and Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access for All Act of 2016.

SSA Position: Support

Status: Referred to APPR. Suspense file on August 1st, 2016. From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended on August 15th, 2016. Read second time, ordered to third reading on, and re-referred to Com. on RLS on August 22nd, 2016.

AB 2444 would authorize the issuance of \$3.497 billion in State General Obligation bonds to finance parks, water, climate adaptation, coastal protection, and outdoor access programs. This bond would be placed on the June 5th, 2018 statewide primary direct election.

The main funding categories for the bond are as follows: 1) safe neighborhood parks in park-poor communities; 2) local and regional parks; 3) state parks, with a focus on deferred maintenance in existing parks; 4) trails and waterfront access; 5) rural community recreational needs; 6) river parkways; 7) state conservancies and regions not covered by conservancies; and 8) habitat needs, including wildlife corridors, climate change adaptation, and healthy soils and forests.

Of note for the SSA this bond would specifically grant \$37.5 million to the Salton Sea Authority. Of this amount, not less than \$10 million shall be available for purposes consistent with the New River Water Quality, Public Health, and River Parkway Development Program. This funding along with the possibility of other pockets of funding from the bond provides the basis for the SSA Board of Directors to support AB 2444.

AB 1755 (Dodd) - The Open and Transparent Water Data Act

SSA Position: Watch

Status: Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 12 p.m. on Sept 2, 2016.

AB 1755 would enact the Open and Transparent Water Data Act. The act would require the Department of Water Resources in consultation with the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, the state board, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, in accordance with a specified schedule to create and manage a statewide water information system, and an online water transfer information to report on water transactions.

This act would also require DWR, the state board, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife to develop protocols for data sharing, documentation, quality control, public

access, and promotion of open source platforms related to water data. The act would also require that a recipient of state funds for research or a project relating to the improvement of water data shall adhere to those protocols or be ineligible for state funding.

Lastly, the act would create the Water Data Administration Fund. The act would then specify that moneys in the fund would be available, upon appropriation, to DWR for the improvement of water data and the act itself.

The Salton Sea Authority will continue to follow whether or not the governor signs this bill into law.

SB 839 - Public Resources
SSA Position: Support

Status: Introduced on Jan. 7th, 2016. Enrolled and presented to the Governor at 5 p.m. on Sept 1st, 2016. Approved by the Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 340, Statutes of 2016 on Sept. 13th, 2016.

SB 839 would authorize the Department of Water Resources to use design-build procurement for projects at the Salton Sea. Design build authorization means that the Department of Water Resources would be able to utilize a single contractor who would then themselves contract with the designer and builder at the beginning of the process.

This will save valuable time having the builder involved in the designing of the projects as well as not having to go through the process of finding a builder once the design process is done. Design build authorization would prove an invaluable tool in a situation where every second is critical to averting an ecological and human health disaster, and thus the Salton Sea Authority supports this bill.

SB 1416 (Stone) - Voluntary contribution: Revive the Salton Sea Fund

SSA Position: Support

Status: Approved by the Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 219, Statutes of 2016 on August 26th, 2016.

SB 1416 would create a Revive the Salton Sea Fund allowing voluntary designation of personal income tax refunds to be deposited in the Revive the Salton Sea Fund. This bill would prohibit a voluntary contribution designation for the Revive the Salton Sea Fund from being added on the tax return until another voluntary contribution designation is removed or a space is available. Contributions will be allocated to the Natural

Resources Agency for distributions of competitive grants to provide funds or supplement funding of the state, county and local agencies, nonprofit, and projects identified as necessary for the restoration and maintenance of the Salton Sea and to develop a mechanism to provide ongoing public awareness, as specified.

The contributions to the fund shall be used for the following items. (1) Programs to create statewide public awareness and grassroots support for the restoration of the Salton Sea. (2) Programs to engage the public through promotion and education about the Salton Sea. (3) Current and future projects identified as necessary for restoration and maintenance of the Salton Sea, including projects identified by the Salton Sea Authority.

Federal Bill Summaries

H.R. 2663 (Gosar) - Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act of 2015

SSA Position: Support

Status: Introduced to House on June 4th, 2015. Currently in the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources as of July 13th, 2016.

The importance of H.R. 2663 to the Salton Sea Authority is that the bill contains the same revenue sharing provision that S.1407 (Heller) and S. 2568 (Feinstein) have.

This revenue sharing provision could generate funding from renewable energy royalties that would offset impacts to counties that host renewable energy projects located on federal land.

Specifically:

- 25% of the payments go to counties involved
- 35% of the payments go to “Renewable Energy Resource Conservation Fund” which is managed by the Sec. of the Interior.

With the revenue sharing provision in mind the SSA staff recommends support of H.R. 2663 going forward.

S. 2012 (Murkowski) - North American Energy Security and Infrastructure Act of 2016

SSA Position: Watch

Status: Introduced to Senate on Sept. 9th, 2015. Currently on the Senate Floor voting upon amendments as of Feb 4th, 2016. Passed the Senate as of April 20th. Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 744 Reported to House. The resolution provides for consideration of S. 2012 and H.R. 5233 on May 24th, 2016. Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill and House requests a conference May 26th, 2016. The House had named their conferees for the joint committee however the Senate has not, as talks have stalled as of June 20th, 2016. Senate disagrees to the House amendment to the Senate bill, agrees to request for conference, and the Presiding Officer appoints the following conferees: Murkowski, Barrasso, Risch, Cornyn, Cantwell, Wyden, and Sanders on July 12th, 2016. Conference Cmte Held on Sept. 8th, 2016.

The relevance of adding S. 2012 on to the SSA legislative report is that S. 1407 (Heller) Supported by the SSA, has been added to this bill via amendment. S. 1407 has been added by way of amendment 3286 to amendment 2953. Amendment 2953 was passed by the Senate; however our “revenue sharing provision” in S.1407 in which we supported the bill did not make the cut.

The SSA should continue to watch and send out letters of support for the addition of the “revenue sharing provision” to S.2012 as the Senate and House try to compromise between S.2012 and its House counterpart H.R. 8. As the final “energy bill” may hold value to the SSA.

S. 2568 (Feinstein) - California Desert Conservation, Off-Road Recreation, and Renewable Energy Act

SSA Position: Support

Status: Introduced to the Senate on Feb. 23rd, 2016, referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The main reason behind the revision of S.414 into S. 2568 was President Obama’s decision to create three national monuments in the Mojave Desert under the Antiquities

Act; however that act did not allow many other valuable provisions that were in the original legislation of S. 414.

Of note for the SSA the “disposition of revenues” section has remained the same as in S. 414. The specifics that affect SSA and “of note” this only applies to the development of wind or solar energy land managed by the BLM are as follows:

- 25% of the payments go to counties involved
- 35% of the payments go to “Renewable Energy Resource Conservation Fund” which is managed by the Sec. of the Interior.
- Areas that are eligible for such “funds” that are of note for the SSA are ones around wind or solar development areas that are in need of restoring and protecting such as: wildlife habitat, wildlife corridors, and water resources.

With the “disposition of revenues” section in mind the SSA should support S. 2568 going forward.

S. 2848 (Inhofe) - Water Resources Development Act of 2016.

SSA Position: Staff recommends SUPPORT

Status: Introduced to the Senate on April 25th, 2016. Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably on April 28th, 2016. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders, Calendar No. 523 on June 20th, 2016. Considered by the Senate and amendments being heard on Sept. 8th, 2016. Senate passes with a vote of 95-3 on Sept 15th, 2016.

This is a bill to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes.

Of note for the SSA Section 4011 would modify the WRDA 2007 authorization of Salton Sea Restoration Pilot Projects by striking the term “pilot” and adding “Salton Sea Authority or other non-federal interest” as potential parties for implementation agreements.

The SSA Board supports S. 2848 due to the bill specifically designating the SSA as a preferred partner for the funding agreements to be established with the Army Corps as well as the appropriations of \$30 million for Salton Sea projects from WRDA 2007.

Terminology Reference

Chaptered - After a bill has been signed by the Governor, the Secretary of State assigns the bill a Chapter Number, for example, "Chapter 123, Statutes of 1998," which subsequently may be used to refer to the measure.

Held under submission - action taken by a committee when a bill is heard in committee and there is an indication that the author and the committee members want to work on or discuss the bill further, but there is no motion for the bill to progress out of committee. This does not preclude the bill from being set for another hearing.

Inactive file - The portion of the Daily File containing legislation that is ready for floor consideration, but, for a variety of reasons, is dormant. An author may move a bill to the inactive file if he or she wishes to take it up at a later date. Once a bill is on the inactive file, one day's public notice is needed to place it back on the agenda.

Suspense File - A bill or set of bills, with a fiscal impact, set aside in Appropriations Committee by a majority of Members present and voting. These bills may be heard at a later hearing.