VSWCD: DRAFT FINAL AGENDA: 5/21/26 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

LOCATION: Whitfield Conservation Area, Visitor & Education Center, 2424 State Highway 47, Belen

CALL to ORDER AT 4:00 p.m. *Regular monthly board meetings held the 3rd Thursday of each month at Whitfield.*

*****ALL AGENDA ITEMS MAY BE ACTED UPON BY THE BOARD.*****

1. 4:00 P.M. – VERIFY QUORUM, CONDUCT PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, REVIEW AND APPROVE AGENDA……CHAIR

2. 4:05 P.M. – APPROVE 4/30/26 BOARD MEETING MINS…….CHAIR

3. 4:10 P.M. – REQUEST FROM ORONA ROAD—OTERO ROAD COMMUNITY… SPECIAL GUEST JESSICA MONTAÑO ET AL ……..CHAIR

4. 4:20 P.M. – PUBLIC COMMENT

5. 4:25 P.M. – HIGHLIGHTS OF DISTRICT STAFF REPORTS…….IDM & STAFF

5. 4:40 P.M. – PARTNER REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/OTHER…MRGCD, NMDA, NRCS, FRIENDS OF WHITFIELD, AND NMACD.……IDM AND CHAIR

6. 5:00 P.M. – TREASURER'S REPORT (BUDGET & ACCOUNTING) ……..TREASURER

a. Review and approve the monthly Reconciliation Reports for Wells Fargo & United Business Bank accounts

b. Review and approve Interim Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026

c. Update on Independent Public Accountant and Agreed upon Procedures

d. Review and approve transfer of remaining FY 2026 funds for standard conservation applications for funding to stand-alone conservation practice applications

7. 5:25 P.M. – ENVIROTHON—REPORT FROM SCHOOL TEAMS……..ENV. EDUCATION PROGRAM MANAGER

8. 5:35 P.M. – FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES COMMITTEE UPDATE & APPROVALS (capacity, contractor for EDA grant-funded construction, Noxious Weeds/Soil Health, SWCC Water Quality)…….CHAIR

9. 5:45 P.M. – EXECUTIVE SESSION PER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, NMSA 1978, Chapter 10, Article 15 (H)(2) re LIMITED PERSONNEL MATTERS: HIRING OF DISTRICT MANAGER…….CHAIR/VICE CHAIR

10. 5:55 P.M. – RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AND CONSIDERATION OF A VOTE ON HIRING DECISION..CHAIR

11. 6:00 P.M. – WETLANDS

6:05 P.M. Round Robin

ADJOURNMENT: No later than 6:10 p.m.

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VSWCD Public Comment Policy Statement:

WHEREAS: The Open Meetings Act NMSA 1978, Chapter 10, Article 15, III Section 10-15-1, Subpart A states " an open public meeting is not necessarily an open forum and, so long as the Act is complied with, public bodies may limit, or not allow public debate and may take steps necessary to maintain public order" and Subpart F states "meeting notices shall include an agenda containing a list of specific items of business to be discussed or transacted at the meeting;"

WHEREAS: The Valencia Soil and Water Conservation District (VSWCD) desires to provide opportunity for public comments at meetings under its purview;

WHEREAS: VSWCD Board meetings are held in person;

THEREFORE: In accordance with the Open Meetings Act:

- **Those wishing to give public comments will so indicate on the sign-in sheet prior to the start of the meeting and will provide their full legal name and their current address.**
- **Public comments may be submitted by email to public-input@valenciaswcd-nm.gov. If sent by the U.S. mail, they must be received no later than the day prior (see address below). Written comments must include the full legal name and current address of the writer.**
- **All comments will be limited to 3 minutes and compliance will be enforced to ensure timely conductance of District business.**
- **The VSWCD Board Supervisors are under no legal obligation to accept, concur with, record, or respond to any offered public comment(s).**
- **Appropriate action(s) will be taken, as necessary, by the Board at the meeting, or otherwise in a timely manner.**

This policy pertains to the conductance of VSWCD meetings. Public comments may also be submitted at any time. Letters should be sent to: VSWCD, attn. District Manager, P.O. Box 170, Belen, NM 87002. Emails should be sent to: public-input@valenciaswcd-nm.gov

FIND US at 2424 Hwy 47 in Belen, NM / Phone: 505-864-8914, and on the web at http://www.valenciaswcd-nm.gov