



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

February 22, 2016

The Honorable Kevin de León
President pro Tempore
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 205
Sacramento, CA 95814

The Honorable Toni G. Atkins
Speaker, California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 219
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED pursuant to Section 124.5 of the Metropolitan Water District Act (Stats. 1984, ch. 271)

Dear Senator de León and Speaker Atkins:

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan) Board of Directors will hold a public hearing to consider suspending the restriction on its ad valorem tax rate in Section 124.5 of the Metropolitan Water District Act (Stats. 1984, ch. 271). Under Section 124.5, the Legislature authorized the Board of Directors to suspend the tax rate restriction upon a finding that a tax rate in excess of the restriction is essential to fiscal integrity.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at 12:00 p.m. in the Board Room of Metropolitan's headquarters building at 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California. The Board will receive comments on recommendations to suspend the tax rate restriction and maintain Metropolitan's ad valorem tax rate at its current level for fiscal years 2016/17 and 2017/18. Public comments are encouraged.

Notice of this public hearing is provided to you pursuant to Section 124.5 of the Metropolitan Water District Act (Stats. 1984, ch. 271). The agenda for the Board meeting and information about the recommendations to be considered will be posted on Metropolitan's web page at <http://mwdh2o.com/WhoWeAre/Board/Board-Meeting/Pages/default.aspx>. Additional information may be requested from the Board Executive Secretary at (213) 217-6291.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dawn Chin".

Dawn Chin
Board Executive Secretary