

## AGENDA

### SANTA MARGARITA WATER DISTRICT

### SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 2013

3:00-5:00 P.M., BOARD ROOM, DISTRICT OFFICE

26111 ANTONIO PARKWAY, RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, CALIFORNIA

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#### **1. PUBLIC FORUM**

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## 2. WORKSHOP

- 2.1 Discussion of (1) Economic Forecast for Public Utilities; (2) Investment Options for the District; and (3) Discussion of District's Investment Policy.

Workshop Presenters:

Chris Blackwood serves as a Director for PFM Asset Management LLC in Denver, Colorado. From 2000 to 2010, Chris served as portfolio manager and administrator for two local government investment pools and provided oversight on multiple separately managed accounts totaling in excess of \$5 billion. Previously, he served as Chief Financial Economist for Boettcher & Company and Senior Economist to the Governor of Colorado. He holds a B.A. and M.A. in Economics from the University of Colorado and has received Executive Education certificates from the University of Denver and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Richard Babbe, a Senior Managing Consultant with the PFM California investment advisory group, joined PFM in 1999 and serves as a project manager for California clients. His responsibilities include serving as a liaison between clients and the trading room, coordinating information about liquidity needs, new funds available for investment and general client needs. Mr. Babbe works closely with clients to formulate and implement a customized investment strategy designed to meet their specific investment objectives. He also conducts training sessions for industry groups and clients regarding investment fundamentals and investment management techniques.

**Staff Recommendation:** Based on the discussion, the District may consider future revisions to the investment policy.

- 2.2 Discussion on Operating Reserve Policy

**Staff Recommendation:** Based on the discussion, the District may consider future revisions to the reserve policy