

Meeting Agenda

Meeting of the California Water Commission Wednesday, February 16, 2022 Beginning at 9:30 a.m.

As a result of the COVID-19 emergency and pursuant to Government Code 11133 and Executive Order N-1-22, the February 16, 2022 California Water Commission meeting will not have a physical location. This will be a remote-only meeting, conducted via a web-based videoconferencing service called Zoom. The Commission remains committed to transparency. Members of the public will be able to listen to and watch the meeting and comment if desired.

Registration is not required to provide public comments. Members of the public who wish to comment during the meeting can do so by joining on <u>Zoom</u> (<u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84175427330?pwd=aXR6UEJhd3R1R1pVWDVqRFcvcDImdz09</u>). More detailed instructions on how to use Zoom and participate in the meeting can be found on the <u>Commission website</u>.

Alternatively, members of the public can offer verbal comments by telephone by calling one of the numbers below:

(408) 638-0968 (669) 900-6833 Meeting ID: 841 7542 7330 Passcode: 035365

The meeting will be webcast live at: <u>https://www.water-ca.com/</u>. Individuals who only want to watch or listen should use this option as it preserves interactive meeting resources for those who are commenting on items.

1. Call to Order

- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Closed Session

The Commission may hold a closed session, as authorized by Government Code §11126(e), to confer with and receive advice from its legal counsel regarding potential litigation, and as authorized by Government Code §11126(a).

4. Approval of January 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes

5. Executive Officer's Report

The Executive Officer will report on various matters addressed since the previous Commission meeting.

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6. Commission Member Reports

This is an opportunity for members to disclose any meetings or conversations related to Commission business since the previous Commission meeting.

7. Public Testimony

Although no formal Commission action will be taken, the Commission offers an opportunity for the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the Commission's jurisdiction, but that do not appear on the agenda.

8. Water Storage Investment Program: Second Solicitation Considerations and Other Options (Action Item)

In January 2021, the Commission set aside \$63.9M in funding for a possible second solicitation. The Commission opened a project screening to see what additional projects might exist. In December 2021, two projects completed the screening process. Commission staff will present considerations around a second solicitation and identify other options available to the Commission to utilize the \$63.9M. The Commission will decide whether to move forward with a second solicitation or direct staff to prepare additional information for further consideration of alternate application of the funds at a subsequent Commission meeting. The Commission may move forward with one, both, or neither of these actions.

9. 2021 Annual Review of the State Water Project (Action Item)

Commission staff will present the draft 2021 Annual Review of the State Water Project (SWP) for Commission consideration and approval.

10. State Water Project Briefings: Preparing for Climate Extremes

The Commission will launch its 2022 SWP briefings by introducing this year's theme: Preparing for climate extremes – ensuring a reliable State Water Project to meet the challenges of drought, flood, and wildfire. The Commission will receive briefings from DWR staff on the Department of Water Resources' (DWR) preparations for climate extremes, forecasting improvements, climate change planning for the SWP, and drought planning for 2022.

11. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Implementation Update

DWR's Sustainable Groundwater Management Office staff will provide an update on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) implementation, including an overview of Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs) DWR has reviewed to date and the approach and timeline for reviewing GSPs submitted in January 2022.

12. Groundwater Trading: Feedback on Draft White Paper

Commission staff will discuss comments received to date on the Commission's draft white paper containing preliminary findings regarding how to shape well-managed California Water Commission Meeting Agenda, February 16, 2022 Page 3

> groundwater trading programs and proposed next steps for State engagement. This draft white paper synthesizes the information the Commission gathered over the last year for its consideration of well-managed groundwater trading programs to support Water Resilience Portfolio Action 3.6. The final draft version will be brought to the Commission for its consideration and approval in March 2022.

13. Consideration of Items for Next California Water Commission Meeting

14. Adjourn

The Commission may break for lunch as needed.

At the discretion of the California Water Commission, all items appearing on this agenda, whether or not expressly listed for action, may be deliberated upon and may be subject to action.

Further information regarding this meeting will be available at <u>https://cwc.ca.gov/</u>.

- Members of the public shall be provided an opportunity to address the California Water Commission on any agenda item except closed session items. Comments during the public comment period shall be limited to matters within the Commission's jurisdiction. Reasonable time limits may be established for public comments (Government Code Section 11125.7), and the Commission has established a three-minute limit per comment.
- Agenda items may be heard in any order at the discretion of the Commission.
- Written comments regarding specific items on this agenda will be provided to the Commissioners as part of their meeting packets if they are received by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 14, 2022. Written comments can be submitted to <u>cwc@water.ca.gov</u>. Staff will make every effort to provide comments received after this deadline electronically, but we cannot make any guarantees.
- Copies of meeting materials are available on the <u>Commission website</u>. Anyone may request hard copies of these materials; however, the Commission may charge a fee covering the cost of providing such materials.
- The Commission intends to provide a webcast of the meeting. However, if technical difficulties interrupt the webcast at times, the full webcast video will be posted at cwc.ca.gov as soon as possible.
- If you require special accommodations, please call (916) 873-5774 or email <u>cwc@water.ca.gov</u>.
- For further information about items on this agenda please contact Brianna Shoemaker, <u>Brianna.Shoemaker@water.ca.gov</u> or (916) 902-6785.