

#### **Meeting Agenda**

Meeting of the California Water Commission Wednesday, August 20, 2025 Beginning at 9:30 a.m. California Natural Resources Building 715 P Street, Conference Room 221 Sacramento, California 95814

Members of the public will be able to observe the meeting and provide public comments inperson at the meeting location or remotely. Remote participation will be conducted via a webbased videoconferencing service called Zoom.

Registration is not required to provide public comments. Members of the public who wish to provide comments remotely during the meeting can do so by joining on <a href="Zoom">Zoom</a> (<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86489495509?pwd=zL9kZBQpj7TdsFgiDqHmMPE60soDH1.1">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86489495509?pwd=zL9kZBQpj7TdsFgiDqHmMPE60soDH1.1</a>). More detailed instructions on how to use Zoom and participate in the meeting can be found on the Commission website.

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: 864 8949 5509

Passcode: 404650

The meeting will be webcast live at: <a href="https://www.water-ca.com/">https://www.water-ca.com/</a>. 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. Acknowledgement of California Native American Tribal Governments

This is an opportunity for elected Tribal leaders and formally designated Tribal representatives to identify themselves and to specify the agenda item(s) on which they will comment, as described in the Commission's California Native American Tribal Leadership Comment Policy.

### 4. Approval of July 16, 2025, Meeting Minutes

#### 5. Executive Officer's Report

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

# 6. Commission Member Reports

This is an opportunity for members to disclose any meetings or conversations related to Commission business and held 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: Update on Expected Timelines and Obstacles

  Commission staff will provide an update on the progress of projects in the Water

  Storage Investment Program (WSIP) and provide an overview of current project

  timelines and potential obstacles in an effort to track how projects are demonstrating
  sufficient progress towards securing WSIP funding.
- Water Storage Investment Program: Consideration of Inflationary Increases to Projects'
   Maximum Conditional Eligibility Determinations Amounts (Action Item)

The Commission will consider options to provide pro-rata inflationary increases to WSIP projects' Maximum Conditional Eligibility Determination (MCED) amounts with funds made available by the withdrawal of the Los Vaqueros Expansion Project and passage of Proposition 4 (2024). The Commission will consider inflationary adjustments to the following projects' MCEDs:

- Chino Basin Program
- Kern Fan Groundwater Storage Project
- Pacheco Reservoir Expansion Project
- Sites Project
- Willow Springs Water Bank Conjunctive Use Project

The Commission may ask staff to consider how any WSIP funding unattached to a project MCED could be utilized to support projects going forward.

# 10. Water Storage Investment Program: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Early Funding Regulations (Action Item)

Commission counsel will present proposed changes to the Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP) regulations for the Commission's consideration. The proposed change removes the dollar cap for early funding as set forth in the WSIP regulations (23 CCR § 6010). The proposed change does not change the percentage cap for early funding available to a WSIP project.

# 11. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: Update on Implementation and Groundwater Conditions

Staff from the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) will provide an update on the implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) and groundwater conditions.

# 12. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: Update on Groundwater Trading from State and Local Perspectives

Staff from DWR and SWRCB will provide an update on State Actions on groundwater trading. A representative from the Mid-Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) will provide a local perspective on efforts to implement groundwater trading practices.

# 13. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: Update on Subsidence Best Management Practices

Staff from DWR will provide an overview of the Draft Subsidence Best Management Practices that will assist local GSAs in understanding how subsidence occurs, how to monitor conditions, and how to best manage subsidence conditions.

### 14. Consideration of Items for Next California Water Commission Meeting

# 15. 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 <a href="https://cwc.ca.gov/">https://cwc.ca.gov/</a>.

- California Native American Tribal leaders and representatives and members of the public shall be provided an opportunity to address the California Water Commission on any agenda item except closed session items. Comments shall be limited to matters within the Commission's jurisdiction. Reasonable time limits may be established for comments (Government Code Section 11125.7), and the Commission has established a three-minute limit per comment. California Native American Tribal leaders and representatives who identify themselves during agenda item 3 will be given the opportunity to provide comments prior to public comment on agenda items as outlined in the Commission's California Native American Tribal Leadership Comment Policy.
- 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, August 18, 2025. Staff will make every effort to provide comments received after
  this deadline electronically, but we cannot make any guarantees. Written comments can be
  submitted to <a href="mailto:cwc@water.ca.gov">cwc@water.ca.gov</a>. Comments received by the Commission related to

meeting agenda items will not be edited and will be posted to the Commission's webpage in their entirety.

- 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 <a href="mailto:cwc@water.ca.gov">cwc@water.ca.gov</a>.
- For further information about items on this agenda please contact Aaron Walters, Aaron.Walters@water.ca.gov or (916) 651-7501.