



Agenda at a Glance

General Information

- The California Water Commission, called the “Commission,” is made up of nine members, called “Commissioners,” who are selected by the Governor and approved by the State Senate to make decisions about some water issues in California.
- The Commission meets regularly, typically every month. The agenda lays out the meeting topics, called “agenda items.”
- For all agenda items, the Commissioners can ask questions of presenters and Commission staff. The public can speak to the Commissioners, called “public comment,” before Commissioners discuss an agenda item. Each public comment is limited to three minutes.
- Tribes are independent governments. State agencies must work directly with Tribes through a government-to-government relationship. Tribal leaders are not the same as members of the public, interest groups, or cultural or ethnic communities. The Commission has a different process for [Tribal leadership comment](#).

Agenda

1. Call to Order

- The leader of the meeting, called the “Chair,” will start the meeting. The Chair will give instructions on how people can make comments on topics covered in the meeting.

2. Roll Call

- The Chair will take attendance, called “roll call,” to determine which Commissioners are present or absent for the meeting.

3. Acknowledgement of California Native American Tribal Governments

- The Chair will invite Tribal leaders, or their representatives, to identify themselves and the agenda item on which item they plan to comment. Tribal members may comment during the normal public comment period.

4. Approval of August 19, 2026, Meeting Minutes

- The Chair will ask the Commissioners to approve the meeting notes, called “meeting minutes,” from the previous meeting. They can correct mistakes in the minutes before they approve them.

5. Executive Officer’s Report

- The Executive Officer will give an update on what has happened since the last Commission meeting.

6. Commission Member Reports

- The Chair will ask the Commissioners to share if they had any meetings or conversations related to the Commission’s business.

7. Public Testimony

- The Chair will ask for public comment on topics that are relevant to the Commission, but not on the current agenda.

8. Groundwater Recharge: State agency roles and regional perspectives

- Groundwater recharge is when water from rain, rivers, or snowmelt soaks down through the soil and refills the underground water supply.
- Staff from different State agencies will talk about what each agency does for groundwater recharge.
- People who live in different areas of the state will share their thoughts on groundwater recharge.
- This is an informational item, important to anyone interested in groundwater recharge.

9. Water Storage Investment Program Update

- The [Water Storage Investment Program](#), called “WSIP,” funds the public benefits of water storage projects. “Public benefits” are the ways in which water storage projects provide benefits to Californians broadly, such as cleaner water, new recreational opportunities, and improvements to the land and water that fish and other wildlife need to survive.
- Commission staff will provide new information about the projects that are part of WSIP. Background information about the projects that are part of WSIP is available [at this link](#), on the right side of the webpage.
- This is an informational item, important to anyone interested in the progress of the projects in WSIP.

10. Water Storage Investment Program: Chino Basin Program Project Update and Virtual Tour

- The Chino Basin Program is a part of the WSIP. The project is located in San Bernardino County and will store treated wastewater underground and then use that water when it is needed at other times.
- At this meeting, representatives of the Chino Basin Program will present a virtual tour of the project.
- This is an informational item, important to anyone interested in the progress of the projects in WSIP, specifically the Chino Basin Program.

11. Water Storage Investment Program: Chino Basin Program State Agency Draft Contracts for the Administration of Public Benefits

- The Chino Basin Program, when completed, will provide public benefits to Californians such as helping to provide clean water; prevent floods; and improving the environment for fish and birds. The Chino Basin Program is overseen by the Inland Empire Utilities Agencies, called "IEUA."
- These benefits will be managed by three different State agencies: California Department of Fish and Wildlife, called "CDFW," Department of Water Resources, called "DWR," and State Water Resources Control Board, called "SWRCB." CDFW, DWR, and SWRCB must work with IEUA to figure out how these benefits will be managed.
- This work will create documents known as the contracts for the administration of public benefits, called "CAPBs." WSIP projects are required to have CAPBs completed before the Commission can give the projects funding.
- At this meeting, CDFW, DWR, and SWRCB will present draft versions of their CAPBs for the Chino Basin Program. This will allow members of the public and the Commissioners the chance to review the draft CAPBs and give feedback to CDFW, DWR, and SWRCB.
- This is an informational item, important to anyone interested in the WSIP and specifically the Chino Basin Program.

12. Consideration of Items for Next California Water Commission Meeting

- The Chair will ask if anyone has ideas for agenda items at the next meeting.

13. Adjourn

- The Chair will end the meeting.