

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, March 4, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.
Coastal Hearing Room – Second Floor
Joe Serna Jr. - CalEPA Building
1001 I Street, Sacramento
And via Video and Teleconference
(Gov. Code, § 11123.2)

Video and Teleconference Options: This meeting will occur with both a physical meeting location and an option to participate from a remote location. A majority of the members will be physically present at the noticed meeting location.

- For those who only wish to watch the meeting, the webcast remains available at either https://www.youtube.com/user/BoardWebSupport/ or https://video.calepa.ca.gov/ (closed captioning available) and should be used UNLESS you intend to comment.
- For members of the public who wish to comment on an agenda item or are
 presenting to the Board, additional information about participating telephonically
 or via the Board's online platform is available at:
 https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/remote_meeting/

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

E. Joaquin Esquivel, Chair; Dorene D'Adamo, Vice Chair; Sean Maguire, Member; Laurel Firestone, Member; Nichole Morgan, Member

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025

BOARD MEETING

Public comments on agenda items will be limited to 5 minutes or otherwise at the discretion of the Board Chair

PUBLIC FORUM

(Approximately 30 minutes at the beginning of Board Meeting and any remaining speakers at the call of the Chair)

Any member of the public may address and ask questions of the Board relating to any matter within the State Water Resources Control Board's jurisdiction provided the matter is not on the agenda or pending before the State Water Board or any California Regional Water Quality Control Board.

BOARD BUSINESS

 The Board will consider adoption of the February 19-20, 2025 Board Meeting minutes.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 2. Current Hydrologic Conditions and Response.
- 3. Discussion on yearly Strategic Work Plan and Board Priorities.
 - <u>Draft State Water Board 2025 Strategic Workplan</u>
- 4. Racial Equity Action Plan Annual Update.
 - Agenda Item
 - Racial Equity Action Plan 2023 Annual Update
 - Racial Equity Action Plan 2024 Annual Update
- 5. Office of the Delta Watermaster: Periodic Report.
 - Agenda Item
- 6. Quarterly Delta Stewardship Council Lead Scientist's Report: Review of current Delta science research, activities, and initiatives.
 - Agenda Item
- 7. Board Member Reports.
- 8. Executive Director's Report.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Sessions are not open to the Public

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS OFFICE/ DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

The Board may meet in closed session to deliberate on procedural or substantive decisions to be reached in the proceeding to consider the water right change petition filed by the California Department of Water Resources to add two new points of diversion and rediversion to water right permits 16478, 16479, 16481, and 16482 (Applications 5630, 14443, 14445A, and 17512, respectively) for the State Water Project associated with the Delta Conveyance Project. (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3).)

The Board may meet in closed session to deliberate on procedural or substantive decisions to be reached in the proceeding to consider the petition for partial assignment of state-filed Application 25517, accompanying water right Application 25517X01, and petitions for release from priority of state-filed Applications 25513, 25514, 25517 (unassigned portion), 22235, 23780, and 23781 in favor of water right Application 25517X01 filed by the Sites Project Authority. (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3).)

OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL

The Board will meet in closed session to discuss the status of and receive legal advice concerning a complaint filed against the Board pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000(d) et seq., and the United States Environmental Protection Agency's nondiscrimination regulation, at 40 C.F.R. Part 7, pertaining to the Board's water quality standards setting in the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta watershed (EPA File No. 01RNO-23-R9). (This closed session is authorized under Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e).)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

Unless otherwise specified, submittal of written comments <u>must be received by</u> 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on February 27, 2025 and will not be accepted after that time.

Submittal of electronic PowerPoint presentations <u>must be received by</u> 12:00 p.m. (Noon) on February 27, 2025 and will not be accepted after that time.

Submittals are to be sent via e-mail to the Clerk to the Board at commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. Please indicate in the subject line, 03/04/2025 BOARD MEETING - ITEM # (fill in bolded subject from appropriate item).

If you have questions about the agenda, or if you do not have internet access and need a telephone number to participate in the meeting, please contact the Clerk to the Board at (916) 341-5600 prior to the date of the meeting.

If you would like to request a copy of public comments submitted on an agenda item, please send a request to commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov, identifying the Board meeting date, and agenda item by name and number.

Agenda and items will be available electronically at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board info/calendar/index.shtml

*Items on the uncontested items calendar may be removed at the request of any Board Member or person. If an item is removed from the uncontested items calendar, it will only be voted on at this meeting if the Board accepts the staff recommendation for the agenda item. Otherwise, the item will be continued to a subsequent board meeting to allow input by interested persons.

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Service at: (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922. In addition, persons requiring reasonable modification or accommodation for disabilities should promptly (preferably at least 7 days before the meeting) contact the Clerk at board.clerk@waterboards.ca.gov to initiate a request for reasonable modification or accommodation.