
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) Advisory Group will hold a meeting. A quorum of State Water Resources Control Board members will be present, but no State Water Board action will be taken. This meeting will occur in-person. There will be a physical and a remote meeting location for the public to participate.

SAFER Drinking Water Program: Advisory Group Meeting #4

**December 11, 2025
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM

OR

IN-PERSON PARTICIPATION

CSUMB Salinas City Center
Vista Room
1 Main St, Salinas, CA 93901

VIDEO AND TELECONFERENCE OPTION

To watch and participate in the meeting, register at https://bit.ly/Reg_AGM4
The meeting will also be streamed via video.calepa.ca.gov

PURPOSE

This meeting will bring together the SAFER Advisory Group to discuss items on the following agenda. Items on this agenda are numbered for identification purposes only; the SAFER Advisory Group may consider the items out of the listed order.

AGENDA

- I. Domestic Well Discussion
- II. SAFER Program Goals: Quarterly Updates on Metrics
- III. Presentation of Regional Drinking Water Tour
- IV. Advisory Group Member Announcements
- V. Public Comments

E. JOAQUIN ESQUIVEL, CHAIR | ERIC OPPENHEIMER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

VI. Central Coast Drinking Water Tour

- a. Stop 1 – Echo Valley School (Regionalization Project)
Approximate time 1:05pm
Address: 147 Echo Valley Road, Salinas, CA 93907
- b. Stop 2 – McGinnis Road, Watsonville, CA
Approximate time 2:10pm
Address: 150 Johnson Road, Royal Oak, CA 95076
- c. Final stop - CSUMB Salinas City Center, Vista Room, 1 Main St, Salinas, CA 93901

PUBLIC COMMENT

SAFER Advisory Group meetings are open to the public. Members of the public are provided with an opportunity to comment on agenda items, in person, by email, by telephone or via the remote meeting platform (Zoom). Public comments on agenda items will be limited to three (3) minutes.

To speak on an agenda item, please send an email to safer@waterboards.ca.gov with the following information:

1. In the email subject line, write “**SAFER Advisory Group Meeting Comment**”
2. In the body of the email, please include the following:
 - a. Your name (you may choose to remain anonymous or use a pseudonym)
 - b. Who you represent (self, another person, an organization, etc.)
 - c. The agenda item number or topic you wish to speak on
 - d. If you would like to share your comment verbally
 - e. If you would have staff read your comment out loud.
 - f. The last three digits of the phone number you will be calling from (used only for identifying who will be speaking on an agenda item)

The meeting coordinator will respond to your email with instructions.

LANGUAGE SERVICES

This meeting will be offered in English and Spanish. To request interpretation in another language or sign language services, please submit your request at least 10 business days before the meeting. Please request language services by submitting a [Language Services Request](#), by calling (916) 445-5615, or by submitting an email to safer@waterboards.ca.gov

WEBCAST ACCESSIBILITY

This meeting will be offered in English and Spanish. Telecommunications device for the hearing impaired (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

MEETING MATERIALS

Meeting details and materials will be available online at waterboards.ca.gov/safer/calendar.

BACKGROUND

This meeting is part of the State Water Board's Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) drinking water program, generally referred to as SAFER.

The SAFER drinking water program is designed to ensure Californians who lack safe and affordable drinking water receive it as quickly as possible. The SAFER drinking water program is helping water systems achieve this goal through a set of tools, funding sources, regulatory authorities, and community outreach and education.

The SAFER Advisory Group is a consultative body that advises the Board on the SAFER Fund Expenditure Plan, and other key analyses and policies as needed. The SAFER Advisory Group does not make decisions or come to consensus on discussion topics.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions about this notice, email safer@waterboards.ca.gov.

To learn more about the SAFER Drinking Water program, visit waterboards.ca.gov/safer.

October 6, 2025
Date


Courtney Tyler
Clerk to the Board