

CENTRAL VALLEY REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

602nd BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FRIDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2025, 9:00 A.M.

BOARD MEETING LOCATION

CalEPA Building
State Water Resources Control Board
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
Zoom Teleconference and Webcast

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- Sending an email to agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov (include the date of the Board Meeting);
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The video of the Board Meeting is available to view on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D5av9Lrpv68) at

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D5av9Lrpv68>).

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair Nick Avdis, Vice Chair Elena Lee Reeder, Member Bradford, Member Denise Kadara (virtual), Member Sean Yang, and Member Arthur Baggett

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STATE WATER BOARD MEMBER PRESENT

Nichole Morgan

STATE WATER BOARD OFFICE OF CHIEF COUNSEL AND ENFORCEMENT STAFF PRESENT

Jessica Jahr, Attorney IV

Kennedy Knight, Attorney
Chris Moskal, Attorney

EXECUTIVE STAFF PRESENT

Patrick Pulupa, Executive Officer
Adam Laputz, Assistant Executive Officer
Clint Snyder, Assistant Executive Officer
John “JJ” Baum, Assistant Executive Officer
Christina Shupe, Assistant Executive Officer
Mindy Bunn, Chief of Staff

AGENDA ITEM 1 – ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF A QUORUM

Chair Avdis called the 602nd Board Meeting to order and declared a quorum of the Board was present.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – INTRODUCTIONS, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MEETING RULES

Chair Avdis made introductions and Executive Officer (EO) Patrick Pulupa introduced staff and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Vice Chair Lee Reeder submitted the following communications:

- 3 October 2025 – Attended the Chair’s Meeting at CalEPA.

Member Kadara submitted the following communications:

- 21 January 2026 - Participated in a groundbreaking ceremony for the community of Allensworth to celebrate the installation of a new well, with a 500,000-storage tank to follow.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – STATE WATER BOARD LIAISON UPDATE

State Water Board Member Nichole Morgan provided an update to the Central Valley Water Board. For a copy of the report, please email agenda5@waterboards.ca.gov.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – PUBLIC FORUM

Any member of the public may address the Board on any matter within the Board's jurisdiction and not scheduled for consideration at this meeting or pending before the Board. Comments are limited to 3 minutes each.

Commenters

Patricia Angeja, Amador's Heart of Gold

AGENDA ITEM 6 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Chair Avdis noted prior to each Board Meeting, the EO works with the Executive Assistant and the Board's Program Managers to compile a report on the status of the Board's programs and initiatives since the previous Board Meeting.

EO Pulupa confirmed the June 2026 Board Meeting changed from June 18th and 19th to June 3rd and 4th, 2026.

Next, EO Pulupa presented the 2024/2025 Year End Report, which included updates from the Environmental Justice Workgroup on current and future progress.

Staff Presenters

Marisol Gonzalez
Matthew Jian
Brandon Salazar
Heather Staplin
Chad Neptune
Katie Gilman
Michelle Delena
Rebecca Asami
Mariana Estrada
Petra Lee
Eric Warren
Mario Jaramillo

Commenters

None

AGENDA ITEM 7 – ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PRIOR BOARD MEETING

Motion to adopt the previous Board Meeting minutes from the 10 October 2025 Board Meeting.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE OCTOBER 2025 MEETING MINUTES

Motioned: Member Bradford

Seconded: Member Lee Reeder

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Member Bradford	Yes
Member Baggett	Yes
Vice Chair Lee Reeder	Yes
Chair Avdis	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 6-0-0

AGENDA ITEM 8 – ADOPTION OF UNCONTESTED CALENDAR AGENDA ITEMS 13, 14, 16 AND 17

Commenters

None

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

(Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, section 647.2, subd. (f).) Uncontested items are those items that are not being contested at the Board Meeting and will be acted on without discussion. If any person or Board Member requests a discussion, the item may be removed from the Uncontested Calendar.

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (AGENDA ITEM 16)

- a. El Dorado County, Union Mine Septage/Leachate Treatment Facility, El Dorado County – Consideration of Amended Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2006-0019-001
- b. Tracy Phase 4, LLC, Tracy Hills Phases 3 and 4 Project, San Joaquin County – Consideration of New Waste Discharge Requirements

THIS ITEM WAS MOVED FROM THE CONTESTED CALENDAR

13. Sunsweet Growers Inc., Sunsweet Dryers Red Bluff, Tehama County – Consideration of Revised Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 94-309 [Valerie Rasmussen (530) 224-6130]

THIS ITEM WAS MOVED FROM THE CONTESTED CALENDAR

14. Treehouse California Almonds, LLC, Earlimart Almond Processing Facility, Tulare County – Consideration of Revised Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2018-0066 [Jeff Robins (559) 445-5976]

RESCISSIONS (AGENDA ITEM 17)

- a. Indian Valley Community Services District, Greenville Wastewater Ponds, Plumas County – Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 99-046
- b. Michael Fowler, Water Recycling Project, Lake County – Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. 99-070

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA ITEM 8 (UNCONTESTED CALENDAR ITEMS 13, 14, 16 AND 17)

Motioned: Vice Chair Lee Reeder
Seconded: Member Baggett

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Member Bradford	Yes
Member Baggett	Yes
Vice Chair Lee Reeder	Yes
Chair Avdis	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 6-0-0

AGENDA ITEM 9 – O’NEILL BEVERAGES COMPANY, LLC; REEDLEY WINERY AND DISTILLERY; FRESNO COUNTY – CONSIDERATION OF RESCISSION OF CEASE-AND-DESIST ORDER R5-2014-0046

Commenters

None

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA ITEM 9 (O’NEILL BEVERAGES COMPANY, LLC; REEDLEY WINERY AND DISTILLERY; FRESNO COUNTY – CEASE AND DESIST ORDER RESCISSION)

Motioned: Vice Chair Lee Reeder
Seconded: Member Yang

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Member Bradford	Yes
Member Baggett	Yes
Vice Chair Lee Reeder	Yes
Chair Avdis	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 6-0-0

AGENDA ITEM 10 – PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN FOR THE TULARE LAKE BASIN TO REMOVE THE MUNICIPAL AND DOMESTIC SUPPLY (MUN) AND AGRICULTURAL SUPPLY (AGR) BENEFICIAL USES FROM GROUNDWATER WITHIN A DESIGNATED HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL AREA WITHIN AND SURROUNDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOUNDARIES OF THE SOUTH BELRIDGE, MONUMENT JUNCTION AND CYMRIC OIL FIELDS IN KERN COUNTY NEAR MCKITTRICK, CALIFORNIA

Staff Presenters

Alex Olsen
Rebecca Asami
Jennifer Fuller

Commenters

Jason Meadors, Valley Water
Melissa Thorne, Stoel Rives
Rachel Gray, Central Valley Salinity Coalition
Bradley Kroeker, Starrh Family Farms
Marie McGinnis, Community Member
Debbie Mackey, Central Valley Clean Water Association
J.P. Cativiela, Central Valley Dairy Representative Monitoring Program

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Motioned: Vice Chair Lee Reeder
Seconded: Member Bradford

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Kadara	No
Member Bradford	Yes
Member Baggett	Yes
Vice Chair Lee Reeder	Yes
Chair Avdis	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 5-1-0

AGENDA ITEM 11 – CITY OF MODESTO, CITY OF MODESTO REGIONAL WATER RECYCLING FACILITY, SUTTER CAMPUS AND CITY OF MODESTO REGIONAL WATER RECYCLING FACILITY, JENNING CAMPUS, STANISLAUS COUNTY – CONSIDERATION OF REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. 94-030 AND 99-112

Staff Presenters

Scott Armstrong
Dina Calanchini

Commenters

Jeff Daniels, City of Modesto
Jo Anne Kipps, private citizen

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Motioned: Board Member Baggett
Seconded: Board Member Yang

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Member Bradford	Yes
Member Baggett	Yes
Vice Chair Lee Reeder	Yes
Chair Avdis	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 6-0-0

AGENDA ITEM 12 – O’NEILL BEVERAGES COMPANY, LLC, REEDLEY WINERY AND DISTILLERY, FRESNO COUNTY – CONSIDERATION OF REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. R5-2014-0045

Staff Presenter

Katie Carpenter

Commenter

Jo Anne Kipps, private citizen

MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA ITEM 12 – O’NEILL BEVERAGES COMPANY, LLC, REEDLEY WINERY AND DISTILLERY, FRESNO COUNTY – CONSIDERATION OF REVISED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS ORDER NO. R5-2014-0045

Motioned: Board Member Baggett

Seconded: Board Member Bradford

Roll Call Vote:

Member Yang	Yes
Member Kadara	Yes
Member Bradford	Yes
Member Baggett	Yes
Vice Chair Lee Reeder	Yes
Chair Avdis	Yes

Approved by Roll Call Vote of 6-0-0

AGENDA ITEM 15 – PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCE (PFAS) IN CALIFORNIA GROUNDWATER: A STATEWIDE AND CENTRAL VALLEY PERSPECTIVE. INFORMATION ITEM ONLY.

Staff Presenter

Helen Yu
Daniel Newton

Commenters

None

MEETING ADJOURNED

The Board Meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m. to the 27 February 2026 Meeting in Sacramento.