

KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY

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Notice of BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 26, 2024

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AGENDA

- I. Call to order -12:00 p.m.
- II. Report of the General Counsel
 - A. Authorization for Closed Session regarding:
 - 1. Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (a)):
 - a. Applications Filed for Kern River Water
 - b. California Department of Water Resources v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Contract Extension Amendments
 - c. North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources (COA CEQA)
 - d. California Department of Water Resources v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Authorization of Delta Program Revenue Bonds
 - e. Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District, *et al.* v. Kern County Water Agency, *et al.* (CVC Issues)
 - f. Kern Delta Water District, *et al.* v. Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District (Onyx CEQA)
 - g. Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District v. Buena Vista Water Storage District, et al. (Onyx Water Rights)
 - h. California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, *et al.* v. California State Water Resources Control Board, *et al.*, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2021-80003761 (2021 Order Re Temporary Urgency Change Petition)

- i. California Sportfishing Protection Alliance, et al. v. State Water Resources Control Board, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2021-80003763 (2021 Order Re Shasta Temporary Management Plan)
- California Water Impact Network v. Department of Water j. Resources, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-80003492; North Coast Rivers Alliance v. Department of Water Resources, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-80003491 (Water Management Tools)
- k. Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations, et al. v. Ross,,, E.D. Cal., Case No. 1:20-cv-00431 & California Natural Resources Agency, et al. v. Ross, et al., E.D. Cal., Case No. 1:20-cv-00426 (Long-term Operations)
- 1. State Water Board Cases, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. JCCP 5013 (Water Quality Control Plan Phase 1 Litigation)
- Oroville Dam Cases, Sacramento County Superior Court Case m. No. JCCP 4974
- Long-term State Water Project Operations Cases, Sacramento n. County Superior Court Case No. JCCP 5117
- Temporary Applications Filed for Kern River Water o.
- Bring Back the Kern, et al. v. City of Bakersfield, et al., Kern p. County Superior Court Case No. BCV-22-103220
- Delta Conveyance Project Litigation, Court Case No. 24WM000017 q.
- Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to 2. litigation: (Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(2)):
 - One potential suit a.
- 3. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Government Code section 54956.8):
 - Negotiator: Water Resources Manager a. Property: State Water Project Water Parties: California Department of Water Resources and State Water

Project Contractors

Under Negotiation: Price & Terms

- Public Hearing Proposed Fiscal Year 2025-26 Zones of Benefit Report III.
- IV. Directors' Forum
- V. **Public Comment** Anyone may comment on any subject within Agency jurisdiction whether or not it is on the agenda. Time for such comment may be limited.

VI. Minutes of Board Meetings and Committee Meetings –

Regular Board Meeting

August 22, 2024

- VII. Report of the General Manager
- VIII. Advisory Committee Reports
 - A. Cross Valley Canal Advisory Committee
 - B. Improvement District No. 3 Advisory Committee
 - C. Urban Bakersfield Advisory Committee

IX. Board Committee Reports

The following items will be discussed in detail at the meeting and may result in appropriate action being taken relating to the subject matter (such action may or may not conform to any staff recommended action):

A. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE – Director Cattani, Chair

- 1. Report of the Administrative Operations Manager
- 2. Payment of the Bills
- 3. Financial Report
- 4. Adoption of a Resolution Amending the Conflict of Interest Code

B. POLICY COMMITTEE – Director Milobar, Chair

- 1. Update on Delta Conveyance Activities
- 2. Update on Legislative Activities

C. WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE – Director Fast, Chair

- 1. Report of the Water Resources Manager
- 2. Report on the State Water Contractors Board Meeting
- 3. Report on 2024 State Water Project and Central Valley Project Allocations and Operations
- 4. Water Delivery Operations
 - a. Report on Kern County Water Agency California Aqueduct
 Deliveries
 - b. Update on Water Transfers, Exchanges and Purchases

- c. Authorization to Execute an Article 55 Agreement Between the Department of Water Resources of the State of California and Kern County Water Agency for Conveyance of Lower Tule River Irrigation District and Pixley Irrigation District's Central Valley Project Water, SWP #24019
- d. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency, Santa Clara Valley Water District and Dudley Ridge Water District for a Transfer of Santa Clara Valley Water District's State Water Project 2024 Table A Water to Dudley Ridge Water District and/or Kern County Water Agency, SWP #24022
- e. Ratification of the Agreement for Transfer of San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency's State Water Project 2024 Table A Water to Dudley Ridge Water District and Kern County Water Agency, SWP #24021
- f. Authorization to Execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District and Kern County Water Agency for Transfer and Storage of a Portion of Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District's State Water Project Water in Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District's Water Banking and Exchange Program, SWP #23045-A
- 5. Report on the Kern Non-Districted Lands Authority Meetings

D. WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – Director Averett, Chair

- 1. Report of the Engineering and Groundwater Services Manager
 - a. Update on Groundwater Banking Construction/Maintenance Projects
- 2. Report on 2024 Water Operations
- 3. Update on Pioneer Project Recharge Facilities Basin 11
 - a. Authorization to Execute the Agreement Between the Kern County Water Agency and the Kern Water Bank Authority for Joint Use of Facilities Within the Pioneer Project
 - b. Authorization to Execute the Agreement Between the Kern County Water Agency and the Kern Water Bank Authority for Construction of the Basin 11 Turnouts
 - Authorization to Retain a Construction Management Services
 Consultant for the Basin 1-11 Project and the Low Flow Channel Project
- 4. Report on Kern Water Bank Activities

E. CROSS VALLEY CANAL COMMITTEE – Director Lundquist, Chair

- Report of the Water Resources Manager
 - a. Update on Cross Valley Canal Construction/Maintenance Projects
- 2. Report on Cross Valley Canal Operations and Deliveries
- 3. Authorization to Purchase the Cross Valley Canal Spare Forebay Trashracks
- 4. Authorization to Request Proposals for the Cross Valley Canal Procurement of Pioneer Inlet Stop Logs

F. URBAN BAKERSFIELD COMMITTEE - Director Wulff, Chair

- 1. Report of the Improvement District No. 4 Manager
 - a. Update on Improvement District No. 4 Construction/Maintenance Projects
 - b. Report on the Kern River Groundwater Sustainability Agency Meeting
 - c. Update on the Improvement District No. 4 Water Education Program
- 2. Report on the Improvement District No. 4 2024 Water Supply and Management Plan
- 3. Report on the Henry C. Garnett Water Purification Plant
 - a. Authorization to Repair the Traveling Water Screen at the Calloway Canal Extension
- 4. Authorization to Request Proposals for the Improvement District No. 4
 Procurement of a Motor Control Center for the Oswell Regulating Facility
 Booster Pump Station
- X. Correspondence
- XI. Brief Report on Potential New Business
- XII. Adjournment

DECLARATION OF POSTING: I declare under penalty of perjury, that I am employed by the Kern County Water Agency and that I posted the foregoing Agenda at the Agency Office on September 20, 2024.

Stephanie N. Prince, Board Secretary

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