



# KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY

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## Notice of BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 20, 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)
  - j. California Water Impact Network v. Department of Water 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)
  - l. State Water Board Cases, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. JCCP 5013 (Water Quality Control Plan Phase 1 Litigation)
  - m. Oroville Dam Cases, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. JCCP 4974
  - n. Long-term State Water Project Operations Cases, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. JCCP 5117
  - o. Temporary Applications Filed for Kern River Water
  - p. Bring Back the Kern, *et al.* v. City of Bakersfield, *et al.*, Kern County Superior Court Case No. BCV-22-103220
  - q. Delta Conveyance Project Litigation, Court Case No. 24WM000017
- 2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation: (Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(2)):
    - a. Three potential suits
  - 3. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Government Code section 54956.8):
    - a. Negotiator: Water Resources Manager  
Property: State Water Project Water  
Parties: California Department of Water Resources and State Water Project Contractors  
Under Negotiation: Price & Terms
  - 4. Conference with Legal Counsel – Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code section 54957, subdivision (a))

III. Directors’ Forum

- A. Report from the California Farm Water Coalition Executive Director

IV. 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.

V. Minutes of Board Meetings and Committee Meetings –

Special Board Meeting	October 23, 2024
Regular Board Meeting	October 24, 2024

VI. Report of the General Manager

VII. Advisory Committee Reports

- A. Cross Valley Canal Advisory Committee
- B. Improvement District No. 3 Advisory Committee
- C. Urban Bakersfield Advisory Committee

VIII. 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

**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 2024 State Water Project and Central Valley Project Allocations and Operations
- 3. 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 Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and Kern County Water Agency for Storage of a Portion of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's State Water Project Water Supplies in Irvine Ranch Water District's Groundwater Banking Program, SWP #23012-A
- d. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency and Santa Clara Valley Water District for a Transfer of Santa Clara Valley Water District's State Water Project Article 56 Carryover Water to Kern County Water Agency, SWP#24023
- e. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Dudley Ridge Water District and Kern County Water Agency for Storage of a Portion of Dudley Ridge Water District's State Water Project Table A Water in Semitropic Water Storage District's Water Banking and Exchange Program, SWP#24025
- f. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency, Solano County Water Agency and Dudley Ridge Water District for a Transfer of Solano County Water Agency's State Water Project 2024 Table A Water to Dudley Ridge Water District and Kern County Water Agency, SWP#24027
- g. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency and Solano County Water Agency for a Transfer of Solano County Water Agency's State Water Project Article 56 Carryover Water to Kern County Water Agency, SWP#24028
- h. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District and Dudley Ridge Water District for a Transfer of San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District's State Water Project 2024 Table A Water to Dudley Ridge Water District and Kern County Water Agency, SWP#24029
- i. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency and Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency for a Transfer of Kern County Water Agency's State Water Project Table A Water to Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency, SWP#24030

- j. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency, San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and Dudley Ridge Water District for a Transfer of San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District's State Water Project 2024 Table A Water to Dudley Ridge Water District and Kern County Water Agency, SWP#24032
- k. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency and San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District for a Transfer of San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District's State Water Project Article 56 Carryover Water to the Kern County Water Agency, SWP#24033
- l. Authorization to Execute Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency, San Geronio Pass Water Agency and Dudley Ridge Water District for a Transfer of San Geronio Pass Water Agency's State Water Project 2024 Table A Water to Dudley Ridge Water District and Kern County Water Agency, SWP #24021-A
- 4. Consideration of Providing Advance Credits for Variable Operation, Maintenance, Power and Replacement Charges for Former Table 1 Surplus Entitlement on the Basic Contract Member Until January 2025 Payments
- 5. Authorization to Delay Basic Contract Member Unit January 2025 Payments Per the 90 Day Deferral Option
- 6. Update on the Pioneer Groundwater Sustainability Agency
- 7. Report on the Kern Non-Districted Lands Authority Meeting

**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
- 4. Authorization to Approve the 2025 Pioneer Project Budgets
- 5. Authorization to Approve the 2025 Berrenda Mesa Joint Water Banking Project Budget
- 6. Authorization to Request Proposals for the James Canal Culvert Replacement at Station 35+03
- 7. Report on Kern Water Bank Activities

**E. CROSS VALLEY CANAL COMMITTEE – Director Lundquist, Chair**

1. 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 Approve the 2025 Cross Valley Canal Operations and Maintenance Budget
4. Authorization to Execute Amendment No. 2 to the Kern County Water Agency Contract for the Cross Valley Canal Pools 1 through 6 Sediment Disposal Project

**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
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 Execute a Task Order for Consulting Services for the Treatment Train B Multimedia Filters Programmable Logic Controller Upgrade Project
4. Authorization to Retain an Engineering Consultant for the Hageman Flyover Project

IX. Correspondence

X. Brief Report on Potential New Business

XI. 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 November 14, 2024.

  
Stephanie N. Prince, Board Secretary

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