



KERN COUNTY WATER AGENCY

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Notice of BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

December 18, 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
 - r. San Francisco Baykeeper, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 24WM000185
2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation: (Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (d)(2)):
 - a. Two 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))

3. Appointment of the Kern County Water Agency Representative to the State Water Project Contractors Authority Board of Directors
4. Report on 2024 State Water Project and Central Valley Project Allocations and Operations
5. Water Delivery Operations
 - a. Report on Kern County Water Agency California Aqueduct Deliveries
 - b. Authorization to Approve Routine 2025 Water Transfers, Exchanges and Purchases
 - c. 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
 - d. 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
 - e. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency and Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency for a Transfer of Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency's State Water Project Article 56 Carryover Water to Kern County Water Agency, SWP#24034
 - f. Authorization to Execute an Agreement Among the Department of Water Resources of the State of California, Kern County Water Agency and Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District for a Transfer of Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District's State Water Project Article 56 Carryover Water to Kern County Water Agency, SWP#24036
6. Authorization to Retain an Economics Consultant
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
 - 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
 - c. Authorization to Retain a Construction Management Services Consultant for the Basin 1-11 Project and the Low Flow Channel Project
4. Authorization to Execute Amendment No. 4 to the Project Recovery Operations Plan Regarding Pioneer Project, Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District, and Kern Water Bank Authority Projects
5. Authorization to Execute Amendment No. 2 to the Kern County Water Agency Agreement for an Engineering and Land Surveying Consultant for the South Pioneer Boundary Survey and Record of Survey
6. 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

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. Appointment of Representatives to the Urban Bakersfield Advisory Committee
 - d. Update on the Improvement District No. 4 Water Education Program
2. Water Supply Report
 - a. Report on the Improvement District No. 4 2024 Water Supply and Management Plan

- b. Report on the Improvement District No. 4 2025 Water Supply and Management Plan
- 3. Report on the Henry C. Garnett Water Purification Plant

- IX. Correspondence
- X. Brief Report on Potential New Business
- XI. Adjournment

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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 December 13, 2024.



Stephanie N. Prince, Board Secretary

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