



San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District

Helping Nature Store Our Water

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 – 1:30 PM

Location – 1630 W. Redlands Blvd., Ste. A, Redlands, CA 92373

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CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on any item that is within the jurisdiction of the Board; however, no action may be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by Subdivision (b) Section 54954.2 of the Government Code.

2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Section 54954.2 provides that a legislative body may take action on items of business not appearing on the posted agenda under the following conditions: (1) an emergency situation exists, as defined in Section 54956.5; (2) a need to take immediate action and the need for action came to the attention of the District subsequent to the agenda being posted; and (3) the item was posted for a prior meeting

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GENERAL MANAGER

Betsy Miller

occurring not more than five calendar days prior to the date action is taken on the item, and at the prior meeting, the item was continued to the meeting at which action is being taken.

3. INTRODUCTIONS AND GUEST RECOGNITION

4. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING RELATED TO ADOPTION OF THE GROUNDWATER CHARGE – 10 minutes

Article 1, Section 75560 of the California Water Code requires that a Water Conservation District that proposes to levy a groundwater charge "...shall annually cause to be made an engineering investigation and report upon groundwater conditions of the District." District staff will present the annual Bunker Hill Engineering Investigation Report and review the Groundwater Replenishment Program annual budget. District staff is recommending to the District's Board of Directors that an increase of 5% take place for fiscal year 2025-2026, the proposed unitary groundwater charge is \$18.69 per acre-foot (af) for all groundwater production. The rates proposed pertain to municipal and non-municipal agricultural groundwater production from July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025. District staff will present any written comments received and the board will hear oral comments.

- *Open Public Meeting*
- [2025 Engineering Investigation Report Presentation \(if requested\)](#)
- *Staff Presentation on Groundwater Charge*
- *Groundwater Charge for FY 2025-2026 (M#2101) and Review Draft Resolution No. 632 for Groundwater Charge for 2025-20266*
- *Receive Public Comments or Testimony*
- *Close Public Meeting*

5. AD HOC AUDIT FIRM SELECTION COMMITTEE

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Approval of Board Minutes, March 12, 202525
- b. Approval of Expenditure Report, March 202535

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS /ACTION ITEMS

Committee Reports

A. AD HOC FINANCIAL REPORTS REVIEW VERBAL REPORT

Presenter: Mark E. Falcone, Chair

Recommendation: The chair of the Ad Hoc Financial Reports Review will provide a verbal update of the committee meeting held on April 2.

Action Items

A. UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MARCH 2025 – 5 Minutes (M#2102) 46

Presenter: Angie Quiroga

Recommendation: Review and approve the unaudited financial reports for March 2025.

- B. BIG BEAR WATERMATER – APPOINTMENT OF MR. THOMAS CROWLEY – 5 Minutes (M#2103)53
 Presenter: David Cosgrove
 Recommendation: Appoint Mr. Thomas Crowley P.E., Senior Consulting Engineer with Dopudja & Wells Consulting, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of its current Watermaster Representative, as the District’s representative on the Big Bear Watermaster.

- C. ACWA 2026-2027 PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, AND REGION BOARD MEMBER ELECTION VOTING DELEGATE – 5 Minutes (M#2104) 59
 Presenter: Betsy Miller
 Recommendation: Appoint one Director as the voting delegate and one Director as the voting alternate for the ACWA 2026-2027 President, Vice President, and region board member election.

- D. ACWA JPIA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONCURRING NOMINATION – 5 Minutes (M#2104)61
 Presenter: Betsy Miller
 Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 633 supporting T. Milford Harrison for ACWA JPIA Executive Committee.

- E. GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 STATE & LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FOR LOCAL & TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS – 5 Minutes (M#2106)66
 Presenter: Betsy Miller
 Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 634 authorizing Betsy Miller as the Authorized Agent for the Fiscal Year 2024 State & Local Cybersecurity Grant Program for Local & Tribal Governments.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- A. Environmental Update68
- B. Engineering Update70
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- E. 2025 Board Priorities Progress Report: Q178
- F. Future Agenda Items & Staff Tasks

9. MONTHLY BOARD MEMBER MEETING REPORTS, AND/OR BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- A. Board Member Meeting Reports – 15 minutes.....

10. UPCOMING MEETINGS:

April 16, 2025	Finance and Administration Committee Meeting, 1:30 PM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 237 604 053 18 Passcode: jW7gB3Eo)
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April 21-24, 2025	CSDA's Special District Leadership Academy April 2025, La Quinta (Palm Springs Area) <i>(Board Approval Required)</i>
April 23, 2025	Board of Directors Meeting/Groundwater Public Hearing, 1:30 PM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 253 939 801 058 Passcode: VN2kX7i7)
April 29, 2025	Operations Committee Meeting, 9:30 AM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 257 752 952 865 Passcode: yr9B7tF2)
April 30, 2025	Budget Workshop Meeting, 1:30 PM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 291 915 642 315 Passcode: ES9TN2f9)
May 7, 2025	PERC Policy Committee, 10:00 AM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 266 055 869 210 Passcode: ha7f2aq6)
May 12 – 13, 2025	ACWA JPIA Spring Membership Summit 2025, Monterey, CA <i>(Board Approval Required)</i>
May 13 – 15, 2025	ACWA Spring Conference & Expo 2025, Monterey, CA <i>(Board Approval Required)</i>
May 21, 2025	Board of Directors Meeting, 1:30 PM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 259 588 786 602 Passcode: jJ6kr6Xe)
May 26, 2025	Memorial Day Holiday, Conservation District Closed
June 2, 2025	BTAC Committee Meeting, 1:30 PM at SBVMWD Boardroom (Teams Meeting ID: 259 588 786 602 Passcode: jJ6kr6Xe)
June 11, 2025	Board of Directors Meeting, 1:30 PM at Conservation District (Teams Meeting ID: 285 631 425 054 Passcode: zp6mn3bN)

11. **CLOSED SESSION**

- A. The Board may meet in Closed Session under Government Code section 54956.8, to discuss the terms and conditions of the potential acquisition of Federal properties as part of the Wash Plan land exchange with BLM, consisting of 327.5 acres of the Federal Exchange Parcel, and 90 acres of the Federal Equalization Parcels, in exchange for District property of Assessor Parcel Nos. 0291-151 01, -02, and-05. David Cosgrove and Betsy Miller are the District's negotiators, and John Sullivan is the lead negotiator for BLM.
- B. The Board may meet in closed session under authority of Government Code Section 54956.8 to discuss potential terms and conditions of the acquisition of real property, consisting of San Bernardino County Assessor parcel numbers 0298-251-04, 0298-251-05, and 0302-101-09. The District's negotiators are Betsy Miller and David Cosgrove. The party with whom the District is negotiating is Tom Robinson, Vantage One Real Estate.
- C. The Board may meet in closed session under authority of Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), regarding the District's potential exposure to litigation, in two cases. Under Government Code section 54956.9(e)(2), one case relates to the District's Temporary Agreement to Harmonize Mining and Groundwater Recharge Operations with Cemex Materials Pacific, LLC. The other case falls within Government Code section 54956.9(e)(1).
- D. The Board may meet in Closed Session under Government Code section 54956.8, to discuss the terms and conditions of a proposed restrictive covenant with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and Robertson's Ready Mix on portions of San Bernardino County Assessor Parcel Nos. 0291-131-01 and 0291-115-01. The District's negotiators are Betsy Miller and David B. Cosgrove. The CDFW's negotiators are Eric Chan and Kim Freeburn. Robertson's Ready Mix's negotiators are Bill Taylor and Kim Decker.
- E. The Board may meet in closed session under authority of Government Code Section 54956.8 to discuss potential terms and conditions of the potential sale of a conservation easement over some 20.81 acres of District property, consisting of portions of San Bernardino County Assessor Parcel Nos. 0297-051-01 and 0297-071-08, in favor of the San Bernardino Valley Conservation Trust, and the potential transfer to the District of some 2.4 acres of property consisting of portions of San Bernardino County Assessor Parcel No.1201-401-02. The District's negotiators are Betsy Miller and David Cosgrove. The party with whom the District is negotiating is S-P Deerfield, LLC, Camille Bahri and Andrew Hartzell.

12. **ADJOURN MEETING.** The next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting will be on April 23, 2025, at 1:30 PM, at District Headquarters, 1630 W. Redlands Blvd., Redlands, CA and via Teams/teleconference.