



Meeting Agenda

Meeting of the California Water Commission
Wednesday, September 18, 2024
Beginning at 9:30 a.m.
California Natural Resources Building
715 P Street, First Floor Auditorium
Sacramento, California 95814

Members of the public will be able to observe the meeting and provide public comments in-person at the meeting location or remotely. Remote participation will be conducted via a web-based videoconferencing service called Zoom.

Registration is not required to provide public comments. Members of the public who wish to provide comments remotely during the meeting can do so by joining on [Zoom](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83535615724?pwd=wQxTpmQKB68Vv2Yui4d2PqziOGv3O8.1) (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83535615724?pwd=wQxTpmQKB68Vv2Yui4d2PqziOGv3O8.1>). More detailed instructions on how to use Zoom and participate in the meeting can be found on the [Commission website](#).

Alternatively, members of the public can offer verbal comments by telephone by calling one of the numbers below:

(408) 638-0968
(669) 900-6833
Meeting ID: 835 3561 5724
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1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Closed Session

The Commission may hold a closed session, as authorized by Government Code §11126(e), to confer with and receive advice from its legal counsel regarding potential litigation, and as authorized by Government Code §11126(a).

4. Acknowledgement of California Native American Tribal Governments

This is an opportunity for elected Tribal leaders and formally designated Tribal representatives to identify themselves and to specify the agenda item(s) on which they will comment, as described in the Commission's California Native American Tribal Leadership Comment Policy.

5. Approval of July 17, 2024, Meeting Minutes

6. Executive Officer's Report

The Executive Officer will report on various matters addressed since the previous Commission meeting.

7. Commission Member Reports

This is an opportunity for members to disclose any meetings or conversations related to Commission business and held since the previous Commission meeting.

8. Public Testimony

Although no formal Commission action will be taken, the Commission offers an opportunity for the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the Commission's jurisdiction, but that do not appear on the agenda.

9. Water Storage Investment Program: Projects Update

Commission staff will provide an update on the progress of projects in the Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP).

10. Water Storage Investment Program: Willow Springs Water Bank Conjunctive Use Project Progress Update (Action Item)

Representatives of the Southern California Water Bank Authority, the project proponent for the Willow Springs Water Bank Conjunctive Use Project, will update the Commission on the status of the project and progress toward completing WSIP requirements. Commission members requested this update at the April 2024 Commission workshop.

11. Consideration of Regulations for the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO) (Action Item)

Department of Water Resources (DWR) staff will seek approval for the proposed amendments to the regulations for the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO). On May 15, 2024, the Commission approved the proposed regulation amendments, but now needs to reconsider approval based on required additional changes made during a 15-day notice pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act. DWR must update the MWELO every three years or release findings that a revision would not be useful or effective in increasing the efficiency of landscape water use or the administration of the MWELO.

12. Salton Sea Management Program Update

Staff from the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) and DWR will present an overview of the Salton Sea Management Program's restoration actions, the Salton Sea's nexus to the Colorado River, the State's 10-Year Restoration Plan, and recent federal Inflation Reduction Act investments to accelerate restoration implementation.

13. Results of Outreach and Engagement Survey

Commission staff will present to the Commission the results of two surveys – one directed to the public and the other to Tribes – that sought feedback on the Commission’s work and engagement practices.

14. State Water Project Briefing: Strategic Plan and Operations Update

DWR staff will brief the Commission on the second and fifth goal of the State Water Project (SWP) Strategic Plan and will discuss workforce status, key workforce initiatives, and an update on the California Aqueduct Subsidence Program. The briefing will also include an update on the current operations of the SWP.

15. Consideration of Items for Next California Water Commission Meeting

16. Adjourn

The Commission may break for lunch as needed.

At the discretion of the California Water Commission, all items appearing on this agenda, whether or not expressly listed for action, may be deliberated upon and may be subject to action.

Further information regarding this meeting will be available at <https://cwc.ca.gov/>.

- California Native American Tribal leaders and representatives and members of the public shall be provided an opportunity to address the California Water Commission on any agenda item except closed session items. Comments shall be limited to matters within the Commission’s jurisdiction. Reasonable time limits may be established for comments (Government Code Section 11125.7), and the Commission has established a three-minute limit per comment. California Native American Tribal leaders and representatives who identify themselves during agenda item 7 will be given the opportunity to provide comments prior to public comment on agenda items as outlined in the Commission’s [California Native American Tribal Leadership Comment Policy](#).
- Agenda items may be heard in any order at the discretion of the Commission.
- **Written comments regarding specific items on this agenda will be provided to the Commissioners as part of their meeting packets if they are received by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 16, 2024.** Staff will make every effort to provide comments received after this deadline electronically, but we cannot make any guarantees. Written comments can be submitted to cwc@water.ca.gov. Comments received by the Commission related to meeting agenda items will not be edited and will be posted to the Commission's webpage in their entirety.
- Copies of meeting materials are available on the [Commission website](#). Anyone may request hard copies of these materials; however, the Commission may charge a fee covering the cost of providing such materials.
- The Commission intends to provide a webcast of the meeting. However, if technical difficulties interrupt the webcast at times, the full webcast video will be posted at cwc.ca.gov as soon as possible.

- If you require special accommodations, please call (916) 873-5774 or email cwc@water.ca.gov.
- For further information about items on this agenda please contact Aaron Walters, Aaron.Walters@water.ca.gov or (916) 902-6785.