



Agenda at a Glance

General Information

- The California Water Commission, called the “Commission,” is made up of nine members, called “Commissioners,” who are selected by the Governor and approved by the State Senate to make decisions about some water issues in California.
- The Commission meets regularly, typically every month. The agenda lays out the meeting topics, called “agenda items.”
- For all agenda items, the Commissioners can ask questions of presenters and Commission staff. The public can speak to the Commissioners, called “public comment,” before Commissioners discuss an agenda item. Each public comment is limited to three minutes.
- Tribes are independent governments. State agencies must work directly with Tribes through a government-to-government relationship. Tribes are not the same as members of the public, interest groups, or cultural or ethnic communities. The Commission has a different process for [Tribal leadership comment](#).

Agenda

1. Call to Order

- The leader of the meeting, called the “Chair,” will start the meeting. The Chair will give instructions on how people can make comments on topics covered in the meeting.

2. Roll Call

- The Chair will take attendance, called “roll call,” to determine which Commissioners are present or absent for the meeting.

3. Acknowledgement of California Native American Tribal Governments

- The Chair will invite Tribal leaders, or their representatives, to identify themselves and the agenda on which item they plan to comment.

4. Approval of April 15, 2026, Meeting Minutes

- The Chair will ask the Commissioners to approve the meeting notes, called “meeting minutes,” from the previous meeting. They can correct mistakes in the minutes before they approve them.

5. Executive Officer's Report

- The Executive Officer will give an update on what has happened since the last Commission meeting.

6. Commission Member Reports

- The Chair will ask the Commissioners to share if they had any meetings or conversations related to the Commission's business.

7. Public Testimony

- The Chair will ask for public comment on topics that are relevant to the Commission, but not on the current agenda.

8. Water Storage Investment Program: Quarterly Update on Projects

- The [Water Storage Investment Program](#), called "WSIP," funds the public benefits of water storage projects. "Public benefits" are the ways in which water storage projects provide benefits to Californians broadly, such as cleaner water, new recreational opportunities, and improvements to the land and water fish and wildlife need to survive.
- Commission staff will provide new information about the projects that are part of WSIP. Background information about the projects that are part of WSIP is available [at this link](#), on the right side of the webpage.
- This is an informational item, important to anyone interested in the progress of the projects in WSIP.

9. Water Storage Investment Program: Chino Basin Program Update

- The Chino Basin Program is a part of the WSIP. The project is located in San Bernardino County and will store treated water underground and then use that water when it is needed at other times. This is called a conjunctive use project.
- At this meeting, representatives of the Chino Basin Program will provide an update to the Commission on the project's progress.
- This is an informational item, important to anyone interested in WSIP and specifically the Chino Basin Program.

10. State Water Project Briefing: Safety, Operations, and Energy Update

- The [State Water Project](#), called "SWP," is a system of canals, pipelines, reservoirs, and hydroelectric power facilities that stores and delivers water throughout the state. It is managed and operated by the Department of Water Resources, called "DWR."

- Staff from DWR will talk about how they are keeping SWP employees safe, and how they are using clean energy in their work.
- Staff from the State Water Contractors, called “SWC,” will also talk about their energy priorities.
- This is an informational item, important to anyone interested in how DWR is managing the SWP. Every year, the Commission receives presentations from DWR about the SWP, then reports its findings and recommendations to DWR and the California Legislature.

11. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: Implementation Update

- In 2014, voters in California passed the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, called “SGMA,” which is a law that makes sure we use the water that is stored underground, called “groundwater”, in a way that we don’t run out of it now or in the future.
- DWR staff will provide new information on three SGMA projects.
- The first update will be on the California Groundwater Conditions Report (or Bulletin 118), which is report released every six months on groundwater information collected across the State.
- The second update will be on groundwater trading. People in some parts of the State have limits for how much water they are allowed to pump out of the ground. Groundwater trading allows people who have reached their limit of groundwater pumping to buy the ability to pump more groundwater from other people who have extra groundwater.
- DWR staff will also share information on the [Land Subsidence Best Management Practices](#) document, which was finalized on January 21, 2026. [Subsidence](#), or the sinking of land, has occurred in California for nearly one hundred years. When groundwater is pumped out of the ground, it causes the soil to collapse, and the land sinks (subsides). Subsidence can damage homes, roads, bridges, levees, wells, irrigation canals, and water delivery systems. Repairing these damages could cost billions of dollars.
- This is an informational item, important to anyone interested in the SGMA and groundwater conditions in California.

12. Legislative Update

- DWR tracks proposed water-related laws, called “legislation,” that the California government is considering making into laws.

- DWR staff will present to the Commission on current water-related legislation being tracked by DWR. Commissioners will have an opportunity to ask questions and discuss the information presented.
- This is an informational item and is relevant to anyone that is interested in water-related legislation. The Commission does not have authority to take any action on the bills being presented.

13. Consideration of Items for Next California Water Commission Meeting

- The Chair will ask if anyone has ideas for agenda items at the next meeting.

14. Adjourn

- The Chair will end the meeting.