

**EAST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**



**The Agenda of the Regular Meeting
of the Board of Directors of
East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency**

Thursday, April 24, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.

**CORTEZ HALL
12937 North Cortez
Avenue Turlock,
California 95380**

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BOARD MEMBERS

Ward Burroughs, Eastside Water District Chairman
Tim Johnson, Eastside Water District Alternate and Treasurer
Dirk Ulrich, Ballico-Cortez Water District and Vice Chairman
Dennis Yotsuya, Ballico Cortez Water District Alternate
Lloyd Pareira, Merced County
Lacey McBride, Merced County Alternate
Hicham ElTal, Merced Irrigation District
Matt Beaman, Merced Irrigation District
Alternate
Vito Chiesa, Stanislaus County
Christy McKinnon, Stanislaus County Alternate

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the Public will be given up to three minutes (3 minutes) to address the Board on any item not on the agenda, but within the subject matter of the Board's jurisdiction. The Board is prohibited from taking action on public comments and as appropriate, matters raised during this period may be referred to appropriate parties or added to the agenda of an upcoming Board meeting (Gov. Code § 54954.3(a)).

Members of the public may directly address the Board on any item of interest to the public within the Board subject matter before or during the Board consideration of the item. Members of the Public will be given up to three minutes (3 minutes).

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Action to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2025 East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Regular Board Meeting and the April 8, 2025 East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Proposition 218 Groundwater Use Fee Public Hearing and Special Board Meeting.
- b. Action to accept the Treasurer's Report and monthly budget report.
- c. Action to approve the payment of the April 2025 bills, including MLRP grant bills as presented.
- d. Adopt the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency 2023-2024 Fiscal Audit.
- e. Staff recommends rescheduling the time of the May 22, 2025 board meeting to begin at 10:30 am, instead of 9:00 am following the Eastside Water District board meeting.

4. GROUNDWATER USE FEE

Staff will provide a recap of the April 8, 2025 Groundwater Use Fee Public Hearing, and an update regarding next steps for adoption of a resolution authorizing the invoicing and collection of the ETSGSA Groundwater Use Fees for Projects and Management Actions after the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year budget is adopted, which is currently scheduled for the May 2025 Board meeting.

5. PROCUREMENT POLICY

Staff will provide an overview of a revised draft Procurement Policy based on comments received from the Board and additional considerations. Potential action by the Board to adopt the revised draft Procurement Policy.

6. POLICIES, RULES, AND REGULATIONS SUPPORTING THE PUMPING MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK AND PROJECT INCENTIVE AGREEMENTS

Update regarding Phase 2 of Rules & Regulations development, including credits and transfers, and regarding related policies, rules and regulations for project prioritization and development of project incentive agreements.

7. STATUS UPDATE REGARDING MLRP PILOT PROJECTS

Update regarding the progress and status of four pilot projects, and the use of the pilot project development process to inform development of project policies, rules and regulations. Update regarding next steps and schedules.

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8. PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF PROPOSED FY25/26 SGMA OPERATIONAL AND PROJECT & MANAGEMENT ACTIONS BUDGETS

Presentation and discussion of the draft Fiscal Year 25/26 GSA:

- a. Operations Budget; and
- b. Projects and Management Actions Budget.

9. PROJECT UPDATES

Updates regarding the GSP Agricultural Recharge Project (TID Replenishment Water) project and the Dry Creek/MID projects.

10. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 case).

11. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (GSP) IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING AND UPDATES

At this time, Board members will discuss and may take action on other GSP matters of concern, including, but not necessarily limited to, the following:

- a. Update regarding the Groundwater Monitoring Program.
- b. Tracking of Grant Pursuits.
- c. Well permit consistency determinations.
- d. Key communications with stakeholders, agencies, project partners and others.

12. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – BAKER MANOCK & JENSEN

Lauren Layne/Kaitlin Bursey will provide a report to the board on legal items that could affect the agency and its member entities. Discussion item only.

13. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Board Members may provide a brief report on notable topics of interest. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the Legislative Body.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled board meeting is the Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, May 22, 2025, 9:00 a.m. at Cortez Hall.

Any materials related to items on this agenda distributed to the Board of Directors of the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority before the public meeting is available for inspection by contacting the Board Secretary at 209.626.5523 or kareneastsidewater@att.net.

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