

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



**The Agenda of the Proposition 218 Public Hearing and Special Meeting
of the Board of Directors of
East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency**

Tuesday, April 8, 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

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)).

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AGENDA ITEMS

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. PROPOSITION 218 PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED GROUNDWATER USE FEE

The Board Chairman will open the Public Hearing and receive comments from the public regarding the proposed Groundwater Use Fee. ETSGSA Consultants will provide an overview of the proposed Groundwater Use Fee. Protests must be submitted by the close of the public hearing to be tabulated.

4. PRESENTATION OF OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED GROUNDWATER USE FEE AND ETSGSA RESPONSES PURSUANT TO AB 2257

ETSGSA consultants will provide an overview of objections submitted by landowners pursuant to AB 2257, if any, and will present ETSGSA responses, if any, for the Board's consideration. The Board shall exercise its discretion to determine whether the written objections, if any, and ETSGSA's responses warrant clarifications to the proposed fee, a reduction in the proposed fee, further review before making a determination on whether clarification or reduction is needed, or whether to proceed with the public hearing.

5. TABULATION OF THE PROPOSITION 218 GROUNDWATER USE FEE PROTESTS

Following the close of the public input portion of the hearing, SCI Consulting Group will unseal and tabulate the protests in public view. Pursuant to Gov. Code section 53755 (b), only one protest will be counted per parcel. ETSGSA may, if needed, continue the tabulation to a public hearing on a later date, in compliance with the Brown Act.

6. ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROTEST TABULATION RESULTS

Following tabulation of the protests received by ETSGSA and the close of the public hearing, the Board Chairman will announce the tabulation results.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled board meeting is on Thursday, April 24, 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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