TURLOCK GROUNDWATER

East Turlock Subbasin GSA

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

Thursday, February 26, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.

CORTEZ HALL
12937 North Cortez Avenue Turlock, California 95380

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Sarah Woolf, Eastside Water District and ETSGSA Chair
Jeanne Zolezzi, Eastside Water District Alternate
Dirk Ulrich, Ballico-Cortez Water District and ETSGSA Vice Chair
Alberto Flores, Ballico-Cortez Water District Alternate
Lloyd Pareira, Merced County
Lacey McBride, Merced County Alternate
Matthew Beaman, Merced Irrigation District
Bryan Kelly, Merced Irrigation District Alternate
Vito Chiesa, Stanislaus County
Christy McKinnon, Stanislaus County Alternate and ETSGSA Treasurer

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. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Any Director who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the agenda item and recuse himself from discussing and voting on the matter (FPPC § 87105).

4. CONSENT AGENDA (5 minutes)

a. Action to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2026, East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Special Board Meeting.
b. Action to accept the Treasurer's Report and monthly budget report.
c. Action to approve the payment of the February 2026 bills, including MLRP grant bills as presented.

5. PRESENTATION BY JOINT ETSGSA/WTSGSA GSP IMPLEMENTATION CONSULTANT (30 minutes)

Presentation regarding implementation of GSP Implementation Support Activities, including:

a. Progress to date;
b. Review of draft Annual Report contents;
c. Review of Fall 2025 (WY 2026) groundwater monitoring results; and
d. Three-month look ahead.

6. GROUNDWATER USE FEE UPDATE (30 minutes)

Update regarding implementation of the Groundwater Use Fee Program for the 2025 Reporting Period, including:

a. Outcome of surface water, fallowing, cover cropping, and non-irrigation groundwater extraction reporting and self-reported fallowing validation;
b. Groundwater Accounting Platform verification and groundwater accounting closeout;
c. Approach to preparation of Groundwater Account Statements and preparation of True Up Invoices, and the anticipated invoicing schedule;
d. Review of cover letter, account statement, and invoice formats and possible direction regarding implementation; and
e. Review and possible action to approve the proposed process for handling appeals and requests for modifications.

7. INCENTIVIZED LAND FALLOWING PROGRAM (10 minutes)

a. Review of final recommendations for approved applications, program funding costs, and estimated yields.
b. Review of draft Incentivized Fallowing Program Agreement template.
c. Possible action to authorize General Manager to execute IFP Agreements with participating landowners (as detailed in the staff report).

8. MULTI-BENEFIT LAND REPURPOSING PROGRAM (20 minutes)

a. Update regarding the status of solicitation of applications for MLRP projects.
b. Update and discussion regarding scoring process for MLRP project applications.
C. Update, discussion, and possible action regarding approval of MLRP agreements between ETSGSA and pilot project landowners.

9. UPDATE ON OTHER GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (GSP) IMPLEMENTATION MATTERS (5 minutes)

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

a. Update on Special Projects and Project Technical Support
b. Update of Groundwater Monitoring Program
c. Well permit consistency determinations
d. Help requests
e. Parcel reclassifications
f. Other matters

10. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – BAKER MANOCK & JENSEN (5 minutes)

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

11. 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).

12. 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.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled board meeting is the Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at Cortez Hall.

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