

# EASTSIDE WATER DISTRICT

## EASTSIDE WATER DISTRICT E-NEWS FEBRUARY 2026

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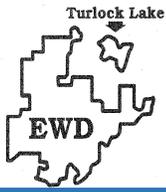
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At the February 19, 2026, Eastside Water District board meeting, we discussed:

- ❖ The board welcomed a new member, Jon Beck. Jon has been farming in Stanislaus, San Joaquín and Merced counties for over twenty years. He has been involved in groundwater recharge projects.
- ❖ Projects:
  - Davids Engineering is continuing to work on the 60% design of a Pipeline to deliver TID Replenishment Water to Sand Creek and Mustang Creek areas from the TID Main Canal to help address the groundwater water levels in ETSGSA. Turlock Irrigation District, Merced County and Stanislaus County are reviewing the maps and providing input. *(see map on page 2)*
  - A new Landowner Infrastructure Project on the Highline Canal started this week. *(see photo below)*
- ❖ Merced Irrigation District
  - 3 water level samplings along Dry Creek have been taken this winter during storm events. Staff is in the process of obtaining a permit from the County to install a gaging station for Dry Creek on the Oakdale bridge.
  - Dry Creek landowners will be meeting March 5.
- ❖ Other Key Topics involving the ETS GSA-
  - Staff continues to assist landowners with Accounting Platform support. The “True Up” invoices, will be coming out in the mail in early March 2026. Four walk-in assistance sessions are set to help landowners. 2 in March and 2 in April. The calendar is located on the next page with dates and times.
  - Applications have been submitted and are being reviewed for the Incentivized Fallowing Program.
  - MLRP Applications are due on February 28, 2026.
  - Stay informed! The board members encouraged landowners in Eastside Water District to attend the ETS GSA board meetings regularly and provide input.
  - Find out more about the GSA at <https://www.turlockgroundwater.org>

If you want to receive agendas for Eastside Water District and the ETS GSA and other updates, email Karen Whipp at [kareneastsidewater@att.net](mailto:kareneastsidewater@att.net). to be added to our email list. Be sure to visit the EWD website at [eastsidewaterdistrict.com](http://eastsidewaterdistrict.com) for additional information.





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## Important Dates and Upcoming Meetings

### ETS GSA Board Meeting

February 26, 9:00 am  
Cortez Hall

### Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 8

### ETS GSA GW Use Fee True Up Assistance

March 10, 9:00 am to 12:00 p.m.  
Cortez Hall

### ETS GSA TAC Meeting

March 10, 12:00 p.m.  
Cortez Hall

### St. Patrick's Day

March 17

### Eastside Water District Board Meeting

March 19, 9:00 a.m.  
Cortez Hall

### ETS GSA Board Meeting

March 26, 9:00 am  
Cortez Hall

### ETS GSA GW Use Fee True Up Assistance

March 26, 12:00 p.m.– 3:00 p.m.  
Cortez Hall

