

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

Thursday, October 22, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.

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

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BOARD MEMBERS

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).)

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3. **POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

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

Legal counsel to provide an overview of potential conflicts of interest considerations involving landowner-Board members, including applicable legal requirements and procedures for identifying and addressing conflicts.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board will be advised regarding any key correspondence addressed to ETSGSA.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA (5 minutes)**

- a. Action to approve the minutes for the September 24, 2026, East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency ("ETSGSA") Regular Board Meeting and October 1, 2026 ETSGSA Special Board Meeting.
- b. Action to accept the Treasurer's Report and monthly budget report.
- c. Action to approve the payment of the October 2026 bills, including MLRP grant bills as presented.
- d. The November ETSGSA board meeting is scheduled for Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24, 2026, and the December meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 24, 2026. Staff recommends rescheduling the November ETSGSA board meeting for Thursday, November 19, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. and the December ETSGSA board meeting for Thursday, December 17, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. following the Eastside Water District Board meetings.
- e. Designate one Voting Member from ETSGSA to vote electronically in next year's election for ACWA's Board Officers and region boards for the 2028-'29 term.
- f. Adopt Resolution 2026-07 Supporting ACWA's Vision for Our Water Future.

6. **GROUNDWATER USE FEE UPDATE (5 minutes)**

- a. Update on the status of RP2025 True Up Invoices, including modified invoices, notices of non-payment and help requests.
- b. Update regarding planning for RP2026 Water Account Statements and Invoices.

7. **MULTI-BENEFIT LAND REPURPOSING PROGRAM (20 minutes)**

- a. Update regarding the status of RP 2025 MLRP pilot projects and non-pilot projects.
- b. Discussion and potential action regarding plans and strategies for complying with MLRP grant requirements for direct benefits to disadvantaged communities.
- c. Discussion and potential action to adopt MLRP contract amendments to clarify scopes of work prior to execution of agreements by the General Manager (attached).

8. **DEDICATION OF EASEMENT FOR GROUNDWATER MONITORING ACTIVITIES AT MONITORING WELL DWR-02 (5 minutes)**

Review and potential action to authorize the General Manager to sign an Irrevocable Offer of Dedication of Easement with Foster Dairy Farms to monitor, maintain and abandon monitoring well DWR-02.

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9. PROJECT UPDATES (10 minutes)

- a. Update regarding the Dry Creek/MID projects.
- b. Update regarding coordination between the GSP Agricultural Recharge Project and implementation of MLRP projects.
- c. Update regarding the gauging station on Dry Creek at Oakdale Road.
- d. Discussion and potential action to authorize the General Manager to sign a Professional Services Agreement with Davids Engineering and execute a Contract Work Authorization to install stream flow gauging equipment on Sand Creek and Mustang Creek, subject to legal review (attached).

10. CLOSED SESSION (20 minutes)

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Gov. Code section 54957(b)(1))
Titles: General Manager and Water Resources Analyst.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGEMENT PLANNING (40 minutes)

- a. Update on funding for General Manager and Water Resources Analyst positions.
- b. Recommendation from Ad Hoc Committee, discussion, and possible action to hire Water Resources Analyst employee, contingent on pre-employment verifications and legal review.

12. OTHER GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (GSP) IMPLEMENTATION MATTERS (5-10 minutes)

At this time Board members may discuss and take action on other GSP matters of concern, potentially including but not limited to the following (Updates/Status Reports provided in Agenda Packet, as applicable):

- a. Final RP2025 groundwater accounting
- b. Current and anticipated updates to the Groundwater Accounting Platform (GAP)
- c. Technical Assistance and Help Desk Support
- d. Incentivized Fallowing Program
- e. Update of Groundwater and Subsidence Monitoring Program
- f. Current grant opportunities
- g. Staff augmentation, capacity development, and management planning
- h. Groundwater accounting program implementation
- i. Website migration

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

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

14. 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.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The next scheduled board meeting is the Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2026, at 11:00 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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