



Board of Directors

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NOTICE OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUGUST 25, 2026 5:00 P.M. DISTRICT BOARD ROOM

AGENDA

"Pursuant to Government Code section § 54957.5, any materials relating to an open session item on this agenda, distributed to the Board of Directors after the distribution of the agenda packet, will be made available for public inspection at the time of distribution at the following location: West Kern Water District, 800 Kern Street, Taft, CA."

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. FLAG SALUTE
- III. ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM
- IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment to address any subject of District business which may not be on the Agenda. Comments may be limited to three (3) minutes per person.

- VI. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING:
APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda is to be approved as presented, subject to review by the Board. The Board may change the order in which agenda items are discussed to accommodate scheduling or other needs of the Board, the public or meeting participants. Members of the public are encouraged to arrive at the commencement of the meeting to ensure that they are present for Board discussion of all items in which they are interested. The Board may add items to the agenda only as provided by Government Code section 54954.2.

- VII. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING:
APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. July 28, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
- B. August 12, 2026 Special Board Meeting

- VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Board or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Board concerning the item before action is taken.

- i. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Training Report
- ii. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Operations Review
- iii. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Cash Flow for July, 2026
- iv. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Capital Improvements Budget Comparison & Equipment Procurement
- v. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Safety Meeting and Project Report
- vi. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Position Vacancies

IX. DISCUSSION & APPROVAL OF ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

**A. WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE.....08/18/26
(Wells, Bravo)**

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Water Supply Report
2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
General Manager Water Report
3. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Golden Mussel Update

**B. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE.....08/17/26
(Jameson, Bravo)**

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Amendment No. 2 to Contract Between Kern County Water Agency and
Its Member Units for Preliminary Planning and Design Costs Related to a
Potential Delta Conveyance Project
2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Resolution No. 26-06 Resolution of The Board of
Directors of West Kern Water District for Adoption Of
District Years of Service Recognition Program Policy
Supersedes Resolution 16-11
(Roll Call)

C. FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.....08/19/26
(Jameson, Niblett)

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Water Service Extension Agreement, Parcel Mao No. 12559

D. FINANCE COMMITTEE.....08/18/26
(Morris, Niblett)

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Accounts Payable for August 2026
2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
South Taft Water System Improvements
Phase III-V, Job 24-1300 - Proposed Budget Increase

E. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.....08/17/26
(Wells, Morris)

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Amendments and Revisions to the District Personnel
Manual Sections:
 - a. 8.10.4 Whistleblower and Anti-retaliation
 - b. 13.04 Water Distribution and Water Treatment Certifications
 - c. Language Revisions based upon changes in law

XI. ISSUES OF CONCERN

- A. AUGUST 2026 MEETING CALENDAR
Review meeting calendar
- B. POTENTIAL ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED AT NEXT BOARD MEETING
Determination of potential topics to be addressed at next meeting
- C. BOARD OF DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS
Directors may report on their activities during the month
- D. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
General Manager may give a report on current issues
- E. MANAGEMENT STAFF REPORT
Oral Presentation may be made
- F. KERN NON-DISTRICTED LAND AUTHORITY
General Manager will report on current issues
- G. ATTORNEY REPORT
Oral Presentation may be made

XII. INFORMATION ITEM

No items to discuss.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Government Code, § 54956.9(d)(1)
Conference with Legal Counsel
Existing Litigation: 3 Cases
 - A. *Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD et al. v. KCWA et. al.;*
Kern County Superior Court Case No. BCV-21-10418
 - B. *Amaya v. City of Taft, et. al.;*
Kern County Superior Court Case no. BCV-24-103650
 - C. *San Juan Water District, et al. vs State Water Resources Control Board*
Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 25WM000238
2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Government Code, § 54956.9(d)(4)
Conference with Legal Counsel
Potential Litigation: 1 Case
3. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Government Code, § 54956.8
Conference with Real Property Negotiator
Description of Property: SWP Supplies / Facilities
Agency Negotiator: Greg A. Hammett, General Manager
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Participation
4. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Government Code, § 54957
Public Employee Appointment
Title: General Manager

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT
(Government Code Section 54953.2)

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