



REGULAR BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 20, 2026



**STOCKTON
EAST WATER
DISTRICT**

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MEETING NOTICE

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT WILL BE HELD AT 12:30 P.M., TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2026 AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE, 6767 EAST MAIN STREET STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA 95215

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AGENDA

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I. Agenda Planning/Upcoming Events

1. Agricultural Operations Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m.,
01/21/26
2. Municipal Operations Committee Meeting, 12:30 p.m.,
01/21/26
3. San Joaquin County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Advisory Water Commission Meeting, 1:00 p.m.,
01/21/26 17
This meeting has been cancelled
4. KPI Ad Hoc Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 01/22/26

J. Closed Session

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Potential exposure to litigation – Government Code Section 54956.9 – one case
2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - Personnel Government Code 54957

K. Stockton East Water District Board of Directors Tour

1. Eilers Property
2. Bellota Weir Project
3. 8-Mile Dam

L. Adjournment

Certification of Posting

I hereby certify that on January 15, 2026 I posted a copy of the foregoing agenda in the outside display case at the District Office, 6767 East Main Street, Stockton, California, said time being at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Stockton East Water District (Government Code Section 54954.2).
Executed at Stockton, California on January 15, 2026.



Priya Ram, Director of Finance & Administration
Stockton East Water District

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THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT WAS HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE
6767 EAST MAIN STREET, STOCKTON, CA
ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2026, AT 12:30 P.M.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

President McGurk called the regular meeting to order at 12:30 p.m., Manager Hopkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call at the District were Directors Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti and Watkins. Also present were Manager Hopkins, Assistant Manager Vega, Director of Finance and Administration Ram, Maintenance & Construction Manager Higare, Water Operations Manager Wunderlich, Water Supply Manager Donis, Administrative Assistant Rodriguez, and Legal Counsel Zolezzi.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)

C. PUBLIC COMMENT

President McGurk wished Director Sanguinetti a Happy Birthday.

D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEM

1. Minutes 01/06/26 Regular Board Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the January 6, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Warrants

- a. Fund 68 – Municipal & Industrial Groundwater Fund
- b. Fund 70 – Administration Fund
- c. Fund 71 – Water Supply Fund
- d. Fund 89 – Fish Passage Improvement Fund
- e. Fund 91 – Vehicle Fund
- f. Fund 94 – Municipal & Industrial Fund
- g. Payroll
- h. Summary
- i. Short Names/Acronym List
- j. SEWD Vehicles & Heavy Equipment

Director Atkins inquired about the expenses and staff provided responses to the questions.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve January 13, 2026, Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins

Nays: None

Abstain: None
Absent: None

3. Stockton East Water District – Consider bonus for General Manager
Director McGurk moved this item to closed session for further discussion.

A motion was moved and seconded to move item D-3 to follow closed session, as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Atkins, Hansen, McGurk, Nakaue, Panizza, Sanguinetti, Watkins
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. San Joaquin County and Delta Water Quality Coalition Steering Committee Meeting, 01/12/26
Director Atkins attended the San Joaquin County and Delta Water Quality Coalition Steering Committee Meeting. Director Atkins reported the financial report indicates the coalition is in good standing, with 100% of membership dues collected and approximately \$2 million in reserves available to help offset potential future cost increases. The coalition continues to encourage greater use of the online portal for submitting nitrogen management and sediment removal plans, as only about 40% of growers are currently using it. Director Atkins reported significant pesticide exceedances for pyrethroids were observed in September and October 2025, including an unusually high reading of approximately 20 at Union Island Drain in September, compared to the typical range of 2 to 3. Director Atkins also reported other updates, including discussion of potential cost increases related to CV-SALTS and plans for a representative to lobby in Washington, D.C. to seek additional funding for various programs.

G. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

1. Water Supply Report as of 01/06/26
Manager Hopkins provided a handout of the Water Supply Report for information only that included storage, release, and production data collected from various sources as of midnight last night.

There is 181,120 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 448 cfs. There is 1,751,923 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current releases are set at 42 cfs. The current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River is set at 87 cfs and release to all water users is set at 209 cfs. There are 0 irrigators on New Hogan, 0 on New Melones and 0 out of District. The District Water Treatment Plant (WTP) is currently processing 30 mgd. North Stockton is currently utilizing 13 mgd. South Stockton is currently using 7 mgd. Cal Water is currently utilizing 10 mgd. The City of Stockton WTP is currently processing 0 mgd. Extraction Well #1 extracted 2580 GPM and Extraction Well #2 extracted 3240 GPM.

2. Information Items: F-2a
3. Report on General Manager Activities
 - a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update
Manager Hopkins reported that utility power to the high service was lost; however, the generators engaged immediately following the outage. Staff is coordinating with PG&E to de-energize the system, bypass the faulty switch, re-energize the service, and subsequently replace the recloser.

Manager Hopkins reported that staff is inspecting the Tunnel Inlet gates while Goodwin Dam is being drained to accommodate work being performed by Tri-Dam. Manager Hopkins also reported following the inspection, staff determined the gates can be repaired without the need for a significant project.

Manager Hopkins reported the Marciano Lot Line Adjustment had missing steps, which the surveyor is currently completing. Once finalized, the 15-day closing period will begin, and all parties are in alignment.

Manager Hopkins reported the consultant from Woodard & Curran requested the 2025 annual GSP data, and that staff has begun data collection upon receipt of the forwarded request.

Manager Hopkins reported the equipment use for 01/05/26.

4. Stockton East Water District Operations & Water Supply Update
Water Operations Manager Wunderlich presented the Board with a Treatment Plant Update. Water Operations Manager Wunderlich reported, for the month of December, the WTP collected 98 samples and there were 0 samples that tested positive for Coliform and E.coli. The rain totals for the past 30 days were 1.67 inches and the surface water production for the Treatment Plant was 2,878 AF and City of Stockton WTP was 720 AF. The groundwater production for Stockton East Water District was 190 AF, California Water Services was 109 AF and City of Stockton was 0 AF. Lastly, the TTHM average is 40 ppb and free chlorine average was 1.05 ppm.

Water Supply Manager Donis presented the Board with a Water Supply Update. Water Supply Manager Donis reported the New Melones Reservoir 2026 year to date is 1,670 AF and calendar year 2025 79,010 AF. New Hogan Lake total release is 97,928 AF and 2025 flood control was 5,970 AF. Water Supply Manager Donis also reported an update on the groundwater monitoring wells. One year difference for the eleven well average were up 4.4 FT and total Water Treatment Plant percolation was 9,090 AF.

G. DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer – Maharaja Indian Cuisine, 01/08/26
Director Atkins, Director Watkins and Manager Hopkins attended the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Monthly Mixer – Maharaja Indian Cuisine. Director Atkins reported the event was a great success and noted that City Mayor Fugazi and members of the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors were also in attendance.

H. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District Letter, 12/31/25
Manager Hopkins presented the Board with a letter from Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District Letter.
2. USBR Early Notice 2025 Water Condition Letter, 01/07/26
Manager Hopkins presented the Board with a letter received from USBR and reported that USBR is conducting internal discussions to determine whether the District's water allocation is 0 AF or if the District is not to exceed 49,000 AF.

I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Board Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 01/14/26
2. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federations Monthly Water Committee Meeting, 4:30 p.m., 01/14/26
3. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 01/16/26
4. District Holiday – Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday – 01/19/26
5. Stockton East Water District Board of Directors Tour, 12:30 p.m., 01/20/26

J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Potential exposure to litigation – Government Code Section 54956.9 – one case
2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Personnel Government Code 54957 – General Manager

President McGurk adjourned the meeting to closed session at 12:59 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 2:55 p.m., with no reportable action.

K. ADJOURNMENT

President McGurk adjourned the meeting at 2:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin M. Hopkins
General Manager

**STOCKTON EAST WATER DISTRICT
INVOICES FOR BOARD PACKAGE
CALPERS EFT REQUEST
JANUARY 20, 2026**

Vendor name	District Fund#	Account #	Description	Amount	Invoice No.
1 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	70	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 01/16/26-Admin	7,697.16	01/16/26 1245106351
			Total Fund 70 Admin	\$ 7,697.16	
2 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	71	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 01/16/26-WS-NM	6,353.67	01/16/26 1245106351
3 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	71	10-5058-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 01/16/26-WS-NH	2,163.69	01/16/26 1245106351
			Total Fund 71 Water Supply	\$ 8,517.36	
4 CA Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS)	94	10-5049-0	Retirement Contributions for Payroll 01/16/26-M&I	23,217.20	01/16/26 1245106351
			Total Fund 94 Municipal & Industrial	\$ 23,217.20	
Grand Total for Electronic Funds Transfer Request on RBM 01/20/26				\$ 39,431.72	

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Water Advisory Committee
San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation
January 14th, 2026, 4:30 pm SJFB Office & via Zoom

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Meeting ID: 849 6923 3891

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Meeting Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 12th, 2025
(Attachment 1)
3. DISTRICT REPORTS:
 - a) East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD)
 - b) North San Joaquin Water Conservation District (NSJWCD)
 - c) Central Delta
 - d) South Delta
 - e) Reclamation Districts
 - f) Woodbridge Irrigation District (WID)
 - g) Stockton East Water District (SEWD)
 - h) Oakdale Irrigation District (OID)
 - i) South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID)
 - j) Banta-Carbona Irrigation District (BCID)
 - k) Central San Joaquin Water Conservation District (CSJWCD)
 - l) San Joaquin County & Delta Water Quality Coalition (SJCDWQC)
(Attachment 2)
 - m) San Joaquin County (SJC)
 - n) Delta Caucus
 - o) CAFB
4. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a.
5. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a.
6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS
 - a.

Next meeting:

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Weekly Water Report	As of:	As of:
	January 13, 2026	January 20, 2026
New Hogan (NHG) TOC	158,651	AF
Storage:	181,120	AF
Net Storage Change:	-465	AF
Inflow:	268	CFS
Release:	448	CFS
New Melones (NML) Allocation		AF
Storage:	1,751,923	AF
Net Storage change:	+18,735	AF
Inflow:	875	CFS
Release:	42	CFS
Source: CDEC Daily Reports		

Goodwin Diversion (GDW)		
Inflow (Tulloch Dam):	87	CFS
Release to Stanislaus River (S-98):	209	CFS
Release to OID (JT Main):	0	CFS
Release to SSJID (SO Main):	0	CFS
Release to SEWD & CSJWCD:	<u>0</u>	CFS
Total Release	209	CFS
Source: Tri-Dam Operations Daily Report		

Farmington Dam (FRM)		
Diverted to SEWD:	0	CFS
Diverted to CSJWCD:	0	CFS

Surface Water Used		
Irrigators on New Hogan:	0	
Irrigators on New Melones:	0	
Out-Of-District Irrigators:	0	
DJWWTP Production:	30	MGD
North Stockton:	13	MGD
South Stockton:	7	MGD
Cal Water:	10	MGD
City of Stockton DWSP Production:	0	MGD

District Ground Water Extraction		
74-01	0	GPM
74-02	0	GPM
North	0	GPM
South	0	GPM
Extraction Well # 1	2580	GPM
Extraction Well # 2	<u>3240</u>	GPM
Total Well Water Extraction	5820	GPM
Total Ground Water Production	8	MGD

**Note: *The data reported here is available as of 01/12/26
All other flow data reported here is preliminary, as of 9:00 a.m. on 01/13/26**

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ACWA State Legislative Committee

January 16th, 2026

In- Person Meeting Only

Park Tower Conference Room

980 9th Street, 2nd Floor

Sacramento, CA 95814

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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| 1. Welcome | Lauren Layne, Chair
Brian Poulsen, Vice-Chair |
| 2. Committee Orientation | Julia Hall |
| 3. Review of Bill Packets | |
| 4. Legislative Updates | Julia Hall |
| 5. Regulatory Updates | Chelsea Haines |
| 6. Discussion Item: Agency Sponsored Legislation | Brian Poulsen |
| 7. Other Business | |
| 8. Adjourn | |

Reminder: Next State Legislative Committee Meeting: **February 12th (In-Person).**

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EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY

Board Members

South San Joaquin
Irrigation District - Chair
Robert Holmes

Stockton East Water
District – Vice Chair
Mel Panizza

California Water Service
Company
Craig Stevens

Central Delta Water
Agency
George Biagi Jr.

Central San Joaquin Water
Conservation District
Richard Wagner

City of Lodi
Alan Nakanishi

City of Manteca
Regina Lackey

City of Stockton
Michael Blower

Eastside San Joaquin GSA
Gary Tofanelli

Linden County Water
District
Myron Blanton

Lockeford Community
Services District
Mike Henry

North San Joaquin Water
Conservation District
Jason Colombini

Oakdale Irrigation District
Eric Thorburn

San Joaquin County
Sonny Dhaliwal

South Delta Water Agency
John Herrick

Woodbridge Irrigation
District
Keith Bussman

Executive Director
Julia D. Berry

Board of Directors

AGENDA

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

San Joaquin County Council of Governments
555 E. Weber Avenue, Stockton, CA 95202

I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call

II. Additions to the Agenda

(The Board may add an item to the agenda if, upon a two-thirds vote, the Board finds that there is a need for immediate action on the matter and the need came to the attention of the Authority after the posting of this Agenda)

III. Public Comment

(Members of the public may address the Board on any matter related to the Authority that is not included on the Agenda. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person.)

IV. Action Items

1. Approval of December 10, 2025, Meeting Minutes - [Page 3](#)
2. Approval of Resolution R-26-01 authorizing the Chairman of ESJGWA or his/her designee to approve expenditures and execute contract within the designations and limitations of the approved budget. - [Page 5](#)

V. Presentations

1. GSA Spotlight – Keith Bussman, Woodbridge Irrigation District

VI. Authority Staff/Agency Reports

1. Executive Director, Julia D. Berry
2. Department of Water Resources, Chelsea Spier - [Page 7](#)

EASTERN SAN JOAQUIN GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY
Board of Directors Meeting
AGENDA
(Continued)

VII. Directors' Comments and Project Status Reports

VIII. Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 11, 2026
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
San Joaquin County Council of Governments

Items on the Agenda may be taken in any order.

Action may be taken on any item listed on the Agenda.

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Agendas and Minutes may also be found at <http://www.EJGroundwater.org>

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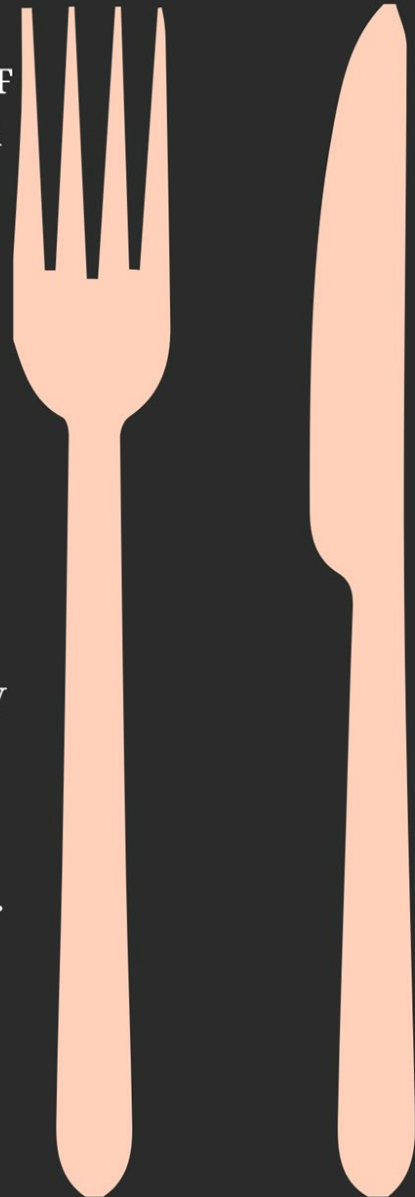
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THE CHAMBER INSTALLATION OF
OFFICERS & DIRECTORS DINNER

Monday
January 19, 2025

Linden Lions Club
(Market & Front St.) @6pm.
Dinners are \$10 each. Provided by
our local businesses. This is a
members only event. Looking
forward to seeing everyone there.
Happy New Year!

PLEASE RSVP
BY JANUARY 14, 2026
209 969-0522 JULIE WRIGHT
209 483-8180 KAREEN SCHAEDE



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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
ADVISORY WATER COMMISSION

**** CANCELLATION NOTICE ****

The January 21, 2026
ADVISORY WATER
COMMISSION
MEETING IS CANCELLED

Please Note:

The Next AWC Meeting

Is scheduled for **February 18, 2026**, beginning at
1:00 p.m.

Location

San Joaquin County Robert J. Cabral Agricultural Center
2101 E. Earhart Avenue, Stockton, CA 95206

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