

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, FEBRUARY 10, 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., Director Nakaue led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR (None)**

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**D. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS AND AGENDA ITEM**

1. Minutes 02/03/26 Regular Board Meeting

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the February 3, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

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

A motion was moved and seconded to approve the February 10, 2026 Warrants, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

3. Cancellation of February 24, 2026 Stockton East Water District Regular Board Meeting  
Manager Hopkins presented to the Board for consideration a meeting cancellation for the February 24, 2026, regular Board meeting, as Directors Atkins, Watkins, and Manager Hopkins will be in Washington DC for lobbying on that date.

Director Sanguinetti commented that any Directors wanting to attend a Washington DC trip, specifically the SJCOG OneVoice trip in May, should be allowed to attend without the Board President's approval. President McGurk advised the Board Ethical Guidelines identifies the Board President is charged with determining whether Board member attendance at conferences or similar events is relevant and appropriate. President McGurk further advised that due to the much greater costs of Washington DC trips, Board attendance will be limited to two Directors; however, no limitations will be applied to in-state travel or Reno.

A motion was moved and seconded to approve Cancellation of February 24, 2026 Stockton East Water District Regular Board Meeting, as presented.

Roll Call:

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

#### **E. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. San Joaquin County and Delta Water Quality Coalition Steering Committee Meeting, 02/09/26  
Director Atkins informed the Board there wasn't a meeting as the meetings are held every other month.

#### **G. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER**

1. Water Supply Report as of 02/03/26  
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 179,081 AF in storage at New Hogan Reservoir. Current releases are set at 47 cfs. There is 1,779,434 AF in storage at New Melones Reservoir. Current releases are set at 1,036 cfs. The current release at Goodwin Dam to Stanislaus River is set at 1,102 cfs and release to all water users is set at 1,102 cfs. The District Water Treatment Plant (WTP) is currently processing 18 mgd. The City of Stockton WTP is currently processing 11 mgd.

2. Information Items: F-2a and F-2b

Manager Hopkins discussed the informational items.

3. Report on General Manager Activities

- a. Stockton East Water District Activities Update

Manager Hopkins reported he had a Fox40 interview on Studio 40 regarding the Farmington Reservoir Project. The video has been uploaded to the District's YouTube channel.

Manager Hopkins reported the Marciano grant deed will be notarized tomorrow, with recording to the County to follow. Closing is expected to take approximately 15 days, and the District should obtain ownership of the property around February 26<sup>th</sup>.

Manager Hopkins reported he held a meeting with Woodbridge Irrigation District General Manager Keith Bussman to explore a potential partnership related to the Mokelumne Integrated Conjunctive Use Program (MICUP).

Manager Hopkins reported he met with Lee Mao, Interim Area Manager for the Bureau of Reclamation. He also reported that a meeting will be scheduled with the Department of the Interior while in Washington, D.C., to discuss the District's Ability-To-Pay Study, the District's M&I water shortage policy, and potential adjustments to the allocation policy.

Manager Hopkins reported he has an upcoming meeting with California Natural Resources Agency on Healthy Rivers and Landscape proposal next Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

Manager Hopkins reported the equipment use for 02/02/26

4. Stockton East Water District Engineering and Maintenance & Construction Update  
District Engineer Evensen presented the Board with an engineering update, reporting on the Bellota Weir Modifications, Potter Creek Pump Station, MOV1 Valve Vault and Valve Cluster and Eight Mile Dam Replacement. District Engineer Evensen also reported on planning, design and permitting on the New Filter Design, Clements Pipeline and Reservoirs, DWR Calaveras River Watershed Resiliency, Utility Water Pump Station and LLPS Electrical Design Build.

Maintenance and Construction Manager Higaes provided the Board with a Maintenance and Construction update, reporting preventive maintenance, Tyler EAM (CMMS), Eight Mile Dam Replacement, Transformer Oil Testing and Electrical Technician Recruitment. Maintenance & Construction Manager Higaes provided the Board with the Eight Mile Dam Replacement construction schedule and a picture of the concrete slab and footings.

## **G. DIRECTOR REPORTS**

1. Stockton East Water District Town Hall Meeting, 02/04/26  
Directors Atkins, Panizza, Watkins, Manager Hopkins, Assistant Manager Vega and Water Supply Manager Donis attended the Stockton East Water District Town Hall Meeting. Director Panizza reported Manager Hopkins provided a presentation and facilitated discussion tables with Director Atkins, Director Watkins, and himself. The attendees consisted of major landholders from the Stanislaus County area. Director Panizza also reported that concerns were raised regarding the cost of surface water versus groundwater pumping, potential taxes and fees, and annexation costs.
2. Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce-Monthly Mixer, Rios Las Palmas Independent & Assisted Living Center, 02/05/26  
Directors Atkins and Manager Hopkins attended the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce-Monthly Mixer, Rios Las Palmas Independent & Assisted Living Center. Director Panizza reported the Rio Las Palmas recently changed ownership. The venue is multi-story with 180 suites.

## **H. COMMUNICATIONS**

## **I. AGENDA PLANNING/UPCOMING EVENTS**

1. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority Board Meeting, 10:30 a.m., 02/11/26
2. ACWA 2026 Legislative Symposium, 1:00 p.m., 02/11/26

3. San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation Monthly Water Committee Meeting, 4:30 p.m., 02/11/26  
This meeting has been moved to February 18<sup>th</sup>.
4. ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 02/12//26
5. District Holiday – Washington’s Birthday/ President’s Day, 02/16/26
6. Administration Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m., 02/17/26
7. ACWA Regional Briefing on New ACWA Initiatives – Regions 2,3 & 4, 2:30 p.m., 02/17/26

**J. REPORT OF THE COUNSEL**

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

President McGurk adjourned the meeting to closed session at 1:21 p.m. The regular meeting reconvened at 1:34 p.m., with no reportable action.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

President McGurk adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Justin M. Hopkins  
General Manager

