

NOTICE AND AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Commission of
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COASTAL WATER RESEARCH PROJECT AUTHORITY

To Be Held
Friday, September 4, 2026
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

At the Offices of the Authority:
3535 Harbor Blvd. Costa Mesa, California 92626

The meeting will be broadcast for remote viewing. Register here:
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COMMISSIONER	ALTERNATE	AGENCY
Blake	Kozelka	US Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX
Crader	Mogus	State Water Resources Control Board
Eckerle	Kalua	California Ocean Protection Council
Arredondo	Newman	Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region
Lindberg	Covellone	Regional Water Quality Control Board, Santa Ana Region
Gibson	Walsh	Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region
Kim-Lopez	Marchese	City of Los Angeles
Ferrante	Tremblay	Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts
Thompson	Wiborg	Orange County Sanitation District
McFadden	Gauger	City of San Diego
Vacant	Luna	Ventura County Watershed Protection District
Guerrero	Dewey	Los Angeles County Department of Public Works
Carr	Sharp	County of Orange
Tolchin	Pohl	County of San Diego

CONSENT AGENDA 9:00

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee will receive and file minutes from the last Commission meeting.

2. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Commission will receive and file the Authority's quarterly financial statement.

3. QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

The Commission will receive and file the Authority's quarterly statement of investments.

4. MINUTES OF CTAG MEETINGS

The Commission will receive and file minutes of the Commission's Technical Advisory Group's latest meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA

5. ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR 9:10

The Commission will elect a Chair and Vice-Chair for the next year.

6. FUTURE MEETING DATES 9:20

The Commission will select meeting dates for Calendar Year 2027. Candidate dates include: March 5, June 4, Sept 3, and Dec 3.

7. PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT 9:25

The Commission will hear a report from its Personnel and Finance Committee.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT 9:35

The Executive Director will report on the Authority's current activities.

9. CTAG REPORT 9:55

The Chair of the Commission's Technical Advisory Group (CTAG) will report on the most recent meeting.

10. CONTRACT REVIEW 10:10

The Executive Director will seek the Commission's endorsement of contracts that have been, or will be offered, to the Authority.

11. MODELING BEHAVIOR OF HIGH-DENSITY WASTEWATER PLUMES 10:20

The Commission will hear a presentation by Phil Roberts on how increased domestic wastewater density due to water reclamation affects plume behavior and how it is currently modeled. Martha Sutula will present a project in which SCCWRP will partner with Dr. Roberts to potentially enhance the modeling of higher-density plumes using ROMS-BEC.

12. CAPACITY FOR LABORATORY CHEMICAL ANALYSIS ACROSS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 11:10

The Commission will discuss the opportunities and challenges associated with the availability of high-quality, comparable laboratories for analyzing compliance-monitoring samples, following a presentation by Ken Schiff describing the number of commercial laboratories in Southern California that can process regulatory-required chemical analyses. CTAG will report on the Readiness Assessment for laboratory capacity to analyze regulatory compliance samples.

CTAG Readiness Assessment Statement

CTAG agreed that SCCWRP's laboratory inventory is technically sound and sufficient to support a Commission discussion of laboratory availability and comparability. CTAG also agreed that capacity challenges exist for several contaminants in a variety of matrices.

CTAG agreed to agendaize at a future meeting what activities CTAG and SCCWRP can undertake to increase the laboratory capacity for member agency compliance monitoring.

LUNCH 11:50

13. PREPARATION FOR EL NINO CONDITIONS 12:50

The Commission will hear about actions the City of San Diego is taking in anticipation of severe El Niño conditions this year. Ken Schiff will describe research SCCWRP is considering to study these unusual conditions, should they develop.

14. ASSESSING ECOSYSTEM SERVICES OF WATERBODIES 1:25

The Commission will hear about SCCWRP's burgeoning research on balancing aquatic health uses and human uses of the region's waterbodies.

15. OTHER BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS 1:45

The Commission will discuss other business or communications, if any.

16. PUBLIC COMMENTS 1:50

17. FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS 1:55

The Commission will discuss items for future meeting agendas.

18. ADJOURNMENT 2:00

The meeting will adjourn until the Commission's next regularly scheduled meeting at the offices of the Authority on Friday, December 4, 2026.

Right to Address Commission: Members of the public may address the Commission on any item shown on the agenda or matter under the Commission's authority. **Closed Session:** During the course of conducting the business set forth on this agenda as a regular meeting of the Commission, the Chair may convene the Commission in closed session to consider matters of pending or potential litigation or personnel matters, pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9 or 54957.6. Reports relating to purchase and sale of real property, pending or potential litigation, employee compensation, or which are exempt from public disclosure under the California Public Records Act, may be reviewed by the Commission during a permitted closed session and are not available for public inspection. At such time as the Commission takes final action on any of these items, the minutes will reflect all required disclosures. **Notice:** To place items on the agenda for a regular meeting of the Commission, Commissioners shall submit items to the Secretary of the Commission not later than the close of business 14 days preceding the meeting. The Secretary shall include on the agenda all items submitted by Commissioners and the Authority's staff, as well as all formal communications.