

**EAST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**



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

Thursday, February 23, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

CORTEZ HALL

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

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BOARD MEMBERS

Ward Burroughs, Eastside Water District Chairman
Tim Johnson, Eastside Water District Alternate and Treasurer
Dirk Ulrich, Ballico-Cortez Water District and Vice Chairman
Dennis Yotsuya, Ballico Cortez Water District Alternate
Lloyd Pareira, Merced County
Lacey McBride, Merced County Alternate
Hicham ElTal, Merced Irrigation District
Matt Beaman, Merced Irrigation District Alternate
Vito Chiesa, Stanislaus County
Christy McKinnon, Stanislaus County Alternate

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Interested persons in the audience are welcome to introduce any topic within the Agency's jurisdiction. No action may be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that the Board may briefly respond to the comments, refer the matter to staff, or request it be placed on a future agenda.

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3. SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Swear in Board Alternate Lacey McBride representing Merced County, replacing Alternate Rodrigo Espinoza effective February 23, 2023.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Action to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2023 East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency regular board meeting.
- b. Authorize Walt Ward to sign well consistency determination documents on behalf of the General Manager. All consistency determinations will be prepared by either Mike Tietze or Walt Ward, and reviewed by whichever one of them did not prepare it for quality control purposes.
- c. Action to amend Conflict of Interest Code- Remove Disclosure Category 2 for Secretary. Secretary does not make real property decisions and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Chief Executive Officer Declaration stating that this agency has fulfilled all its requirements in providing a comment period to amend the Conflict-of-Interest Code.

5. TREASURY REPORT AND PAYMENT OF BILLS

Action to accept the Treasurer's Report, monthly budget report, approve the payment of the February 2023 bills as presented, and accept ETS GSA's accountant recommendation to: continue separate Loan Fund account and Prudent Reserve account, and move all ISA accounts into single General Fund account.

6. CHANGE REQUEST FOR FORMATION ENVIRONMENTAL GENERAL MANAGER/COORDINATOR CONTRACT

Action to approve a budget change request from Formation Environmental for General Manager/Coordinator and related services in accordance with the mid-year budget reconciliation presented during the January board meeting.

7. CHANGE REQUEST FOR PROVOST & PRITCHARD GROUNDWATER MONITORING CONTRACT

Action to approve a budget change request from Provost & Pritchard to add additional groundwater monitoring services.

8. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (GSP) IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING AND UPDATES

At this time, Board members will discuss and may take action on other GSP matters of concern, including.

- a. Working schedule for Implementation Support Activities through July 2023
- b. March 7 Workshop agenda and draft presentation contents
- c. Workshop Outreach Activities
- d. Grant Pursuit Status
- e. Status of Groundwater Monitoring Program
- f. Discussion of policies to promote surface water usage
- g. Discussion of Mustang Creek, Dry Creek and Sand Creek discharge monitoring and management

9. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Lauren Layne/Jessica Johnson will provide a report to the board on legal items that could affect the agency and its member entities. Discussion item only.

- a. Turlock Subbasin Proposed Water Accounting Framework
- b. Legislation

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10. 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.

11. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 case).

12. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular scheduled board meeting is Thursday, March 23, 2023, 9:00 a.m. at Cortez Hall

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