



County of Monterey

Item No.8

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
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Consider adopting a Resolution to nominate an Agency representative to serve on the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Region 5 Board of Directors.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Directors:

Consider adopting a Resolution to nominate an Agency representative to serve on the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Region 5 Board of Directors.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) is governed by 10 regions throughout the State. Each region is governed by a regional board. The Agency is in Region 5, which stretches from Contra Costa County in the north to Santa Barbara County to the south - map attached. The current Region 5 Board does not have a representative from the Salinas Valley - roster attached. ACWA has established regional nominating committees to develop a recommended slate to be voted upon during the 2025 election process. In April, the nominating committees issued a call for candidates interested in serving on the 10 region boards. The deadline for application is June 20, 2025, and the election will occur between July 21st and September 19th.

On June 6th, the Personnel & Administration committee requested the General Manager distribute information to the Board of Directors regarding this opportunity and to solicit interest from either within the Agency's Board or from without, e.g. a member of Farm Bureau, as a representative of the Agency. The narrow timeframe between the Directors' meeting on the 16th and the deadline to apply on the 20th led staff to include the sample resolution for consideration, in substantial form, to allow for the timely submission of a candidate, if one should step forward, without the need to schedule a special meeting. The Personnel and Administration committee also recommended the General Manager act as the Agency's voting representative.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Association of California Water Agencies. (ACWA)

FINANCING:

Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) membership is financed by the fund balance in Fund 111. The estimated membership due for Calendar Year 2026 is \$31,000 and is included in the FY2025-26 Revised Recommended Budget.

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Attachments:

1. ACWA Call for Candidate Nominations Memo
2. ACWA Elections 25 Authorized Rep. Form
3. Resolution