

# County of Monterey

*Board of Supervisors Chambers  
168 W. Alisal St, 1st Floor  
Salinas, Ca 93901*



## Meeting Agenda

**Monday, April 21, 2025**

**12:00 PM**

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**NOTE: All agenda titles related to numbered agenda items are live web links. Click on the title to be directed to corresponding Board Report.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public may address comments to the Board concerning each agenda item. The timing of public comment shall be at the discretion of the Chair.**

**THE BOARD RECESSES FOR CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS: Closed Session may be held at the conclusion of the Board's Agenda, or at any other time during the course of the meeting, before or after the scheduled time, announced by the Chairperson of the Board. The public may comment on Closed Session items prior to the Board's recess to Closed Session.**

**Call to Order at 12:00 P.M.**

**Roll Call**

**Public Comments on Closed Session Items**

1. Closed Session under Government Code section 54950, relating to the following items:
  - a. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2) and (d)(4), the Board will confer with legal counsel regarding one matter of significant exposure to litigation and the potential initiation of litigation.
  - b. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8, the Board will confer with real property negotiators:
    - Property: industrial wastewater
    - Negotiator(s): Ara Azhderian, General Manager
    - Negotiating Parties: City of Salinas and Monterey One Water
    - Under Negotiation: Price and terms.

*Note: Continuance of Closed Session to be held at the conclusion of the Board's Regular Agenda, or at any other time during the course of the meeting announced by the Chairperson of the Board. The public may comment on Closed Session items prior to the Board's recess to Closed Session.*

**Recess to Closed Session**

**Reconvene Meeting at 1:00 P.M.**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS BY CLERK: The Clerk of the Board will announce agenda corrections and proposed additions, which may acted on by the Board as provided in Sections 54954.2 of the California Government Code.**

**Public Comment**

**Consent Calendar**

2. Approve the Action Minutes of the Special Board of Directors meeting held on March 17, 2025.  
  
**Attachments:** [draft BOD Special BOD Minutes March 17, 2025](#)
3. Authorize the General Manager to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Professional Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc., to increase the dollar amount by \$225,000 for a total contract amount not-to-exceed \$564,356 and extend the term of the Agreement to June 30, 2028, to provide annual safety surveillance and performance evaluation of San Antonio Dam; and authorize the General Manager to execute the Amendment. (Staff: Manuel Saavedra)  
  
**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[Amendment No. 3](#)  
[Original Agreement for Professional Services](#)  
[Board Order](#)
4. Recommend that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors approve an easement expansion for CSIP Supplemental Well 11B02 on Parcel 253-012-027-000 from Grantor BOGGIATTO MICHAEL E. SR TR ET AL for construction of a replacement supplemental well for the Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project; and authorize the General Manager to execute the Grant of Easement Deed for CSIP Supplemental Well 11B02 Easement Expansion. (Staff: Pete Vannerus)  
  
**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[Grant Easement Deed](#)  
[Exhibit A-C](#)  
[Board Order](#)
5. Recommend the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors approve an Request for Bids Package (“RFB”) including Technical Specifications for the Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project’s Well Replacement 11B02 Project, and authorize the General Manager to execute a contract for the project construction with the awarded contractor. (Staff: Pete Vannerus)

**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[Draft RFB 25-001](#)  
[Technical Specifications for Well 11B02](#)  
[Board Order](#)

6. Recommend that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution to:
- a. Authorize implementation of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Stream Gage Upgrade Project and accept a funding award from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) through the California Stream Gage Improvement Program (CalSIP) funded by the Budget Act of 2023 (Stats. 2023, Ch. 189, Section 43); and
  - b. Authorize the General Manager or his designee to execute and manage funding documents, and any amendments thereto with DWR, and take such other actions as necessary or appropriate to comply with funding requirements. (Staff: Peter Kwick)

**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[CalSIP Award Letter](#)  
[Resolution](#)  
[Board Order](#)

7. Recommend that the Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency (“Agency”):
- a. Approve increasing the contract authority for the Agency General Manager from \$100,000 to \$200,000; and
  - b. Authorize the Agency General Manager to engage independent contractors to provide goods and services for the Agency where the annual aggregate cost does not exceed \$200,000. (Staff: Ara Azhderian)

**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[Executed BoS Board Order 2018.10.16](#)  
[Board Order](#)

### **Action Items**

8. Consider adopting a release schedule for Nacimiento and San Antonio reservoirs for 2025. (Staff Presenting: Peter Kwick)

**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[Reservoir Release Schedule for 2025](#)  
[Reservoir Release Schedule PPT](#)  
[Board Order](#)

9.

Consider:

- a. Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with McMillen Inc. to increase the dollar amount by \$35,980 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,480,980 for work related to the San Antonio Spillway Replacement Project; and
  - b. Authorizing the General Manager to execute the amendment.
- (Staff Presenting: Elise Harden)

**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[2024 McMillen PSA](#)  
[Amendment No. 1 with Scope of Work](#)  
[Board Order](#)

10.

Consider authorizing the General Manager to negotiate an *Interim City of Salinas Industrial Wastewater Treatment Facility Effluent Agreement* with the City of Salinas and Monterey One Water; and authorize the General Manager to execute the Agreement. (Staff Presenting: Shaunna Murray)

**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[DRAFT Treated IWW Interim Agreement City of Salinas, M1W, WRA](#)  
[Board Order](#)

11.

Consider recommending that the Board of Supervisors of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency:

- a. Approve and authorize the General Manager of the Water Resources Agency to accept donation of monitoring wells 180/400-GDE-1 valued at \$52,797; E-DA-2 valued at \$282,739; L-GWL-2 valued at \$109,355; L-GWL-6 valued at \$109,355; UV-GWL-1 valued at \$81,540; and UV-ISW-1 valued at \$63,923 from the Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency;
- b. Authorize the General Manager of the Water Resources Agency to enter into Agreements to Convey Ownership in Monitoring Wells 180/400-GDE-1, E-DA-2, L-GWL-2, L-GWL-6, UV-GWL-1, and UV-ISW-1; and
- c. Authorize the Water Resources Agency to use monitoring wells 180/400-GDE-1, E-DA-2, L-GWL-2, L-GWL-6, UV-GWL-1, and UV-ISW-1 for implementation of its Groundwater Monitoring Program.

(Staff Presenting: Amy Woodrow)

**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[Well Location Maps](#)  
[Well Completion Reports](#)  
[Agreements to Convey Ownership](#)  
[Board Order](#)

12.

Consider recommending that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board

of Supervisors:

- a. Approve and adopt the Fiscal Year 2025-26 (FY26) cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) increase of 2.7% to the assessment charges of Zones 1, 1A, 2B, 2C, 2Y, 2Z, 8, 9, 12, and 17; and
  - b. Approve and adopt the FY26 COLA increase of 2.7% to the Zone 2B water service charge for the Salinas River Diversion Facility Project; and
  - c. Set and hold a public hearing on May 28, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. to consider approving and adopting the assessment rate charges; and
  - d. Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to publish a hearing notice once a week for two consecutive weeks prior to the date set for the hearing.
- (Staff Presenting: Nan Kim)

**Attachments:**    [Board Report](#)  
[Summary - FY26 WRA Assessments charges & Fees](#)  
[Notices of Public Hearing for Flood Zones](#)  
[Notices of Public Hearing for Zone 2C](#)  
[Notices of Public Hearing for Zones 2BYZ WDF](#)  
[Board Order](#)

- 13.**                      Hold a public hearing to consider recommending the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors to:
- a. Approve and adopt the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Zone 2B Water Delivery charge of \$85.24 per acre-foot of water delivered for Zone 2B for the Castroville Seawater Intrusion Project and the Salinas Valley Reclamation Project; and
  - b. Notice and hold a public hearing on May 28, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. to consider approving and adopting the rate change; and
  - c. Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to publish a hearing notice once a week for two consecutive weeks prior to the date set for the public hearing by Board of Supervisors. (Staff Presenting: Pete Vannerus)

**Attachments:**    [Board Report](#)  
[Public Hearing Notice Zones 2BYZ WDF](#)  
[FY26 Water Delivery Fee PPT](#)  
[Board Order](#)

- 14.**                      Consider recommending that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors approve and adopt the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Groundwater Monitoring Program Regulatory Fees of \$160.19 per well for Initial Well Registration, \$21.90 per well for Annual Well Registration Renewal, \$64.82 per well for Groundwater Extraction Reporting, \$117.63 per well for Groundwater Level Monitoring, and \$73.90 per well for Groundwater Quality Monitoring.  
(Staff Presenting: Amy Woodrow)



**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[Map of FY2025 -2026 GMP Regulatory Fee Area](#)  
[Draft GMP Fee Study](#)  
[Summary Table of FY2025 -26 GMP Regulatory Fee](#)  
[Board Order](#)

15. Consider recommending that the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Board of Supervisors approve the Monterey County Water Resources Agency Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Recommended Budget. (Staff Presenting: Nan Kim)

**Attachments:** [Board Report](#)  
[MCWRA FY2025-26 Recommended Budget Book](#)  
[Resolution](#)  
[Board Order](#)  
[FY26 Budget PPT](#)

### **Key Information and Calendar of Events**

16. April, May and June 2025 Calendars.

**Attachments:** [April 2025](#)  
[May 2025](#)  
[June 2025](#)

### **General Manager's Report**

17.
  - Personnel
  - Dam Safety Funding - Historical Benefits Analysis Update
  - Monterey One Water Reconciliation Process
  - Association of California Water Agencies
  - Regulatory/Legislative Activities
  - Other

**Attachments:** [2025.04.21 WRA BOD GM Report](#)  
[Count of Monterey SB 601 \(Allen\) 'Oppose' Letter](#)  
[Sen. Padilla Funding Request Form FY26 - Naci Lake Drive Repaving](#)  
[Sen. Padilla Funding Request Form FY26 - Reclamation Ditch Restoration](#)  
[Sen. Padilla Funding Request Form FY26 - SanAn LLOW Rehabilitation](#)

### **Committee Reports**

18. Committee Agenda's and Cancellation Notices for March and April 2025:  
- Joint Water Resources/Board of Supervisors Leadership Committee

- Water Resources Agency Reservoir Operations Advisory Committee
- Water Resources Agency Basin Management Advisory Committee
- Water Resources Agency Planning Committee
- Water Resources Agency Finance Committee
- Water Resources Personnel and Administration Committee

**Attachments:**    [Final JBL Agenda March 20, 2025](#)  
[Final ResOps Agenda March 27, 2025](#)  
[Final Planning Agenda April 2, 2025](#)  
[Final BMAC Special Meeting Agenda April 3, 2025](#)  
[Final Finance Agenda April 4, 2025](#)  
[Final P&A Agenda April 4, 2025](#)

### **Information Items**

19.                      Reservoir Storage Release Update Report. (Staff: Chris Calderon)

**Attachments:**    [Reservoir Storage Release Update Report](#)

### **Correspondence**

20.                      1. Letter dated April 11, 2025, to Bryce Matsumura, DWR SGMA Program South Central Region Office from Eric N. Robinson, Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedemann & Girard RE: Comments on Five-Year Evaluation of 180/400-Foot Aquifer Groundwater Sustainability Plan prepared by Salinas Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency.
2. News Article dated April 17, 2025, Katie Rodriguez, Reporter, Monterey County Weekly, RE: MCWRA Funding to study flood mitigation efforts along Carmel River.

**Attachments:**    [LTR RE: Comments on SVBGSA 5-year Evaluation 180-400FT GSP](#)  
[Monterey County Weekly WRA Funding Study Flood Mitigation Carmel River](#)

### **Board of Directors Comments**

### **Adjournment**