

# **AGENDA**

## **Board of Supervisors on:**

## **Friday, March 6, 2026**

# **2026 LEGISLATIVE WORKSHOP**

### **10:30 A.M. - Call to Order**

### **Call for Roll Call by the Clerk**

Chair, Supervisor Wendy Root Askew  
Vice-Chair, Supervisor Kate Daniels  
Supervisor Luis A. Alejo  
Supervisor Glenn Church  
Supervisor Chris Lopez

### **Pledge of Allegiance: *lead by***

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### **Announcement of the Spanish Interpreter**

### **Call for Additions and Corrections by Clerk**

**Note for Chair:** Any Spanish speaking public comments when received shall be heard first in Spanish by the public speaker then the Spanish Interpreter will follow it by interpreting the comment(s) into English for the record in a consecutive mode.

### **1. Welcome and Introductions (Chair Askew)**

#### **➤ Expected Attendees:**

- ☐ Congressman Jimmy Panetta (Via Zoom)
- ☐ Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas (In person)
- ☐ Senator John Laird (In person)
- ☐ Assemblymember Dawn Addis (In person)
- ☐ US Senator Alex Padilla (Via Zoom)
- ☐ US Senator Adam Schiff (Via Zoom)
- ☐ Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren (Via Zoom)

#### **➤ Introduce the County's legislative team:**

- ☐ Nick Chiulos, Chief Assistant CAO
- ☐ Nicole Hollingsworth, Legislative Program Manager

- ☐ Karina Bakanovich, Management Analyst
- ☐ Ashley Walker, state legislative & funding advocate - Nossaman LLP
- ☐ Maria Tripplaar & Katlyn Koegel, federal legislative advocate - Ballard Spahr LLP

**2. Review of Agenda and Objectives (Legislative Committee Chair, TBD)**

- **The purpose of the annual Legislative Workshop is to:**
  - Provide information on the County’s priority legislative and funding needs;
  - Hear from our legislators on their priorities related to Monterey County;
  - discuss how we can work together on these issues in 2026

**3. State of the County (CAO, Sonia De La Rosa)**

- **State of the County**  
*Presenter: Sonia De La Rosa, County Administrative Officer*

**4. County Priority Presentations**

- a. San Lucas Clean Drinking Water, SRPS, and Road Improvements  
*Presenter: Randy Ishii, Director, Public Works, Facilities and Parks*
- b. Nacimiento and San Antonio Dams and Reservoirs Safety Projects, Reclamation Ditch Restoration Project  
*Presenter: Ara Azhderian, General Manager, MCWRA*
- c. Impacts of H.R.1 on Monterey County Healthcare Services  
*Presenters: Elsa Jimenez, Director, Health*  
*Roderick Franks, Director, Department of Social Services*  
*Dr. Chad Harris, CEO, Natividad*
- d. FEMA Reimbursements  
*Presenter: Kelsey Scanlon, Director, Emergency Management*

**5. Remarks by Board of Supervisors Regarding 2026 Priorities**

- **Remarks from board members**
  - a. Supervisor Luis Alejo – *District 1*
  - b. Supervisor Glenn Church – *District 2*
  - c. Supervisor Chris Lopez – *District 3*
  - d. Supervisor Wendy Root Askew – *District 4*
  - e. Supervisor Kate Daniels – *District 5*

6. **Remarks by State & Federal Legislators on Their 2026 Priorities that Relate to Monterey County**

➤ **Remarks from legislators**

- a. Congressman Jimmy Panetta
- b. Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren
- c. Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas
- d. Senator John Laird
- e. Assemblymember Dawn Addis
- f. Margaret Arechiga, District Director, to US Senator Alex Padilla
- g. Colleen Oinuma, Deputy State Director, to US Senator Adam Schiff

7. **Roundtable Discussion**

8. **Board Direction to Staff**

9. **Public Comment on Agenda Items**

**Adjournment**