

KINNELOA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Regular Meeting – Board of Directors
1999 Kinclair Drive, Pasadena, CA 91107
Tuesday, March 24, 2026
2:00 P.M.

AGENDA

This meeting will be conducted at the District office in accordance with the Brown Act and AB 2449. Public comment may be made in person or submitted via email to gm@kidwater.info prior to the meeting, any information submitted will become part of the official record. The public may participate at the office or via computer or telephone using the following information:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85061795151?pwd=QRaWGV5Lzg3dmEvcGx1Ujl6akRHdz09>

Meeting ID: 850 6179 5151

Passcode: 156331

Telephone: 669 900 9128

1. CALL TO ORDER –

- a. Declaration of a quorum
- b. Review of agenda

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – Comments from the Public regarding items on the Agenda or other items within the jurisdiction of the District

In compliance with the Brown Act, the Board cannot discuss or act on items not on the Agenda. However, Board Members or District Staff may acknowledge Public comments, briefly respond to statements or questions posed by the Public, ask a question for clarification, or request Staff to place item on a future Agenda (Government Code section §54954.2)

3. REVIEW OF MINUTES – February 24, 2026, Regular Meeting

Recommended Action: Review and approve motion to file.

4. REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS – February 2026

Recommended Action: Review and approve motion to file.

5. LAFCO ELECTION FOR SPECIAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Recommended Action: Review candidates and authorize General Manager to submit ballot.

6. SUPPORT LETTER FOR SB 1153 WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS FOR PUBLIC WATER AGENCIES

Recommended Action: Authorize General Manager to submit ballot

7. RESOLUTION 2026-03-24-01 AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY BY THE DISTRICT OF AN INSTALLMENT LOAN AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF OTHER NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND RELATED ACTIONS

Recommended Action: Authorize General Manager to execute all necessary documents to close the \$5,500,000 financing with Columbia Bank to facilitate execution of the District Capital Improvement Plan.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Water Loss Audit – February 2026*
- b. Water Quality Testing and Reporting – February 2026*
- c. Capital Project Status Report and Schedule*
- d. General Managers Report – February 2026*
- e. Subeca Performance Update
- f. Form 700 Filing Protocol, due by April 1st

9. CLOSED SESSION – Pending or threatened litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(a))

10. CLOSED SESSION – Threats to Critical Infrastructure Controls (Government Code Section 54957)

11. DIRECTOR REPORTS AND/OR COMMENTS –

In accordance with Government Code §54954.2 Directors may make brief announcements or brief reports on their own activities. Directors may ask a question for clarification, provide a reference to staff or other resources for information, request staff to report back to the Directors at a subsequent meeting, or act to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

12. CALENDAR – Upcoming meetings: April 28, 2026; May 26, 2026; June 23, 2026

13. ADJOURNMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the District office 48 hours prior to the meeting at 626-797-6295. Each item on the agenda, no matter how described, shall be deemed to include any appropriate motion, whether to adopt a minute motion, resolution, payment of any bill, approval of any matter or action, or any other action. Material related to an item on this agenda submitted after distribution of the agenda packet is available for public review at the District office or online at the District's website <https://kinneloirrigationdistrict.info>.

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Tuesday, February 24, 2026, 2:00 P.M.
MINUTES

The meeting was conducted in the District Board Room and by teleconference in accordance with the Brown Act and AB 2449. The District offered the public the option to attend the meeting by telephone, videoconference or in-person as stated in the agenda.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: (In-Person): Stephen Brown, Gordon Johnson, William Opel, John Feliton, Timothy Eldridge

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: (In-Person): Tom Majich, General Manager (GM); Katherine Morrisroe, Assistant Management Analyst; Chris Burt, Chief Operator

PUBLIC PRESENT: Michael Oliver (remote), John Vrsalovich (remote)

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. and took roll call. A quorum of Board Members was present and reviewed the agenda.

Chairman Brown opened the meeting by acknowledging the recent passing of long time District customer, and former member of its Board of Directors, Mr. Frank Griffith and noted that the Board will consider proposals to acknowledge and memorialize his valuable service to the District over many years.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Mr. John Vrsalovich introduced himself as the Foothill Municipal Water District Director for the Division that includes Kinneboa Irrigation District and noted that he is a resource for the District as it relates to Foothill matters, Director Johnson thanked Mr. Vrsalovich for his attendance.

Mr. Michael Oliver introduced himself as a District customer in the Division represented by Director Opel.

3. **REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

Chairman Brown motioned to approve the **January 27, 2026, Regular Meeting** Minutes for filing with directed corrections made to items 3, 7e, and 7j and was seconded by Director Johnson. It was motioned/seconded/carried unanimously – (Brown / Johnson– 5 Aye / 0 Nay).

4. REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS AND AUDITOR ENGAGEMENT – FISCAL YEAR 2025:

The General Manager presented the Year End 2025 financial reports. Director Eldridge motioned to approve the reports for filing and to engage Egan & Egan to conduct the audit for fiscal and calendar year 2025 and was seconded by Director Opel. A discussion ensued and the GM noted that a request for proposal will go out this summer for auditor services for year-end 2026. It was motioned / seconded / carried unanimously – (Eldridge / Opel – 5 Aye / 0 Nay).

5. REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The General Manager presented the January 2026 financial reports. Director Eldridge motioned to approve the reports for filing and was seconded by Director Johnson. It was motioned / seconded / carried unanimously – (Eldridge / Johnson – 5 Aye / 0 Nay).

6. NOMINATION FOR LAFCO SPECIAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE:

The General Manager presented a memo from Special Counsel William F. Kruse notifying Los Angeles Special Districts of a vacant seat on the Local Agency Formation Commission. A form was provided to nominate candidates. A discussion ensued where questions were asked and answered. No action was taken.

7. SUPPORT LETTERS FOR SB 1002 IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR WATER UTILITY WORKERS AND SB 1153 WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS FOR PUBLIC WATER AGENCIES:

The General Manager presented Senate Bills 1001 and 1153. Director Eldridge motioned to authorize the GM to provide a letter of support for SB 1001 and was seconded by Director Opel. A discussion ensued where questions were asked and answered. It was motioned / seconded / carried unanimously – (Eldridge / Opel – 5 Aye / 0 Nay). Director Eldridge motioned to table the authorization of SB 1153 and was seconded by Director Johnson. It was motioned / seconded / carried unanimously – (Eldridge / Opel – 5 Aye / 0 Nay).

8. EXECUTION OF TERM SHEET FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FINANCING LOAN:

The General Manager presented the 2026 Term Sheet with Columbia Bank and noted that the final borrowing Resolution and related documents will be presented to the Board for approval at its Regular meeting in March. A discussion ensued where questions were asked and answered. Director Eldridge motioned to approve the execution of the Term Sheet and was seconded by Director Johnson. It was motioned / seconded / carried unanimously – (Eldridge / Johnson – 5 Aye / 0 Nay).

9. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- a. The General Manager reviewed the January 2026 Water Loss Audit report.
- b. The General Manager reviewed the January 2026 Water Quality Testing Report.
- c. The General Manager presented the Capital Project Status Report. He reported that materials have been received for the SCADA RTU Upgrade Project and installation will begin in March.
- d. The General Manager reported that the process of obtaining FEMA public assistance for the Eaton Fire damages is ongoing.

e. The General Manager reported that the Septic to Sewer Feasibility Study will not be conducted by Los Angeles County due to contractual requirements, but County staff has provided a referral to a private engineering firm that the GM will contact for a proposal.

f. The General Manager presented the 2025 Emergency Repairs Project Cost Report. Various Board members noted that in preparing the budget for 2027 it may be prudent to include a budget line item for these recurring emergency repairs.

g. The General Manager will present the 2025 General Manager Report on District Operations at the next meeting.

h. The General Manager reported that the Form 700 Filing Protocol is due by April 1st. He will share more information on filing details at the next meeting.

i. The General Manager presented the monthly report on District activities and water supply.

j. The General Manager issued a request form to Directors who would like a District issued identification card or business cards.

k. The General Manager presented the AB 1392 Confidential Voter Registration for Elected Officials. Per Section 2166.9 of Assembly Bil 1392, Board members may fill out the provided form to request that personal information be kept confidential.

l. The General Manager reported a Water Theft Ordinance Violation on 2/12/26. Following Resolution 2025-11-18-2, the responsible party was fined for their first violation of Unauthorized Fire Hydrant Use.

10. KINNELOA IRRIGATION DISTRICT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR 2026:

The Board reviewed the latest draft of the District's Goals and Objectives for 2026 prepared by Chairman Brown. A discussion ensued where questions were asked and answered. Director Johnson motioned to approve its adoption and was seconded by Director Feliton. It was motioned / seconded / carried unanimously – (Johnson / Feliton – 5 Aye / 0 Nay).

11. CLOSED SESSION – Pending or Threatened Litigation:

The Board went into closed session at 3:40pm, the closed session ended at 4:15pm. Chairman Brown reported that no action was taken.

12. DIRECTOR REPORTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Director Eldridge reported that the Pasadena Glen Community Services District will be holding a vote shortly on modifying their property assessment structure to provide for additional funds for road and drainage repairs in their District.

13. CALENDAR:

Upcoming meetings: March 24, 2026; April 28, 2026; May 26, 2026.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Brown adjourned the meeting at 4:25 P.M.

Prepared and submitted by,

**Katherine Morrisroe
Assistant Management Analyst**

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Kinneloa Irrigation District
Income Statement Compared with Budget For the Two Months Ending February 28, 2026

		Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Current Month Variance	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	Year to Date Variance	Annual Budget
Revenues								
4001	Retail Water Sales DSC	63,390.70	65,550.76	(2,160.06)	135,535.26	138,124.82	(2,589.56)	854,501.00
4002	Retail Water Sales Consumption	78,747.60	96,479.25	(17,731.65)	205,058.58	192,958.50	12,100.08	1,929,585.00
4020	Service Charges	461.81	0.00	461.81	1,143.47	0.00	1,143.47	0.00
4035	Interest on Cash	0.00	6,549.25	(6,549.25)	10,106.68	19,647.75	(9,541.07)	78,591.00
4070	Misc. Income	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	3,479.21	0.00	3,479.21	0.00
TOTAL REVENUES		145,100.11	168,579.26	(23,479.15)	355,323.20	350,731.07	4,592.13	2,862,677.00
Expenses								
5005	Electricity	13,641.29	20,872.50	(7,231.21)	31,912.89	62,617.50	(30,704.61)	250,470.00
5010	Maintenance Supplies	2,060.93	2,187.50	(126.57)	3,192.92	6,562.50	(3,369.58)	26,250.00
5012	Safety Equipment	1,108.97	257.50	851.47	1,355.72	772.50	583.22	3,090.00
5015	Operations & Maint. Labor	27,832.78	29,750.00	(1,917.22)	58,814.06	89,250.00	(30,435.94)	357,000.00
5016	Non-Emergency Operations OT	2,030.34	2,925.00	(894.66)	3,047.18	8,775.00	(5,727.82)	35,100.00
5020	Standby Compensation	840.00	912.50	(72.50)	1,830.00	2,737.50	(907.50)	10,950.00
5022	Training/Certification	0.00	260.00	(260.00)	(125.00)	780.00	(905.00)	3,120.00
5025	Water Treatment/Analysis	8,528.60	1,287.50	7,241.10	9,046.10	3,862.50	5,183.60	15,450.00
5026	Water Treatment/Supplies	0.00	875.00	(875.00)	1,191.50	2,625.00	(1,433.50)	10,500.00
5030	Maint. Contractors Scheduled	2,800.00	9,721.25	(6,921.25)	22,513.89	29,163.75	(6,649.86)	116,655.00
5031	SCADA System O&M	0.00	862.50	(862.50)	0.00	2,587.50	(2,587.50)	10,350.00
5033	Unscheduled/Emergency Repair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5034	Equipment Maintenance	821.00	1,725.00	(904.00)	821.00	5,175.00	(4,354.00)	20,700.00
5035	Vehicle Maintenance	435.95	517.50	(81.55)	577.19	1,552.50	(975.31)	6,210.00
5036	Fuel - All Equipment	791.45	1,050.00	(258.55)	1,391.47	3,150.00	(1,758.53)	12,600.00
5040	Equipment Rental	0.00	42.75	(42.75)	0.00	128.25	(128.25)	513.00
5045	Insurance-Workers Compensation	0.00	1,781.08	(1,781.08)	4,934.62	5,343.25	(408.63)	21,373.00
5046	Insurance-Liability	0.00	3,041.67	(3,041.67)	0.00	9,125.00	(9,125.00)	36,500.00
5048	Insurance-Property	0.00	470.58	(470.58)	0.00	1,411.75	(1,411.75)	5,647.00
5049	Insurance-Medical	10,646.79	8,837.50	1,809.29	21,293.54	26,512.50	(5,218.96)	106,050.00
6000	Engineering Services	8,295.00	5,177.08	3,117.92	13,000.00	15,531.25	(2,531.25)	62,125.00
6005	RBMB Watermaster Fees	0.00	1,622.92	(1,622.92)	0.00	4,868.75	(4,868.75)	19,475.00
6015	General Manager Compensation	15,815.84	16,720.75	(904.91)	31,404.26	50,162.25	(18,757.99)	200,649.00
6017	Administrative Travel	0.00	266.50	(266.50)	0.00	799.50	(799.50)	3,198.00
6020	Board of Directors Comp.	600.00	750.00	(150.00)	1,200.00	2,250.00	(1,050.00)	9,000.00
6021	Administrative/Board Expense	0.00	427.08	(427.08)	311.55	1,281.25	(969.70)	5,125.00
6022	Boad of Directors Election	0.00	1,041.67	(1,041.67)	0.00	3,125.00	(3,125.00)	12,500.00
6024	Customer/Public Information	352.00	1,288.92	(936.92)	1,404.00	3,866.75	(2,462.75)	15,467.00
6025	CalPERS - KID	4,844.40	4,875.00	(30.60)	10,020.74	14,625.00	(4,604.26)	58,500.00
6030	Social Security - KID	3,737.04	3,819.58	(82.54)	7,680.96	11,458.75	(3,777.79)	45,835.00
6031	Medicare - KID	874.02	944.17	(70.15)	1,796.41	2,832.50	(1,036.09)	11,330.00
6035	Office/Computer Supplies	119.09	600.83	(481.74)	696.36	1,802.50	(1,106.14)	7,210.00

Kinneloa Irrigation District
Income Statement Compared with Budget For the Two Months Ending February 28, 2026

		Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Current Month Variance	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	Year to Date Variance	Annual Budget
6036	Postage/Delivery	0.00	343.33	(343.33)	1,076.88	1,030.00	46.88	4,120.00
6040	Professional Dues	3,378.80	1,801.33	1,577.47	3,378.80	5,404.00	(2,025.20)	21,616.00
6045	Legal Services	1,096.60	515.00	581.60	1,394.52	1,545.00	(150.48)	6,180.00
6050	Phone/Internet/Wireless	478.72	729.58	(250.86)	1,017.87	2,188.75	(1,170.88)	8,755.00
6059	Computer/Software Maint.	532.88	1,098.67	(565.79)	8,234.85	3,296.00	4,938.85	13,184.00
6061	Office Equipment Maint.	0.00	214.58	(214.58)	0.00	643.75	(643.75)	2,575.00
6065	Accounting Services	0.00	660.92	(660.92)	503.04	1,982.75	(1,479.71)	7,931.00
6070	Office & Accounting Labor	14,427.52	14,878.17	(450.65)	30,134.26	44,634.50	(14,500.24)	178,538.00
6075	Professional Services	1,907.71	1,281.25	626.46	3,022.96	3,843.75	(820.79)	15,375.00
6076	Contract Services	2,175.00	4,082.83	(1,907.83)	4,350.00	12,248.50	(7,898.50)	48,994.00
6080	FMWD Administrative Fees	1,103.70	1,254.58	(150.88)	2,273.20	3,763.75	(1,490.55)	15,055.00
6081	Permits/Fees	0.00	1,293.75	(1,293.75)	0.00	3,881.25	(3,881.25)	15,525.00
6120	Bank Service Charges	2,549.88	2,587.50	(37.62)	5,125.97	7,762.50	(2,636.53)	31,050.00
Subtotal Operating Expenses		133,826.30	155,653.33	(21,827.03)	289,823.71	466,960.00	(177,136.29)	1,867,840.00
NET OPERATING INCOME		11,273.81	12,925.93	(1,652.12)	65,499.49	(116,228.93)	181,728.42	994,837.00
Other Expenditures								
1504	Water Mains/Valves	0.00	4,166.67	(4,166.67)	27,536.00	12,500.00	15,036.00	50,000.00
1505	Water Tunnels	0.00	875.00	(875.00)	0.00	2,625.00	(2,625.00)	10,500.00
1512	Water Meters	22,865.67	2,187.50	20,678.17	22,865.67	6,562.50	16,303.17	26,250.00
1513	Electrical/Electronic Equip.	0.00	875.00	(875.00)	0.00	2,625.00	(2,625.00)	10,500.00
1514	Computer/Office Equip.	0.00	214.58	(214.58)	0.00	643.75	(643.75)	2,575.00
1515	Vehicles/Portable Equip.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1516	Water Company Facilities	23,297.00	1,666.67	21,630.33	23,397.00	5,000.00	18,397.00	20,000.00
1522	Eucalyptus Booster Station	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1527	SCADA Components	6,155.50	875.00	5,280.50	6,155.50	2,625.00	3,530.50	10,500.00
1530	Tools	0.00	416.67	(416.67)	0.00	1,250.00	(1,250.00)	5,000.00
Subtotal Other Expenditures		52,318.17	11,277.08	41,041.09	79,954.17	33,831.25	46,122.92	135,325.00
NET WATER REVENUES		(41,044.36)	1,648.84	(42,693.20)	(14,454.68)	(150,060.18)	135,605.50	859,512.00
Debt Service								
2400	Installment Purchase Agreement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
6088	Interest Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
2300	Loan Payment for 2026 CIP	0.00	34,231.42	(34,231.42)	0.00	0.00	0.00	410,777.00
Subtotal Debt Service		0.00	34,231.42	(34,231.42)	0.00	0.00	0.00	410,777.00
TOTAL INCREASE/(DRAWDOWN)		(41,044.36)	(32,582.57)	(8,461.79)	(14,454.68)	(150,060.18)	135,605.50	448,735.00

Kinneloa Irrigation District

Balance Sheet as of February 28, 2026

ASSETS

Current Assets

1010	Checking-Wells Fargo Bank	\$	118,947.39
1012	Reserve Fund-LAIF		965,961.88
1100	Accts. Receivable-Water Sales		50,455.87
1101	Accts. Receiv.-Service Charges		2,597.50
1108	AR Public Asst. - Federal		198,249.92
1109	AR Public Asst. - State		0.00
1190	Allowance for Bad Debts		(771.48)
1200	Inventory		20,000.00
1340	Accrued Water Sales		141,700.16
1360	Prepaid Expenses		8,007.44
	Total Current Assets		<u>1,505,148.68</u>

Property and Equipment

Total Property and Equipment	<u>5,316,504.89</u>
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Other Assets

1901	PERS-Deferred Outflows	\$	132,752.00
	Total Assets		<u><u>6,954,405.57</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Current Liabilities

2000	Accounts Payable	\$	24,831.24
2005	Umpqua Visa Payable		5,547.88
2271	Deposits-Construction Meters		850.00
2272	Job Deposits		19,284.95
2275	Deposits-Water Customers		1,544.91
2290	Accrued Vacation		<u>35,030.40</u>
	Total Current Liabilities		87,089.38

Long-Term Liabilities

2400	Installment Purchase Agreement	\$	822,564.17
2801	PERS- Net Liability		419,648.50
2901	PERS- Deferred Inflows		<u>34,282.00</u>
	Total Long-Term Liabilities		<u>1,276,494.67</u>
	Total Liabilities		1,363,584.05

Capital

3040	Fund Balance	\$	5,525,322.06
	Net Income		<u>65,499.49</u>
	Total Capital		<u>5,590,821.55</u>
	Total Liabilities & Capital		<u><u>6,954,405.60</u></u>

Kinneloa Irrigation District
Check Register
For the Period From Feb 1, 2026 To Feb 28, 2026

Date	Check #	Payee	Amount
02/03/2026	11621	McMaster Carr	-1,191.50
02/03/2026	11622	Bluegrass Communications	-539.18
02/03/2026	11623	Waypoint Geospatial LLC	-4,200.00
02/03/2026	11624	BMC Landscape Management	-2,175.00
02/03/2026	11625	Geotab USA, Inc.	-98.75
02/03/2026	11626	Pump Check Inc.	-2,800.00
02/04/2026	11628	Superior Fire Protection	-650.00
02/04/2026	11630	California Rural Water Association	-821.00
02/09/2026	11631	Foothill Municipal Water District	-1,103.70
02/10/2026	11632	Raymond Basin Management Board	-8,198.60
02/10/2026	11633	ACWA JPIA	-11,918.49
02/17/2026	EFT7039	Southern California Edison Co.	-14,337.70
02/17/2026	EFT7040	CA Public Employees Ret. Sys.	-9,914.64
02/17/2026	EFT7041	CalPERS 457 Plan	-1,232.17
02/17/2026	EFT7042	CalPERS 457 Plan	-1,232.17
02/17/2026	EFT7043	Automatic Data Processing, Inc.	-299.69
02/17/2026	EFT7044	Applied Technology Group, Inc.	-120.00
02/17/2026	EFT7045	Ultimate Cleaning Solutions, Inc.	-90.00
02/17/2026	EFT7046	Underground Service Alert	-50.85
02/17/2026	EFT7047	Nexbillpay	-1,817.38
02/17/2026	EFT7048	Streamline	-352.00
02/17/2026	EFT7049	Spectrum	-56.92
02/17/2026	EFT7050	Umpqua Bank	-4,269.59
02/17/2026	EFT7051	Payroll - Office	-5,126.31
02/17/2026	EFT7052	Payroll - Field	-11,200.29
02/17/2026	EFT7053	Payroll - Management	-4,529.36
02/17/2026	EFT7054	Automatic Data Processing, Inc.	-8,059.62
02/18/2026	EFT7055	Badger Meter Inc	-22,865.67
02/18/2026	11634	Generator Services Co.	-821.00
02/18/2026	11635	Public Water Agencies Group	-2,242.80
02/19/2026	11636	ACCO Engineered Systems	-23,297.00
02/19/2026	11637	Civiltec Engineering, Inc.	-4,095.00
02/20/2026	11638	BMC Landscape Management	-2,175.00
02/20/2026	11639	Lagerlof LLP	-1,096.60
02/20/2026	11641	Cricket Scada LLC	-6,155.50
02/24/2026	11642	Clinical Lab of San Bernardino	-330.00
02/24/2026	EFT7056	Nexbillpay	-351.35
02/24/2026	EFT7057	Pasadena Municipal Services	-1,968.29
02/24/2026	EFT7058	Arco Business Solutions	-681.16
02/24/2026	EFT7059	CalPERS 457 Plan	-1,232.17
02/24/2026	EFT7060	Spectrum	-200.00
02/27/2026	EFT7061	Verizon Wireless 1	-38.37
02/28/2026	EFT7062	National Construction Rentals	-196.05
02/28/2026	EFT7063	Automatic Data Processing, Inc.	-121.03
02/28/2026	EFT7064	Payroll - Office	-5,126.29
02/28/2026	EFT7065	Payroll - Management	-4,511.76
02/28/2026	EFT7066	Payroll - Board	-554.08
02/28/2026	EFT7067	Payroll - Field	-10,942.13
02/28/2026	EFT7068	Automatic Data Processing, Inc.	-7,996.03
TOTAL			-193,382.19

Kinneloa Irrigation District
Cash Disbursements Journal
For the Period From Feb 1, 2026 to Feb 28, 2026

Date	Check #	Name	Memo/Description	Cr ID	Account Description	Amount
02/01/2026	20260201FG-1	Amazon	Office Supplies	5010	Maintenance Supplies	20.98
02/01/2026	20260201FG-2	Amazon	Office Supplies	5010	Maintenance Supplies	75.02
02/01/2026	20260201FG-1	HOME DEPOT	Flashlight, Valve	5010	Maintenance Supplies	75.81
02/02/2026	20260202TM-1	GOOGLE LLC	Google Cloud	6059	Computer/Software Maint.	78.09
02/02/2026	20260202TM-2	GOOGLE LLC	Google Cloud	6059	Computer/Software Maint.	184.80
02/03/2026	20260203MA-1	Ralphs	Office Supplies	6035	Office/Computer Supplies	33.99
02/03/2026	20260203JP-1	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Vehicle Supplies	5035	Vehicle Maintenance	13.79
02/04/2026	20260204JP-1	Airgas	Nitro Tank for K3	5010	Maintenance Supplies	63.90
02/08/2026	20260208RA-1	HOME DEPOT	Villa Knolls Tools	5010	Maintenance Supplies	92.86
02/8/2026	20260208FG-1	HOME DEPOT	Hose	5010	Maintenance Supplies	279.43
02/11/2026	20260211JP-1	Interstate Battery Systems	Batteries	5035	Vehicle Maintenance	206.94
02/11/2026	20260211TM-1	STARLINK	Internet	6059	Computer/Software Maint.	10.00
02/11/2026	20260211FG-1	Amazon	Tape	5010	Maintenance Supplies	49.73
02/11/2026	20260211FG-2	Amazon	Reamer	5010	Maintenance Supplies	98.92
02/12/2026	20260212MA-1	Ware Disposal	Trash Service	6075	Professional Services	509.79
02/12/2026	20260212FG-1	FedEx	Package Drop off	6075	Professional Services	1.76
02/12/2026	20260212FG-1	Amazon	Rerounding Tool	5919	Maintenance Supplies	89.15
02/13/2026	20260213CB-1	AutoZone	Oil	5935	Vehicle Maintenance	52.76
02/13/2026	20260213JP-1	HOME DEPOT	Batteries	5919	Maintenance Supplies	148.18
02/13/2026	20260213KM-1	Amazon	Office Supplies	6035	Office/Computer Supplies	25.33
02/13/2026	20260213MA-1	Ralphs	Office Supplies	6035	Office/Computer Supplies	22.09
02/15/2026	20260215FG-1	Ganahl Lumber	Tape, Pump	5010	Maintenance Supplies	77.87
02/15/2026	20260215RA-1	HOME DEPOT	Supplies	5010	Maintenance Supplies	531.90
02/15/2026	20260215JP-1	Arco Business Solutions	Lube, Oil, Filter	5036	Fuel - All Equipment	110.29
02/19/2026	20260219TM-1	Blue Cactus Printing	T Shirt Printing	5012	Safety Equipment	1,108.97
02/19/2026	20260219TM-2	SimpliSafe	SimpliSafe	6059	Computer/Software Maint.	9.99
02/20/2026	20260220FG-1	Amazon	Extinguisher Tags	5010	Maintenance Supplies	19.88
02/22/2026	20260222FG-1	HOME DEPOT	Ladder	5010	Maintenance Supplies	122.90
02/22/2026	20260222JP-1	HOME DEPOT	Trowel, Pry Bar	5010	Maintenance Supplies	47.15
02/24/2026	20260224FG-1	Amazon	Hook	5010	Maintenance Supplies	41.87
02/24/2026	20260224FG-1	Amazon	Office Supplies	6035	Office/Computer Supplies	25.55
02/24/2026	20260225KM-1	Foothill Lock & Key 1	Lock Service	6075	Professional Services	250.00
02/25/2026	20260225KM-1	Foothill Lock & Key 1	Lock Service	6075	Professional Services	388.54
02/25/2026	20260225KM-1	AT&T Mobility	FirstNet	6050	Phone/Internet/Wireless	63.43
02/26/2026	20260226TM-1	American Water Works Association	Sampling Class - JP	6040	Professional Dues	315.00
02/26/2026	20260226FG-1	MK Battery	Batteries	5010	Maintenance Supplies	225.38
02/27/2026	20260227MA-1	Ralphs	Office Supplies	6035	Office/Computer Supplies	12.13
02/27/2026	20260227KM-1	Interstate Battery Systems	Batteries	5035	Vehicle Maintenance	63.71
TOTAL						\$5,547.88



MEMORANDUM

TO: PRESIDING OFFICER OF EACH INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT IN
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FROM: WILLIAM F. KRUSE

RE: BALLOT; SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO REPRESENTATIVE

DATE: March 9, 2026

Enclosed is the Ballot and the supplementary materials submitted for each of the candidates for Special District LAFCO **VOTING MEMBER** for the term expiring in May 2030. Nominations closed as of 5:00 p.m. on March 6, 2026.

Please vote for ONE candidate for the position. The marked ballot should be placed in the envelope marked "Ballot Envelope" and sealed. Please write the name of your agency and sign your name on the outside of the ballot envelope and return the completed ballot by mail to:

William F. Kruse, Esq.
Lagerlof, LLP
155 N. Lake Avenue, 11th Floor
Pasadena, CA 91101.

No ballot will be counted if it is missing the name of the voting agency and the signature of the Presiding Officer on the ballot envelope.

The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be declared the Special District **Voting Member** to LAFCO.

Ballots must be returned by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 1, 2026.

WFK/kn
Enclosures

cc(w/ encls.): Paul Novak

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155 N Lake Avenue, 11th Flr
Pasadena, CA 91101

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BALLOT

SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO VOTING MEMBER

Please vote for no more than one candidate.

☐

GARY BURNS

Occupation: Board of Directors

Sponsor: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

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VERA ROBLES DeWITT

Occupation: Board of Directors

Sponsor: Water Replenishment District of Southern California

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ROBERT W. LEWIS

Occupation: Board of Directors

Sponsor: Rowland Water District

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Date: 3/6/26

Name of Candidate: Gary Burns

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

is pleased to nominate

Gary Burns

as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Board of Directors

Agency: Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Type of Agency: Special District Water and Wastewater

Term Expires: December 2026

Residence Address: 22118 Dardenne St. Calabasas CA 91302

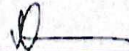
Telephone: 818-326-2000

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

(Name of Agency)

By:



Its:

Andy Coradeschi, Board President

NOMINATION

Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO):

Nomination of Candidate for Special District Board Member

Gary Burns, Candidate for LAFCO Member Position 2026

I would like to thank each district board as I am asking for your vote, to become a full member of the LAFCO Board.

It is time to add "fresh" ideas and excitement to how LAFCO communicates and operates. To that end, please call me at 818 326 2000 to discuss your specific issues. I will listen intently, absorbing your insight.

I hope to visit each of your Board Meetings via zoom or in person to introduce myself, listen to what is important to your district and provide the confidence that I can lead LAFCO into the future.

I desire to serve as a LAFCO Board Member to further serve the community, each of our districts and provide "new" and "environmental" input to the Los Angeles Region and the Supervisors we report to. Few citizens know what LAFCO accomplishes or what the initials stand for. I intend to change that.

As with the homeowners of Calabasas and the entire www.LVMWD.com area, I am available to advocate for or listen to constituents whenever needed. I pledge to do the same for ALL LAFCO Districts.

Gary Burns was elected to the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District Board in 2022. (Division 3, currently Secretary). He is the first Calabasas resident to serve on the District Water Board. **Since his time on the District Board, he has imbued his efforts with energy and the desire to effect change.** He has visited various local and state water facilities and Districts. **He is a member of ACWA, CASA, WaterReuse and has attended their conventions throughout the year, attaining insight into District, State and Water Policy. He is serving on the Business Development Committee of ACWA Region 8. He is championing a Heli-Hydrant project with Los Angeles County Fire, the City of Calabasas and the local Council of Governments.**

In his efforts to search for new sources of water, Gary has visited the future SITES Reservoir Project, the Delta Project, and various Metropolitan Water District facilities, including the in-development Carson Pure Water Plant, etc. His goal is to ensure there is a sufficient water supply for future generations, while preserving the environment in Southern California, the State of California, and the United States.

Growing up on the East Coast, Gary moved to California in 1989, watched the City of Calabasas incorporate in 1991 and has been a resident of Calabasas for the past 35 years. He attended Fairleigh Dickenson (FDU) and Hofstra University where he received a BA and Master's in Psychology and an MBA in Business and Finance.

Gary has been President of the Mulholland Heights Homeowners Association for the past 10 years. Currently, he is a Board Member of The Valley Economic Alliance (www.thevalley.net) Community Associations Institute, 2018 - 2024 (CAI of Greater Los Angeles County), a Board Member of CAI International, National Homeowner Leaders Council 2021 – 2024 and recognized by CAI Los Angeles for Excellence in Community Leadership.

He is also a founding member of EPIC, (Emergency Preparedness in Calabasas, www.epic-fsc.com), volunteers for many local community activities, and is a Life and Health Insurance Broker (<https://garyburns.businsslinksolutions.net>).

Thank You for your vote and consideration of Gary Burns for LAFCO Board Member (818 326 2000 mobile/text)

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Sergio Calderon

Date: 3-3-26

Name of Candidate: Vera Robles DeWitt

Sergio Calderon is pleased to nominate
Vera Robles DeWitt as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Director, Treasurer Div 5

Agency: Water Replenishment District of So Cal
WRD

Type of Agency: Groundwater Replenishment

Term Expires: Nov 2029

Residence Address: 24728 Panama Avenue
Carson, California 90745

Telephone: 310 505-8353

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Water Replenishment District of So. Calif (WRD)
(Name of Agency)

By: [Signature]

Its: President, Board of Directors

NOMINATION



LAFCO

Independent Special District Member
Candidate Statement

Vera Robles DeWitt

I respectfully seek your support for my candidacy to represent you as your representative on the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) as the designee for all Independent Special Districts.

I currently serve as an elected Director for the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD). I have served continuously on the WRD Board since 2018 and was overwhelmingly re-elected in November 2024. I was directly elected to represent an area with 738,851 residents that encompasses 14 special Districts; specifically, the following:

- 16 school districts
- 29 water districts
- And for geographic context 10 cities, Bellflower, Carson, Downey, Hacienda Heights, La Habra Heights, La Mirada, Norwalk, Paramount, Santa Fe Springs and Whittier along with numerous unincorporated areas of LA County.

During my tenure I have made it a point to know and visit all special districts because I want to be accessible and available to you, which is what I promise to be if you elect me as your Independent Special District representative to LAFCO.

BACKGROUND

For years I have been involved in many civic/non-profit programs. In 1992 I was the founding president of our local chapter of the Boys and Girls Club, and a founding board member of the Dominguez Family Shelter for abused and battered women. I am on the board of directors for the Carson Community Foundation and currently serve as Vice President of my local Kiwanis Club. Also, for the last eight years I've served as a member of the Executive Board for the South County Labor, AFL-CIO. And for the last 3 years have served as a board member representing a special district on the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (JPIA) formed for mitigating the growing risks of public agencies.

I have been a homeowner since 1964, and as a single parent I raised one son, a member of IBEW Local 47 and one granddaughter who is a commercial airline pilot Captain.

I would be honored to represent you and promise to provide you with updates of LAFCO's activities so you are no longer in the dark left wondering what is going on at LAFCO, and with your support I look forward to contributing in a meaningful way to LAFCO and be a compelling voice for you and on behalf of all Independent Special Districts.

Vera Robles DeWitt
310 505.8353
Veradewitt22@gmail.com

NOMINATION
OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **VOTING MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Rowland Water District

Date: February 23, 2026

Name of Candidate: Robert W. Lewis

Rowland Water District is pleased to nominate
Robert W. Lewis as a candidate for appointment as special district **voting**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Director, Division IV

Agency: Rowland Water District

Type of Agency: Special District Water Agency

Term Expires: December 2026

Residence Address: 2231 S. Fullerton Road Unit #8,
Rowland Heights, CA 91748

Telephone: 626-964-0875

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Rowland Water District
(Name of Agency)

By: [Signature]

Its: Board President

NOMINATION



LAFCO Candidate Statement

Robert W. Lewis

As the incumbent Special District Voting Member to the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission, I am respectfully seeking reappointment to continue the work I have been privileged to take part in. With nearly 34 years of service to Rowland Water District and its ratepayers, and direct experience serving on this Commission, I bring institutional knowledge and operational continuity that serves LAFCO and the public it represents.

Residents rightly expect their government to operate with full transparency and accountability. As LAFCO's special district representative, I have embraced that responsibility in every matter before the Commission. Whether reviewing agency boundaries, evaluating service adequacy, or weighing consolidation decisions, I have applied a consistent standard: the public must be able to understand what is being decided, why it is being decided, and how it serves their interests. Reappointment means that standard continues without interruption.

My career in local government began on the City of Fullerton's Redevelopment Commission and has grown into decades of active participation across regional water, utility, and policy bodies. This experience has given me a firsthand understanding of how agencies interact, where collaboration succeeds, and where gaps in coordination create real costs for communities. I currently represent Rowland Water District across the following:



Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Region 8 Board Member; ACWA is a statewide industry group that monitors and influences legislation and policies affecting water supply



ACWA/Joint Powers Insurance Authority Alternate Voting Representative



Puente Basin Water Agency Board of Commissioners; this commission coordinates and secures supplemental funding for projects that improve regional water quality



California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA); this association represents its members' interests on energy and water issues before the California Legislature, the Governor's Office, and regulatory bodies



San Gabriel Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee Member



Several LAFCO Committees, including the Special Districts Ad Hoc Committee in the 1990s which was instrumental in establishing the LAFCO Special Districts seat, a seat I have now had the honor of holding as the incumbent voting member.

Continuity at the Commission level produces results. As the sitting voting member, I have developed working relationships with fellow commissioners, county staff, and agency representatives that allow business to move forward efficiently and collaboratively. The institutional memory I hold, from the history of the Special Districts seat itself to the current landscape of service challenges across Los Angeles County, is an asset that reappointment preserves.

I am proud of the record built during my tenure and remain fully committed to the responsibilities this seat carries. I respectfully request reappointment as the Special District Voting Member to LAFCO for the County of Los Angeles and look forward to continuing this important work on behalf of the districts and residents we serve.



MEMORANDUM

TO: PRESIDING OFFICER OF EACH INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT IN
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

FROM: WILLIAM F. KRUSE

RE: ELECTION OF LAFCO ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE (UNOPPOSED)

DATE: March 9, 2026

The nomination for LAFCO Alternate Representative closed as of 5:00 p.m. on March 6, 2026. One (1) nomination was received for LAFCO Alternate Representative. The results are as follows:

JORGE MARQUEZ

Mr. Marquez will serve as Alternate LAFCO Representative with his term beginning on Monday, May 4, 2026.

WFK/kn
Enclosures

cc(w/ encls.): Paul Novak

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OF
INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT **ALTERNATE MEMBER**
TO THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

To: Independent Special District Selection Committee

From: Three Valleys Municipal Water District

Date: February 10, 2026

Name of Candidate: Jorge Marquez

Three Valleys Municipal Water District is pleased to nominate

Jorge Marquez as a candidate for appointment as special district **alternate**

member to the Los Angeles Local Agency Formation Commission. The nominee is an elected official or a member of the board of an independent special district appointed for a fixed term. For your consideration, we submit the following additional information together with a resume of the candidate's qualifications.

Elective office: Board of Directors

Agency: Three Valleys Municipal Water District

Type of Agency: Special District - Wholesale Water Agency

Term Expires: December 2028

Residence Address: 1747 Home Terrace Dr., Pomona, CA 91768

Telephone: 626-991-0247

PLEASE ATTACH RESUME OR CANDIDATE STATEMENT (limit one page)

Three Valleys Municipal Water District

(Name of Agency)

By: Matthew H. Litchfield, P.E.

Its: General Manager/Chief Engineer



**RESUME FOR LOCAL AGENCY
FORMATION COMMISSION FOR
THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

Alternate Member

**JORGE A.
MARQUEZ**

DIRECTOR, THREE VALLEYS MWD

CONTACT



626-991-0247



jmarquez@tvmwd.com



www.tvmwd.com

PERSONAL

- Real Estate Agent
- Government Affairs Consultant
- Married and a Father
- Member of Various Service Clubs
- Educator

EDUCATION

- **B.A Political Science & Minor
Communications Studies**
Cal Poly Pomona
2006

PUBLIC SERVICE HISTORY

I respectfully submit my resume for the alternate member position for LAFCO. I have two decades of experience in legislative affairs and local government across Los Angeles County and the San Gabriel Valley. My career in public service began in 2006 as a legislative staffer in the California State Assembly and later the State Senate, where for 12 years I worked on policy issues including water, housing, and public safety. In 2013, I was elected to the Covina City Council, where I served until 2022. During my tenure, I represented the region on multiple regional governing bodies. In 2024, I was elected to the Three Valleys Municipal Water District. This combination of state legislative experience and local elected service has prepared me to be a collaborative and effective partner for this position.

PUBLIC SERVICE TIMELINE HIGHLIGHTS

- **COVINA CITY COUNCIL**

2013-2022 (City Council) Mayor (2017-2018; 2021-2022)

- **SAN GABRIEL BASIN WATER QUALITY AUTHORITY**

2017-2022 (Boardmember) Chairman (2017-2020)

- **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS**

2019-2022 (Regional Councilmember District 33)

2020-2022 (Chairman Community, Economic, and Human Development Committee)

- **THREE VALLEYS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

2024-present (Director Division 6)

SB 1153 (Caballero)

Water Systems and Wildfire Preparedness

February 2026

Background

California faces catastrophic climate-driven wildfires, exacerbated by periods of heavy rainfall followed by periods of extreme drought, decades of fire suppression, and historically limited focus on forest health and vegetation management projects. These wildfires place extraordinary demands on water systems.

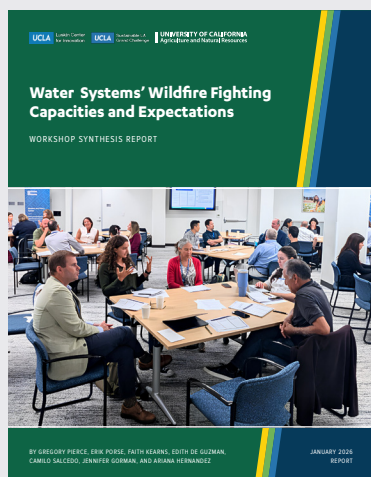
Despite these demands, public water agencies are making investments to adapt to climate change, including preparing for catastrophic wildfires. Water agencies also take specific actions in response to wildfire events. The investments and activities of each agency vary based on the needs of that agency and area of the state.

Public water systems are designed to provide customers with safe, reliable drinking water and aid in structural firefighting for the properties they serve. They are not designed, intended or funded to supply the significant volume of water necessary for large-scale

wildfire defense and suppression, and doing so would be physically impracticable, financially infeasible, and would compromise water quality and affordability.

Water systems can become overwhelmed when too many fire hydrants are used within the same pressure zone. For a structural fire, there might be three to five fire engines responding to the fire. For a wildfire, there can be hundreds of fire engines hooked up to the same system. Wildfires can also damage pipelines, storage tanks, and power infrastructure, further limiting system performance.

Misunderstandings of the limitations of public water systems have led to unrealistic public expectations and have resulted in the public perception that water systems underperformed following a wildfire event. Following major wildfire events, public water agencies have increasingly faced claims and lawsuits for wildfire damages. The financial burden of litigation ultimately is borne by ratepayers, impacting water affordability.



“Participants reached a strong consensus that water systems have a limited and inherently constrained role in wildfire suppression. Hydrants, storage, and pipe networks are neither required nor engineered to deliver the sustained flows and pressures required to stop fast-moving, multi-block fires. Yet public perception, misinformation, and fragmented communication have created unrealistic expectations and, at times, misplaced blame. Workshop discussions emphasized the need for clearer communication with policymakers and the public; improved coordination among water systems, fire agencies, and emergency response entities; and careful evaluation of trade-offs in proposed infrastructure or operational interventions.”

— UCLA Luskin Center for Innovation

The University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Luskin Center for Innovation published a report titled, “[Water Systems' Wildfire Fighting Capacities and Expectations](#),” which synthesizes insights from a workshop of 42 experts representing water agencies, fire services, regulators, researchers, and technical assistance providers.

Existing Law

- › State law recognizes that water service is distinct from fire service. Hydrants are generally designed to protect properties served by the water provider — not wildfire suppression.
- › The California Emergency Services Act requires public water systems with 10,000+ service connections to review and revise their disaster preparedness plans in conjunction with related agencies, to ensure the plans address possible disaster scenarios.
- › The federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires certain public water systems to maintain emergency response plans to address risks to drinking water infrastructure and public health.

How SB 1153 Would Help

- › Strengthen preparedness by requiring urban retail water suppliers in high and very high fire hazard severity zones to incorporate wildfire-specific response procedures into existing emergency plans, beginning January 1, 2028.
- › Establish that water supply or pressure limitations during a wildfire are not a substantial cause of wildfire damages.
- › Affirm system design limits by recognizing that wildfire spread is not an inherent risk of water system design.

By improving wildfire planning and resilience while recognizing the physical and financial limits of water infrastructure, this bill protects ratepayers, supports emergency response, and ensures the long-term reliability of California's drinking water systems.



Contact

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Month Day, 2026

The Honorable Chair of Committee
Chair, Senate Name of Committee
Address, Room #
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 1153 (Caballero) – Support

Dear Chair Name:

On behalf of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) and the undersigned organizations, we are writing to express our support for SB 1153, which would require urban retail water suppliers serving high-risk areas to include wildfire response procedures within their emergency response plans to bolster wildfire planning efforts. The bill would also clarify the role of public water agencies in wildfire response, including the limitations of water systems.

Over the last decade, California has faced some of the largest and most destructive wildfires in history, placing extraordinary demands on public water systems and customers. Despite these demands, public water systems are investing and taking actions to prepare for future wildfire events through emergency preparedness and planning actions, which vary based on the needs of the system and area of the state. Emergency preparedness and planning actions include infrastructure investments; drills and tabletop exercises with local government, fire departments, and other stakeholders to test communications and response systems ahead of wildfires; and emergency communication plans to notify customers about service impacts, water quality, advisories, and safety guidance during wildfire emergencies.

SB 1153 would build upon existing emergency planning requirements and strengthen wildfire preparedness by requiring all urban retail water suppliers serving a high or very high fire hazard severity zone to incorporate a specific planning element regarding wildfire preparedness and response into their disaster preparedness and emergency response plans. The bill would require these plans to include mitigation actions, procedures, and equipment that can obviate or significantly lessen the impacts of wildfires on water infrastructure and the supply of drinking water. Water agencies would have until January 1, 2028, to develop and incorporate wildfire response procedures within their plans, which would result in water agencies in high-risk areas all looking into their plans at the same time, therefore creating more opportunities for coordination and collaboration.

In January of this year, the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Luskin Center for Innovation published a report which synthesizes insights from a workshop of 42 experts representing water agencies, fire services, regulators, researchers, and technical assistance providers. The report stated that, "Participants reached a strong consensus that water systems have a limited and inherently constrained role in wildfire suppression. Hydrants, storage, and pipe networks are neither required nor engineered to deliver the sustained flows and pressures required to stop fastmoving, multi-block fires.

Yet public perception, misinformation, and fragmented communication have created unrealistic expectations and, at times, misplaced blame. Workshop discussions emphasized the need for clearer communication with policymakers and the public; improved coordination among water systems, fire agencies, and emergency response entities; and careful evaluation of trade-offs in proposed infrastructure or operational interventions.”

As wildfires become more frequent and destructive across California, misunderstandings of public water systems have led to unrealistic public expectations and have resulted in the public perception that water systems may have underperformed during a wildfire event. Following major wildfire events, public water agencies have increasingly faced claims and lawsuits for wildfire damages. The financial burden of litigation is ultimately borne by customers, impacting water affordability.

In alignment with UCLA’s findings, SB 1153 would include legislative findings and declarations which illustrate that while public water systems are designed to aid in firefighting, they are not intentionally designed or constructed for wildfire defense or suppression and that doing so would be physically impracticable, financially infeasible, and may compromise the quality and affordability of water. The bill would also establish that the inability of a public water system to maintain water supply or water pressure during a wildfire shall not be considered a substantial cause of the damages resulting from a wildfire and that the spread of wildfire is not an inherent risk presented by the deliberate design, construction, or maintenance of a public water system.

California must acknowledge the limited role of our public water systems, support their efforts to adapt to climate change, and prepare for future long-term investments in disaster response. For these reasons, ACWA and the undersigned organizations support SB 1153 and respectfully request your “AYE” vote when the bill is heard in the Senate Name of Committee. If you have any questions about our position, please contact Kylie Wright at KylieW@acwa.com.

Sincerely,

Kylie Wright
Policy Advocate
Association of California Water Agencies

System Water Loss Audit - February 2026

Subeca Read Date	1/31/26	2/28/26				
Subeca Read Time	15:10	13:03			Variance	
	Level	Level	Variance	Gal/Foot	Gallons	
Eucalyptus Reservoir	20.10	20.62	0.52	8,410.00	4,373.20	
Sage Tank	21.82	21.81	(0.01)	10,000.00	(100.00)	
West Tank	19.30	20.63	1.33	22,000.00	29,260.00	
Wilcox Reservoir	19.42	19.51	0.09	65,739.00	5,916.51	
Holly East	21.76	20.44	(1.32)	6,388.00	(8,432.16)	
Holly West	17.51	16.19	(1.32)	7,610.00	(10,045.20)	
Glen Reservoir	11.60	14.56	2.96	7,812.00	23,123.52	
Brown Reservoir	13.13	14.81	1.68	7,812.00	13,124.16	
Vosburg Reservoir	13.18	13.29	0.11	110,000.00	12,100.00	
East Tank	16.03	17.00	0.34	6,976.00	2,371.84	
			TANK VOLUME CHANGE		71,692	gallons
			TOTAL GROUNDWATER PRODUCED		11,694,980	gallons
				PWP IMPORT	2,254,472	gallons
				PWP EXPORT	(2,742,168)	gallons
			NET KID SYSTEM DEMAND		11,135,592	gallons
					14,887	CCF
				Metered Sales	9,614	CCF
				Loss	5,273	CCF
				Loss	3,944,320	gallons
				Loss %	35.4%	
			Previous Month Loss%		14.5%	
			YTD System Demand		33,006	
			YTD Metered Sales		25,108	
			YTD Loss %		23.9%	

WATER SAMPLE RESULTS SUMMARY
February 2026

SAMPLE DATE	LAB	SOURCE OR DISTRIBUTION	TEST ANALYSIS	DESCRIPTION	# SAMPLES	# TESTS	RESULTS	COMMENTS
2/3/2026	Clinical	Distribution	Bacteriological	Total Coliform, E.coli	6	12	ND	
2/3/2026	Clinical	Distribution	General Physical	Color, Odor, Turbidity	6	18	< MCL	Color, odor, turbidity are regulated by a secondary standard to maintain aesthetic qualities such as taste, smell, & appearance.
2/3/2026	Clinical	Distribution	Field	Chlorine Residual	6	6	1.22 - 1.58 mg/L	District permit requires Chlorine Residual to be > 0.5 mg/L.
2/3/2026	Clinical	Source*	Bacteriological	Total Coliform, E.coli	2	4	ND	1st week sources tested are groundwater wells - Kinneloa #3 Well & Wilcox Well.
2/17/2026	Clinical	Distribution	Bacteriological	Total Coliform, E.coli	6	12	ND	
2/17/2026	Clinical	Distribution	Field	Chlorine Residual	6	6	.96 - 1.46 mg/L	District permit requires Chlorine Residual to be > 0.5 mg/L.
2/17/2026	Clinical	Source*	Bacteriological	Total Coliform, E.coli	2	4	ND	3rd week sources are raw ground water tunnels. All tunnels are diverted to spreading. In-house sampling for Eucalyptus Tunnel & Far Mesa Tunnel only.
2/25/2026	Clinical	Special Inhouse- West Tank #1 & #2	Bacteriological	Total Coliform, E.coli	2	4	ND	Special Sampling for Total Coliform performed for West Tank Washout
2/25/2026	Clinical	Special Inhouse- West Tank #1 & #2	Field	Chlorine Residual	2	2	1.09 & 1.31 mg/L	
1/15/2026	Weck	K3 Well	Perchlorate	Perchlorate	1	1	2.1 µg/L	CA Perchlorate MCL is 6 µg/L (Results Reported in March)
1/15/2026	Weck	Eucalyptus Tunnel	NO3	NO3 as N	1	1	3.7 mg/L	CA NO3 as N MCL is 10 mg/L (Results Reported in March)
1/15/2026	Weck	Wilcox Well	NO3	NO3 as N	1	1	6.0 mg/L	CA NO3 as N MCL is 10 mg/L (Results Reported in March)

Total Samples 41 71

NOTES:

*All source groundwater tunnels were diverted to spreading on 12/01/2023. Delores Tunnel was turned into the system on 5/1/24 and again diverted to spreading on 1/7/25 due to Eaton Fire damage. As of 1/7/2025, all source groundwater tunnels are diverted to spreading.

< MCL = less than Maximum Contaminant Level, ND = not detected, mg/L = milligrams per liter, ug/L = micrograms per liter, A = Absence

3/17/26						
KID Job #	KID Job Name	Summary	Status	2026	2027	2028
25014	SCADA RTU Upgrade Project	With grant assistance from CalOES upgrade all RTU's in SCADA system due to obsolescence	All 16 devices in hand, start programming and install March 2026. Project must be complete by 12/31/2026 per CalOES grant guidelines	\$ 9,204	\$ -	
24113	Brown-Glen Reduced Pressure Zone Project	Extend 12" DIP Vosburg Pressure to Villa Highlands, install PSV/PRV station. Replace all piping, hydrants and services on Edgecliff. Provide connection for future Wilcox to Vosburg Pumping Line	Civiltec Finalizing Bid Package, expected to out for bid early April	\$2,152,800	\$ -	
26004	Lower Pasadena Glen Road Pipeline Replacement	Lower Pasadena Glen Road: Replace 780' of 3" STL to 6" DIP on Vosburg Pressure (14 services, 2 new VPZ hydrants, abandon GV-1&2)	move design forward to 2026, execute concurrently with project 26001 to allow for potential abandonment of Brown-Glen Zone	\$ 855,000	\$ -	
25006	K3 Well/Pump/Motor/Electrical Rehab, new Disinfection Station	Rehab K3 well pump and motor, install new chlorination system and controls, replace electrical MCC due to age/corrosion	KID GM scope memo 75% complete, no design proposal solicited yet; budget assumes \$52,000 in design work in 2026	\$ 52,000	\$ 648,960	
26001	Wilcox Reservoir and Booster Station Rehab	Replaced failing reservoir liner, replace (2) booster pumps, rehab pump platform/enclosure, new pumping line up to Villa Highlands/Dove Court, new backup generator for pump station, solar for non-pumping electrical loads	KID GM scope memo 75% complete, no design proposal solicited yet. Assumes \$156,000 spent in 2026 on design work and planning	\$ 156,000	\$1,695,949	
26003	Eucalyptus Reservoir Rehab Project	While K3 is out of service, bypass Eucalyptus reservoir via PWP connection, fix identified cracks in walls, repair deficient roof hatch, recoat interior of reservoir, remove abandoned piping and valves in reservoir, replace old isolation gate valve at reservoir inlet	KID GM scope memo 75% complete, no design proposal solicited yet		\$ 162,240	
26002	Vosburg Reservoir Resilience Project	Install CSPE liner in concrete reservoir, replace wood framed roof with non-combustible steel or aluminum	2027 Budget includes \$100,000 for complete design work so that grant and other funding opportunities may be pursued for "shovel ready" project of ~\$2.5m		\$ 100,000	
28001	Solar Power Systems at all Generator Powered Sites		conceptual only, no scope defined			\$ 112,486
28002	Backup Generators for Eucalyptus and Vosburg/Sage		conceptual only, no scope defined			\$ 281,216
	SUBTOTAL			\$ 3,255,680	\$ 2,607,149	\$ 393,702

KID MASTER PROJECT LIST

Tasks	Duration	Pred	Start Date	End Date	2026				2027			
					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
4 24113 Brown Glen RPZ and Edgecliff Pipeline Upgrades	165d		03/16/26	10/30/26								
5 Civiltec Final Drafting and Bid Package Prep	15d		03/16/26	04/03/26								
6 Bid and Award	40d	5	04/06/26	05/29/26								
7 Permitting by DDW and LACoPW	20d	5	04/06/26	05/01/26								
8 Submittals and Mobilization	20d	6	06/01/26	06/26/26								
9 Pipeline Installation SMV to PRV Station	30d	8	06/29/26	08/07/26								
10 Cla-Val Fabrication and Delivery	40d	8	06/29/26	08/21/26								
11 PRV Station Install and Commissioning	20d	10	08/24/26	09/18/26								
12 Edgecliff Pipeline Improvements	30d	9	08/10/26	09/18/26								
13 Project Closeout	30d	9, 11, 12	09/21/26	10/30/26								
14												
15 26004 Lower Pasadena Glen Road Pipeline	165d		04/06/26	11/20/26								
16 Civiltec Design Phase	30d	5	04/06/26	05/15/26								
17 Bid and Award	40d	16	05/18/26	07/10/26								
18 Submittals, Procurement and Mobilization	20d	17	07/13/26	08/07/26								
19 Install Mainline and Hydrants	30d	18	08/10/26	09/18/26								
20 Connect Domestic Services	15d	19	09/21/26	10/09/26								
21 Project Closeout	30d	20	10/12/26	11/20/26								
22												
23 25006/P1: K3 WELL REHAB PROJECT	229d		05/26/26	04/09/27								
24 Approve Vendor Contracts	10d		05/26/26	06/08/26								
25 PUMP AND MOTOR	209d		06/09/26	03/26/27								
26 Procure Pump Components	30d	24	06/09/26	07/20/26								
27 Pull Pump and Motor	5d		01/11/27	01/15/27								
28 Offsite Repair of Pump and Motor	30d	27	01/18/27	02/26/27								
29 Reinstall Pump and Motor	5d	28	03/01/27	03/05/27								
30 Startup and Testing Motor and Water Jet System	15d	29	03/08/27	03/26/27								
31 CHLORINATION STATION	219d		06/09/26	04/09/27								
32 Submittal Review/Approval	20d	24	06/09/26	07/06/26								
33 Fabrication and Delivery	40d	24	06/09/26	08/03/26								
34 Decommission/Remove Existing Generation Unit	15d	27	01/18/27	02/05/27								

	Tasks	Duration	Pred	Start Date	End Date	2026				2027			
						Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
35	Install new Chlorination Unit	5d	33, 34	02/08/27	02/12/27						Install new Chlorina		
36	MEP Connections to new Generator	20d	35	02/15/27	03/12/27						MEP Connections		
37	Testing and Startup	10d	36	03/15/27	03/26/27						Testing and Star		
38	SCADA Integration	10d	37, 30	03/29/27	04/09/27						SCADA Integrat		
39													
40	26001 Wilcox Booster Station and Pumping Line Project	360d		04/01/26	08/17/27								
41	Project Scoping Memo Complete	20d		04/01/26	04/28/26		Project Scoping Memo Complete						
42	Design Consultant RFP and Proposals	20d	41	04/29/26	05/26/26		Design Consultant RFP and Proposal						
43	Engage Design Consultant	10d	42	05/27/26	06/09/26		Engage Design Consultant						
44	Design Development	30d	43	06/10/26	07/21/26		Design Development						
45	Estimating and Constructibility Review	20d	44	07/22/26	08/18/26		Estimating and Constructibility F						
46	Construction Documents	30d	45	08/19/26	09/29/26		Construction Documents						
47	Bid and Award	40d	46	09/30/26	11/24/26		Bid and Award						
48	Fabrication and Delivery	80d	47	11/25/26	03/16/27		Fabrication and C						
49	Site Preparation	30d	48	03/17/27	04/27/27		Site Preparatio						
50	Installation	60d	49	04/28/27	07/20/27		Installatic						
51	Startup and Commissioning	20d	50	07/21/27	08/17/27		Startup						

General Manager's Report for the Board of Directors Meeting on March 24, 2026

I. Customer Account Information

A. Customer Accounts – as of 3/16/25

Active accounts: 546 (down from 592 pre-Eaton Fire, disconnected County Parks meter)
Delinquent accounts receiving late charges: 6
Accounts shut off for non-payment: 0
Accounts in current amortization agreements: 1

II. Customer Care Report

Customer Leaks	System Leaks	Water Waste	Water Quality	Customer Service*	Comments
3	0	0	0	12	

* Customer service includes requests for water shutoff to facilitate customer plumbing repairs, inquiries about water bills, requests for leak checks and general questions.

III. General Manager's Projects and Activities

A. Meetings/Outreach/Key Contacts

1. LA County Public Works bi-weekly water systems recovery meetings
2. DHS CISA Cybersecurity Exercise 3/3/26 and 3/5/26
3. PWAG Quarterly Meeting on 2/25/26
4. Pasadena Glen LA County / AD 41 Event 3/14/26
5. KCA Tour on 3/18/26

B. Grant Funding Opportunities

1. Hazard Mitigation Grants: KID staff are monitoring EPA BRIC (Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities) grant opportunities to apply once the PWAG Multi-Agency Hazard Mitigation Plan is complete and approved. **Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan approved by KID BOD at November 2025 meeting, with PWAG Consultant for final FEMA approval.**

C. Office Staff Updates

1. Quickbooks Reconciliation Complete, transitioned from Sage effective 12/31/25
2. Operations Coordinator has relocated out of state; position is fully remote now.

D. System Project Updates

1. **Wilcox Interconnection: All work complete, testing and programming of controls is underway.**
2. **GIS and Asset Management Updates Underway by consultant with field support**
3. **Sage Tank Bi-Annual Washout completed week of 3/9/26**
4. **Valve Exercising for 2026 underway with KID Staff (targeting 100 valves this CY)**
5. **Meter replacement program for 2026 underway (targeting 60 meter swaps this CY)**

E. Regulatory Compliance and Reporting

1. Sanitary Survey Report from DDW received by KID on March 20, 2025. Responses submitted to DDW May 19, 2025.
2. Permit Amendment 1910035PA-001 Issued April 30, 2025, for standby sources
3. Cross Connection Policy Handbook – new policy adopted by KID Board July 2025.
4. 2024 Electronic Annual Report (eAR) Submitted and Accepted by DDW
5. 2024 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) issued with May 2025 bills
6. Fluoride Variance – KID fluoride variance expires on 12/13/23. Compliance Plan submitted to DDW on 7/10/23. Revised permit application and blending plan submitted to DDW on 12/5/24.
7. Monthly Water Quality Reporting – Monthly reporting due by the 10th of each month.
8. Water Quality Emergency Notification Plan – annual requirement, filed timely in March 2025
9. Drought and Conservation Report – required per Order No. DDW_HQ_Drought2023-001 issued on 1/1/23. New requirement for monthly data due quarterly. 2025Q3 report was filed timely.
10. PFOA, PFOS and PFAS Chemicals: Impacts of regulations are being monitored through trade groups that KID is affiliated with and Raymond Basin monitoring.
11. SB 552 – status of compliance, must meet Fire Flow requirements by January 2032. Costs to be considered in Master Planning.
12. SB 1020 – Clean Energy, Jobs, and Affordability Act of 2022 – requires 100% of all state agency electricity consumption to be from renewable and carbon neutral sources by 2035.

* Acronyms:

ACWA – Association of California Water Agencies

ACWA JPIA – Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority

CSDA – California Special Districts Association

CUEA – California Utilities Emergency Association

DDW – Dept. of Drinking Water

DWR – Dept. of Water Resources

FMWD – Foothill Municipal Water District

KID – Kinneloa Irrigation District

LAFCO – Local Agency Formation Commission of Los Angeles County

PWAG – Public Water Agencies Group

RBMB – Raymond Basin Management Board

SWRCB – State Water Resources Control Board

LCRR – Lead and Copper Rule Revisions

IV. Water Supply Summary as 2/28/26 for the Watermaster Year 2025-2026

Raymond Basin Groundwater (Acre Feet)		Kinneloa Irrigation District Water Tunnels (Acre Feet)	
1955 Decreed Rights	516	Holly High-Low	0.0
Less Pasadena Subarea 30% Reduction in Water Rights	-154.8	Eucalyptus	0.0
Net Effective Decreed Rights	361.2		
Prior Year Carryover	51.6	Far Mesa	0.0
Leases/Exchanges	0	House	0.0
Prior Year Spreading	283.5	Delores	0.0
Short Term Storage	248.4		
Total Allowable Extractions	944.7		
Less Water Extracted YTD This Watermaster Year	-386.5	Year to Date Tunnel Production	0.0
Remaining Allowable Groundwater Extractions	558.2	Remaining Estimated Tunnel Production	0.0
Total Available Water Supply (Remaining Allowable Groundwater + Remaining Estimated Tunnel Production through June 2026)		558.2 Acre Feet	
Less Remaining Forecasted Pumping for Retail Water Sales		-190.0 Acre Feet	
Estimated Surplus Water through June 2026**		368.2 Acre Feet	

As of 2/28/26 approximately 6.0 AF excess water delivered to KID from PWP through Ranch Top IC

Total Retail Water Sales for Watermaster Year 2024-2025 = 585.8 Acre-Feet

Total Retail Water Sales for Watermaster Year 2023-2024 = 474.8 Acre-Feet

Total Retail Water Sales for Watermaster Year 2022-2023 = 493.2 Acre-Feet

** This is the forecasted surplus water available for sale in the current year and/or carryover to the next Watermaster year which starts on July 1 subject to the carryover limits established by the Raymond Basin Management Board.