



Southeast Water Coalition

A joint powers authority to protect the Central Groundwater Basin

Meeting Agenda Announcement

Assembly Bill (“AB”) 361, signed into law on September 16, 2021, amends Government Code section 54953 to provide authority and specific requirements for public agencies to hold virtual meetings during a proclaimed state of emergency and remain in compliance with the Brown Act (Gov. Code §§ 54950 et seq.).

Consistent with mandates of AB 361, some, or all, SEWC Board Members may attend this meeting virtually. A physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting or offer public comment will not be made available. Vernon City Hall will not be open to the public for this meeting; however viewing and public comment options are provided below.

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Public Comment/Question options:

- Email: kjservicesenviro@gmail.com
- Voicemail: (323) 583-8811, ext. 888

Please submit email and voicemail public comments by at least 2:30 p.m. on the date of the meeting to ensure SEWC Members receive and have time to review them. All email and voicemails received by 2:30 p.m. are forwarded to SEWC Members. Email and voicemails received after 2:30 p.m. but before the conclusion of the public comment portion will be entered into the record.

AGENDA

SOUTHEAST WATER COALITION

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY

THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2022

3:00 PM

1. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

*****Consent Calendar items will be considered and approved in one motion unless removed by an Administrative Entity Member for discussion.*****

**a. SEWC ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2022
REGULAR MEETING**

Recommendation: Approve minutes as submitted.

**b. MAKE FINDINGS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION
54953(e)(3) ESTABLISHED BY ASSEMBLY BILL 361 - NEW
LEGISLATION REGARDING PUBLIC MEETINGS AND
TELECONFERENCING**

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following actions:

1) Make the following findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3):

a) the Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the COVID-19 state of emergency; and

b) state and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

*****End of Consent Calendar*****

4. SEWC AUDIT FOR FY 2021 / 2022

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon
Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Recommend to the Board of Directors to authorize the City of Vernon's Director of Finance, serving as SEWC Treasurer and Controller, to award a sole source contract to DavisFarr to administer the annual audit of SEWC financial statements for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

5. POTENTIAL PFAS LITIGATION PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon
Nick Ghirelli, Richards, Watson & Gershon (RWG)
Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Consider a request from SEWC Board Member Martinez of the City of Whittier, to schedule a presentation to the full Board of the current litigation actions against the manufacturers and users of PFAS chemicals. Currently both the City of Whittier and the City of Downey are pursuing PFAS litigation.

6. EPA HEALTH ADVISORIES FOR PFAS CHEMICALS

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon
Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Discuss the recent Environmental Protection Agency's announcement of health advisory levels for two PFAS chemicals, PFOA and PFOS and the State Water Board's announcement on PFHxS.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM JUNE SEWC BOARD MEETING

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon
Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following actions:

1. Discuss the public comment received at the June 2, 2022 SEWC Board meeting from resident Leticia Vasquez, also the current Director for Division 1 of the

Central Basin Municipal Water District (CBMWD), to request that CBMWD video tape their meetings and upload them to their website.

2. Discuss an emailed public comment that was received prior to the SEWC Board meeting on June 2nd.

8. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Review the status of the following legislative bills:

SB 1124 – primary drinking water standard – manganese.

AB 1931 – Community water systems: lead service lines

SB 230 – Constituents of Emerging Concern in Drinking Water Program

Review other pending legislation that could affect the SEWC members.

9. AUGUST 4, 2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA

Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: Consider Draft SEWC JPA Board of Directors Agenda

10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

11. ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY MEMBER COMMENTS

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The next meeting of the Southeast Water Coalition Administrative Entity will be on Thursday, September 15, 2022, 3:00pm, at Vernon City Hall, 4305 South Santa Fe Ave., Vernon, CA 90058.

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing agenda was posted in accordance with the applicable legal requirements. Regular and Adjourned Regular meeting agendas may be amended up to 72 hours and

Special meeting agendas may be amended up to 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

Dated: July 14, 2022

By: Sandra Dolson
Administrative Secretary
City of Vernon