



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 POLICY BOARD
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2022
6:30 PM

1. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. SEWC BOARD OF DIRECTOR MINUTES OF AUGUST 4, 2022 REGULAR MEETING

Recommendation: Approve minutes as submitted.

b. WARRANT REGISTER

Recommendation: Approve Warrant Register.

c. 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 Policy Board 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. PFOA / PFOS PROPOSED CERCLA DESIGNATION

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Chelsea E. O'Sullivan, Richards, Watson, and Gershon

Recommendation: That the Board take the following action:

Receive and file an update on the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) proposed addition of PFOA and PFOS to the list of CERCLA contaminants. Also review HR 2467, a House bill that would add PFOS and PFOA to the list of CERCLA hazardous substances in lieu of action taken by the Federal EPA.

5. AB1931 – COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS – LEAD SERVICE LINES - UPDATE

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Recommendation: That the Policy Board take the following action:

Receive and file an update on AB 1931, Community water systems – lead service lines.

At their August 4, 2022 meeting, the Board voted to send a letter in Opposition to AB 1931. On August 11, 2022 the bill was placed in a status of "Held under submission" in the Senate Appropriations committee. This "Held under submission" status resulted in the bill being dead for the legislation session that ended August 31st. The bill can be reintroduced in January 2023, though if it is it must begin the whole legislative process again.

Because AB 1931 was placed in the "Held under submission" status less than one week after the SEWC Board's meeting, no letter of opposition was sent.

6. PURE WATER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PROGRAM

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Bruce Chalmers, Pure Water SoCal program manager, MWD

Recommendation: That the Policy Board take the following action:

Receive and file an update on the Metropolitan Water District's (MWD) and the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County's Pure Water Southern California program.

7. BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMENTS

8. ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY CHAIR / LEAD AGENCY COMMENTS

9. ADJOURNMENT

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The next meeting of the Southeast Water Coalition Policy Board will be on Thursday, December 1, 2022, 6:30pm, 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: October 3, 2022

By: Lisa Umeda

Utilities Compliance Administrator

City of Vernon