



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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AGENDA

SOUTHEAST WATER COALITION

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 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 SEPT. 15, 2022 SPECIAL 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 LETTER TO US EPA REGARDING THE CERCLA LISTING OF PFOA AND PFOS

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Receive and file an update on the letter sent to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) requesting an extension to the comment period for the proposed CERCLA listing of PFOA and PFOS.

5. AB 2449 – NEW LEGISLATION REGARDING TELECONFERENCING

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Receive and file an update on AB 2449's new requirements for teleconferencing and the expected end of Governor Newsom's Covid 19 emergency declaration on February 28, 2023.

6. NOTIFICATION LEVEL ESTABLISHED FOR PERFLUOROHEXANE SULFONIC ACID (PFHxS)

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Receive and file an update on the establishment by the California Water Boards of a Proposed Notification Level and Proposed Response Level for Perfluorohexane Sulfonic Acid (PFHxS), a chemical in the PFAS family.

7. UPDATE ON THE OUTCOME OF LOCAL NOVEMBER 8, 2022 ELECTIONS

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following actions:

Receive and file an update on the results of November 8, 2022 local elections, as impacting the SEWC region. Current SEWC Board representatives from the cities of Downey, Pico Rivera and Santa Fe Springs were up for reelection on November 8th. Other election of interest include:

Three members of the Water Replenishment Board, including the Directors of Districts 3 and 4 which include SEWC cities;

Central Basin Municipal Water District – District 3;

Orchard Dale Water District.

8. RESCISSION AND REISSUANCE OF GENERAL ORDER BY THE STATE WATER BOARD FOR MONITORING OF PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES BY SELECTED WATER PURVEYORS

Joanna Moreno, AE Chair, City of Vernon

Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Receive and file an update on the State Water Board's, through its Division of Drinking Water, general order DW 2022-0001-DDW that requires selected water purveyors to monitor for PFAS substances.

9. DECEMBER 1, 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, January 19, 2023, 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

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Dated: November 14, 2022

By: Lisa Umeda
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City of Vernon