

NOTICE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SANTA YNEZ RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

will be held on Monday, September 21, 2026, at 10:00 am
at Buellton City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246, Buellton, California

AGENDA OF REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Additions, if any, to the Agenda
5. **Public Comment** (Any member of the public may address the Board relating to any non-agenda matter within the Board's jurisdiction. The total time for all public participation shall not exceed fifteen minutes and the time allotted for each individual shall not exceed five minutes. No action will be taken by the Board at this meeting on any public item.)
Staff recommends any potential new agenda items based on issues raised be held for discussion under the Agenda Item "Requests from the Board of Directors for items to be included on the next Agenda".
6. **Consent Agenda** – Routine Items for approval or rejected in single motion without separate discussion. Consent items can be removed and placed on the Regular Agenda for discussion and possible action upon request by a Director.
 - a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of June 15, 2026
 - b. Financial Reports FY 2025-26 Period 12, June 2026 and FY 2026-27, Period 1, July 2026
 - c. Warrant Lists for May, June, and July 2026
7. Review and consider approval of Engagement Letters received from Bartlett Pringle Wolf, LLP
 - a. Audit of Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2025-26
 - b. Non-Audit Services during Fiscal Year 2026-2027
8. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 743 Ordering an Election and Requesting the Board of Supervisors to Consolidate the Election with the 2026 Statewide Election
9. Review Amended Conflict of Interest Code and Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 744 Announcing the Intent to Adopt an Amended Conflict of Interest Code and Establishing a Comment Period
10. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 745 Approving the Form of and Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding and Authorizing Participation in the Special District Risk Management Authority's Health Benefits Program
11. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 746 Changing Time and Place of Regular Meetings
12. **General Manager Report** Status and Discussion on the following topics:
 - a. Surface Water Program
 - b. Groundwater Program
 - c. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
 - i. Receive updates for WMA, CMA and EMA
 - ii. Proposition 68 Grant Reimbursements, Projects, and Management Actions
13. Attorney Report

14. Reports, actions by Board members, questions of staff, status reports, announcements, observations, and other matters, and/or communications not requiring action
15. Requests from the Board of Directors for items to be included on the next Agenda
16. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for December 21, 2026, at 10:00 am at the Buellton City Council Chambers, 140 West Highway 246, Buellton, California

In compliance with the California Water Code, regular meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday in March, June, September, and December at various locations within the District. Special meetings may be held at any location within the District.

17. Closed Session The Board will hold a closed session to discuss the following matters:
 - a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation (Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)): In the matter of Petition for Change of City of Solvang for Water Right Permit No. 15878 (Application A022423), which authorizes diversion of water from the Santa Ynez River (underflow) in Santa Barbara County, pending before the State Water Resources Control Board Office of Administrative Hearings
 - b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation (Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)): Regarding failure to file groundwater production reports and pay groundwater charges -
 - i. *Santa Ynez River Water Conservation Dist. v. Williams*, Case No. 26CV04692
 - ii. *Santa Ynez River Water Conservation Dist. v. Jimenez*, Case No. 26CV04693
 - c. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Gov. Code, § 54956.9, subd. (d)(2)): Significant exposure to litigation (Two Matters)
18. Reconvene into Open Session / Closed Session Report (Gov. Code, § 54957.1)
19. Adjournment

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