



**A SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE OPERATING COMMITTEE
of the
CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY
and
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**



will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 12, 2022
via URL: <https://v.ringcentral.com/join/849209036>
or via telephone by dialing 1 (650) 419-1505 and entering code 849209036#

In response to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency which directly impacts the ability of legislative bodies and the public to meet safely in person. To help minimize the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus, CCWA's Operating Committee shall consider whether to hold this public meeting telephonically pursuant to the requirements of Government Code section 54953(e), as amended by Assembly Bill 361 (2021). Members of the Operating Committee and public will participate in this meeting by video call or telephone.

Public Comment on agenda items may occur via video call or telephonically, or by submission to the CCWA Board Secretary via email at lfw@ccwa.com no later than 8:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting. In your email, please specify (1) the meeting date and agenda item (number and title) on which you are providing a comment and (2) that you would like your comment read into the record during the meeting. If you would like your comment read into the record during the meeting (as either general public comment or on a specific agenda item), please limit your comments to no more than 250 words.

Every effort will be made to read comments into the record, but some comments may not be read due to time limitations. Please also note that if you submit a written comment and do not specify that you would like this comment read into the record during the meeting, your comment will be forwarded to Board members for their consideration.

Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt public records that relate to open session agenda items and are distributed to a majority of the Committee less than seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting will be available on the CCWA internet web site, accessible at <https://www.ccwa.com>.

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
- II. * **Consideration of a Resolution No. 22-01 - Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings Under The Ralph M. Brown Act – *For Approval***
- III. * **A Resolution Of State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee Acknowledging Governor Newsom's Proclamation Of A State Of Emergency And Authorizing Meetings By Teleconference Meetings For A Period Of Thirty Days Pursuant To The Ralph M. Brown Act – *For Approval***
- IV. **Public Comment – (Any member of the public may address the Committees relating to any matter within the Committees' jurisdiction. Individual Speakers may be limited to three minutes; all speakers to a total of fifteen minutes.)**
- V. * **Minutes of the July 8, 2021 Joint Meeting of the Operating Committee of the Central Coast Water Authority and San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee – *For Approval***
- VI. **Water Management Strategies Study Stakeholder Presentation and Needs Analysis to Maximize State Water Supplies in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties**
- VII. **Date of Next Meeting:**
To be determined
- VIII. **Adjournment**

RESOLUTION NO. 22-01

RESOLUTION OF THE OPERATING COMMITTEE OF THE CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT

WHEREAS, the Central Coast Water Authority (Authority) is committed to preserving and fostering public access and participation in meetings of the Operating Committee, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Gov. Code § 54950 et seq.) (Brown Act), so that any member of the public may attend and participate as the Operating Committee conducts the public's business; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act contains special provisions for remote teleconference participation in meetings when the Governor has declared a state of emergency pursuant to Government Code section 8625, and either state or local official have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or an in-person meeting would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, such conditions now existing with the County of Santa Barbara (County). On March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency for the COVID-19 pandemic. The County Health Officer has issued numerous Health Orders regarding safety protocols during the COVID-19 pandemic, including Health Officer Order No. 2021-10.8, dated January 2, 2022, which requires the use of face covering at all times in all indoor public settings and promotes physical distancing. Further, the County Health Officer and Public Health Director issued a Health Official AB 361 Social Distance Recommendation, dated September 28, 2021, encouraging remote teleconference options for public meetings as an effective and recommended social distancing measure to facilitate public participation while protecting participants and others from the COVID-19 disease. The latest County order and recommendation were made necessary by the rise in the more contagious and easily spread Delta and Omicron variants of the COVID-19 virus throughout the nation, and specifically within the County; and

WHEREAS, at the Operating Committee's last meeting on October 14, 2021, the Board found that the situation with regard to COVID-19, and particularly the Delta variant, was causing, and may continue to cause, risks to the safety of persons within the County and found that the Operating Committee shall conduct its meetings with remote teleconference participation through Resolution No. 21-01; and

WHEREAS, the Operating Committee finds that the current situation with regard to COVID-19, and particularly the Delta and Omicron variants, is causing, and may continue to cause, risks to the safety of persons within the County and finds that the Operating Committee shall conduct its meetings with remote teleconference participation in the manner authorized by Government Code Section 54953, subdivision

(e) and in compliance with the requirements to provide public access in Government Code Section 54953, subdivision (e)(2); and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the “common sense” exemption to environmental review under Section 15061 subdivision (b)(3) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (CEQA Guidelines) because remote teleconference meetings during a declared state of emergency do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.

NOW THEREFORE, THE OPERATING COMMITTEE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Remote Teleconference Meetings. The Operating Committee shall conduct its meeting with remote teleconference participation in the manner authorized by Government Code Section 54953, subdivision (e), and in compliance with the requirements to provide public access in Government Code Section 54953, subdivision (e)(2).

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until February 11, 2022, or such time as the Operating Committee or Board of Directors of the Authority adopts a resolution in accordance with Government Code Section 54953, subdivision (e)(3) to extend the time during which meetings may continue to be held via remote teleconference in compliance with that section.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Operating Committee of the Central Coast Water Authority, this 12th day of January, 2022, by the following vote:

Paeter Garcia, Chairman

[Seal]

Attest:

Elizabeth Watkins
Secretary to the Board of Directors

	VOTING PERCENTAGE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
City of Buellton	1.77%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Carpinteria Valley Water District	6.12%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Goleta Water District	13.78%	_____	_____	_____	_____
City of Guadalupe	0.92%	_____	_____	_____	_____
La Cumbre Mutual Water Company	3.06%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Montecito Water District	7.61%	_____	_____	_____	_____
City of Santa Barbara	9.18%	_____	_____	_____	_____
City of Santa Maria	34.60%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, Improvement District No. 1	6.12%	_____	_____	_____	_____
Vandenberg Space Force Base	16.84%	_____	_____	_____	_____

In The STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. **2022-002**

**A RESOLUTION OF STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ACKNOWLEDGING GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY
AND AUTHORIZING MEETINGS BY TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS FOR A PERIOD OF
THIRTY DAYS PURSUANT TO THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT**

The following resolution is now offered and read:

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of State of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the proclaimed state of emergency remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 that suspended the teleconferencing rules set forth in the California Open Meeting law, Government Code section 54950 et seq. (the "Brown Act"), provided certain requirements were met and followed; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2021, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-08-21 that clarified the suspension of the teleconferencing rules set forth in the Brown Act, and further provided that those provisions would remain suspended through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 361, allowing legislative bodies subject to the Brown Act to continue meeting by teleconference if the legislative body determines that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and further requires that certain findings be made by the legislative body every thirty (30) days; and

WHEREAS, California Department of Public Health and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") caution that the Omicron variant of COVID-19, currently the dominant strain of COVID-19 in the country, is more transmissible than original SARS-CoV-2 variant of the virus, and that even fully vaccinated individuals can be infected and may spread the virus to others resulting in rapid and alarming rates of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations

(<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/omicron-variant.html>); and

WHEREAS, the CDC has established a "Community Transmission" metric with 4 tiers designed to reflect a community's COVID-19 case rate and percent positivity; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Luis Obispo currently has a Community Transmission metric of "high" which is the most serious of the tiers; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health and safety, as affected by the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19, the State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee (the "SWSAC") deems it necessary to find holding in person meetings would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and thus intends to invoke the provisions of AB 361 related to teleconferencing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by SWSAC that:

1. The recitals set forth above are true and correct.
2. The Proclamation of State of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic issued by Governor Newsom on March 4, 2020, remains in effect.
3. The SWSAC finds that the proclaimed state of emergency continues to impact the ability of members to meet safely in person and meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.
4. Staff is directed to return with an item for SWSAC to consider making the findings required by AB 361 to continue meeting under its provisions.

Upon motion of Member _____, seconded by
Member _____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

the foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

Brad Hagemann

Chairperson of State Water Subcontractors Advisory
Committee

ATTEST:

Wes Thomson
Secretary of the Water Resources Advisory Committee

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

RITA L. NEAL
County Counsel

By: _____
Deputy County Counsel

Dated:_____

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY
OPERATING COMMITTEE and SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND
WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

July 8, 2021

The meeting was conducted pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953 and Governor Newsom's Executive Order, N-29-20, temporarily suspending portions of the Brown Act to implement social distancing in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Committee members participated in this meeting by video call or telephone. Public Comment on agenda items also occurred telephonically.

Ms. Lisa Watkins, Board Secretary, confirmed that all Committee members could hear each other, had received a copy of the meeting agenda, and could hear the proceedings.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Garcia, CCWA Operating Committee Chair, called the July 8, 2021, Joint meeting of the Central Coast Water Authority Operating Committee and San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee meeting held at 255 Industrial Way, Buellton, California, to order at 1:00 PM.

Mr. Wes Thompson of San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District called role for attendees of the SLOCFC&WCD State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee.

Operating Committee members present:

Paeter Garcia	-	Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, ID#1
Mike Alvarado	-	La Cumbre Mutual Water Company
Ryan Drake	-	Goleta Water District
Rose Hess	-	City of Buellton
Robert McDonald	-	Carpinteria Valley Water District
Shad Springer	-	City of Santa Maria
Catherine Taylor	-	City of Santa Barbara

Matt Van der Linden, Advisory Member for the City of Solvang was also present.

II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Water Management Strategies Study Stakeholder Presentation and Needs Analysis to Maximize State Water Supplies in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties

Ms. Jessica Alwan of Hallmark Group provided a brief overview of the purpose of the project

Mr. Terry Erlewine of Hallmark Group reviewed the Water Management Strategy Model, including the goals and approach taken.

A review of the model scenarios using CalSim data hypothesizing hydrology historically to 1922 was provided by Mr. Curtis Creel of Provost and Pritchard.

Potential additional scenarios were reviewed by Mr. Erlewine, which may include downstream releases from Lake Cachuma, effects of the Delta conveyance project, integrated operation between Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo County and deliveries to the San Luis Obispo Groundwater basin.

Next steps for the project, including analyzing sales opportunity ranges, review of potential project costs against baseline projections, and consideration of additional selection criteria and regional impacts were reviewed.

IV. Date of Next Regular Meeting:

The next Joint meeting will be scheduled at a later date.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth F. Watkins
Secretary to the Board

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