

# CALAVERAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

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Protect, enhance, and develop Calaveras County's water resources and watersheds to provide safe, reliable, and cost-effective services to our communities.

2021-2026 Strategic Plan, Adopted April 28, 2021, can be viewed at this [link](#)

Regular Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, February 3, 2026  
1:00 p.m.

Calaveras County Water District  
120 Toma Court  
San Andreas, California 95249

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 1. ROLL CALL

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#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Scott Ratterman, Chair    Jeff Davidson, Director

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**At this time, members of the public may address the Committee on any non-agendized item. The public is encouraged to work through staff to place items on the agenda for consideration. No action can be taken on matters not listed on the agenda. Comments are limited to three minutes per person.**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3a Approval of Minutes for October 14, 2025, Committee Meeting  
(Rebecca Hitchcock, Clerk to the Board)

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

4a\* Federal Legislative Update  
(Mia O’Connell, O’Connell & Dempsy)

4b\* State Legislative and Regulatory Updates  
(Michael Minkler, General Manager and Justin Caporusso, Mountain Counties Water Resources Association)

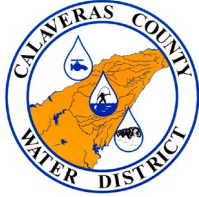
**5.\* GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS**

**6.\* DIRECTOR COMMENTS OR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**7. NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

- Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 1:00 p.m.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**



## MINUTES

### CALAVERAS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

OCTOBER 14, 2025

The following Committee Members were present:

Jeff Davidson	Director, District 5
Scott Ratterman	Director, District 1

Staff Present:

Michael Minkler	General Manager
Rebecca Hitchcock	Clerk to the Board
Kelly Gerkenmeyer	External Affairs Manager
Bana Rouson-Gedese	Water Resources Specialist*
Andrew Renshaw	Water Resources Manager*
Kelly Richards	Business Services Manager*
Dylan Smith	Information Systems Manager*

Others Present:

Mia O'Connell	Oconnell & Dempsey*
Dane Wadle	CSDA*

Members of the Public:

None

\*Attended Virtually

### **CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **1. ROLL CALL**

Director Ratterman called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

#### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment was heard.

#### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3a Approval of Minutes for June 9, 2025, Committee Meeting  
(Rebecca Hitchcock, Clerk to the Board)

Director Davidson moved to approve the minutes, and Director Ratterman seconded the motion.

#### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

- 4a Federal Legislative Update  
(Mia O'Connell, O'Connell & Dempsy)

**DISCUSSION:** Mia O'Connell provided an update on Federal Affairs and addressed questions from the Committee.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment

- 4b State Updates regarding:
- AB 367 Water: County of Ventura: fire suppression.
  - SB 616 Community Hardening Commission: wildfire mitigation program.
  - SB 499 Residential projects: fees and charges: emergency services.
  - Other Updates
- (Kylie Wright, ACWA State Relations Advocate)

Additional State Legislative Update  
(Kelly Gerkenmeyer, External Affairs Manager)

**DISCUSSION:** Kylie Wright, on behalf of ACWA, provided updates concerning the state bills, detailed ACWA's advocacy efforts, and responded to inquiries from the Committee.

Kelly Gerkenmeyer gave an additional State Legislative update and answered Committee questions.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment

## 5. **GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS**

Michael Minkler reported on the Town Hall meeting hosted by CCWD in Copperopolis.

## 6. **DIRECTOR COMMENTS OR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Director Ratterman expressed his appreciation to Kelly Gerkenmeyer and Kevin Williams for their work in securing support letters for WRDA funding. He also noted that he has a scheduling conflict with the upcoming meeting on October 7th and suggested consideration of an alternative date.

Director Davidson had nothing to report.

## 7. **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

- Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

## 8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Rebecca Hitchcock  
Clerk to the Board