

**EAST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**



**Agenda of the Regular Meeting  
of the Board of Directors of  
East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency**

**Thursday, April 27, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.**

**CORTEZ HALL**

**12937 North Cortez Avenue  
Turlock, California 95380**

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**BOARD MEMBERS**

Ward Burroughs, Eastside Water District Chairman  
Tim Johnson, Eastside Water District Alternate and Treasurer  
Dirk Ulrich, Ballico-Cortez Water District and Vice Chairman  
Dennis Yotsuya, Ballico Cortez Water District Alternate  
Lloyd Pareira, Merced County  
Lacey McBride, Merced County Alternate  
Hicham ElTal, Merced Irrigation District  
Matt Beaman, Merced Irrigation District Alternate  
Vito Chiesa, Stanislaus County  
Christy McKinnon, Stanislaus County Alternate

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Interested persons in the audience are welcome to introduce any topic within the Agency's jurisdiction. No action may be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that the Board may briefly respond to the comments, refer the matter to staff, or request it be placed on a future agenda.

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- 3. CONSENT AGENDA**
  - a. Action to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2023 East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency regular board meeting.
  - b. Adopt the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency 2021-2022 Fiscal Audit presented at the March 23 board meeting.
  - c. Approve Formation Environmental Change Order and Invoice for wellhead surveying services to be paid directly by WTSGSA under the existing SGMA Implementation Grant.
- 4. TREASURY REPORT AND PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Action to accept the Treasurer's Report monthly budget report, approve a transfer of **\$63,532.00** for staff, services, and supplies from the Eastside Water District Loan Fund into the General Fund that is covered by the loan, and approve the payment of the April 2023 bills as presented.
- 5. EAST TURLOCK SUBBASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY 2023-2024 BUDGET**

Discussion and budget planning for the 2023 – 2024 Fiscal Year.
- 6. ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO SELECT A FEE ASSESSMENT SUPPORT CONSULTANT**

The Board will be asked to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to review bids, conduct interviews (if necessary) and recommend selection of a consultant to support ETSGSA in the development and adoption of a fee assessment compliant with Proposition 218 and/or Proposition 26 to fund implementation of the Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan within ETSGSA. The fee assessment would replace the existing Proposition 218 fee assessment.
- 7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN (GSP) IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING AND UPDATES**

At this time, Board members will discuss and may take action on other GSP matters of concern, including.

  - a. Working schedule for Implementation Support Activities through September 2023
  - b. Status of the Multi-Benefit Land Repurposing Program Grant from the Department of Conservation
  - c. Tracking of other grant pursuits
  - d. Status of Groundwater Monitoring Program
  - e. Replenishment Water Update
  - f. Status of Pumping Management Pilot Program
  - g. Discussion about retention of LandIQ to provide monthly ET monitoring services
- 8. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT**

Lauren Layne/Jessica Johnson will provide a report to the board on legal items that could affect the agency and its member entities. Discussion item only.

  - a. Turlock Subbasin Proposed Water Accounting Framework
  - b. Legislation
- 9. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD**

Board Members may provide a brief report on notable topics of interest. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the Legislative Body.
- 10. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—POTENTIAL LITIGATION**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (1 case).

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**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regular scheduled board meeting is Thursday, May 25, 2023, 9:00 a.m. at Cortez Hall

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