



Notice of Meeting

STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
County Government Center, Rm. D361, 1055 Monterey St., San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Friday, Mar. 1, 2024 – 10:00 – 11:30 AM

For agenda packet attachments and more information: <https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/Departments/Public-Works/Committees-Programs/State-Water-Project-and-Subcontractors-Advisory-Co.aspx>

Chair: Vacant

Vice Chair: Nola Engelskirger (CSA 16)

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Roll Call & Quorum Count
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
For matters not on the agenda, within the Committee's jurisdiction. Limited to 3 minutes each.
3. **MEETING MINUTES**
Staff Recommendation: Approve the Minutes from Nov. 2023.
4. **SCHEDULED ACTION ITEMS**
 - A. 2023 SWSAC Officers (Chair and Vice Chair)
Staff Recommendation: Nominate and Approve Chair and Vice Chair for 2024.
 - B. Proposed 2024 Calendar
Staff Recommendation: Adopt Proposed 2024 Calendar.
5. **REPORTS FROM THE DISTRICT**
 - A. Finance Update: Report on Dec. 11 Presentation (DWR Statement of Charges)
Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.
 - B. Recent BOS Actions: County Staffing; Devil's Den Emergency Agreement
Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.
 - C. Water Supply & Delivery Operations; Field Visit to Coastal Facilities
Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.
 - D. DCP Planning Update
Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.
 - E. Update on Water Management Workgroup Activities
Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.
6. **SCHEDULED DISCUSSION ITEMS** - NONE
7. **REPORTS FROM SUBCONTRACTORS** (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)
8. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**
9. **SET DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING**
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Attachments

1. Agenda Item 3 – Draft Minutes, Nov. 2023
2. Agenda Item 4.B – Proposed 2024 Calendar

CONTACT: Please contact SWSAC Secretary, Wes Thomson, with any questions: wthomson@co.slo.ca.us or (805) 781-5252. *All Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodations shall be promptly reviewed and resolved.*

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San Luis Obispo, CA

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2023
STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
(DRAFT FOR REVIEW)

Chair: Will Clemens
Vice Chair: Nola Engelskirger (absent)
Secretary: Wes Thomson

The following minutes are listed as they were acted upon by the State Water Subcontractors Advisory Committee (SWSAC) and as listed on the Regular Meeting agenda for November 3, 2023, together with staff reports and related documents attached thereto and incorporated therein by reference.

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL – Call to order at approx. 10:01 AM; quorum established (5 or more). Will Clemens presided as chair; Six Subcontractors present:

<u>Representative</u>	<u>Agency</u>
Cindy Treichler	County Ops Center
Ben Fine	Pismo Beach
Will Clemens	Oceano CSD
Brad Hagemann	Avila Beach CSD
Mike Ritter	Avila Valley MWC
Courtney Howard	District (non-voting)

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
 - Jeff Edwards gave an update on the possible interconnect project between Los Osos CSD and the Chorro Valley Pipeline and some of the pushback they have received from some State Water Subcontractors.
 - Wes Thomson requested introductions from all those present at the meeting.
3. REVIEW OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES – The Committee approved the draft minutes from September 1, 2023, as distributed. Ben Fine motioned to approve; Brad Hagemann seconded; minutes approved with a simple verbal vote.
4. REPORTS FROM THE DISTRICT
 - A. Proposed 2024 Calendar
Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.
 - Thomson proposed a change in the SWSAC schedule to meet quarterly on the 2nd Friday of the month and requested feedback by reaching out to him separately. He noted that the SWSAC could call additional meetings as needed or schedule make-up meetings for any cancellation.
 - Kate Ballantyne asked if the by-laws stated the number of meetings required. Thomson responded that four (4) is the minimum number of required meetings.

B. Finance Update: DWR's 2024 Statement of Charges

Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.

- Katie Franco announced that she and Jessica Suchecki are preparing a separate comprehensive "Statement and Charges" presentation for the Subcontractors to review the different components and have time for questions. The presentation will be on December 11, 2023, from 10AM-12 noon. For Subcontractor staff interested in attending, please reach out to Katie after the meeting for an invitation to the presentation.

C. Water Supply & Delivery Operations

(1) Devil's Den Emergency Repair; (2) 2023 Deliveries

Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.

- Thomson reported that three of the six pump units are back in operation at the Devils Den Pumping Plant (DDPP) so DWR has shifted delivery operations from the temporary bypass back to the DDPP. The cost for repairs would not be invoiced to the subcontractors until at least 2025 and it is anticipated we'll have a cost estimate of the initial recovery effort soon.
- The District will be bringing an "after the fact" agreement to the Board of Supervisors, to financial responsibility between DWR and the other State Water contractors related to the temporary bypass solution that enabled DWR to resume delivery of State Water to the Central Coast.
- Dan Heibel asked about possible tour options for the Coastal Branch. Ballantyne and Thomson both thought that would be highly likely.
- Clemens asked about the annual shut down. Thomson said that DWR will not be doing the annual shut down in November due to the incredibly wet conditions in 2023 and the desire to maintain the ability to keep moving as much water as they can before the end of the year.

D. DCP Planning Update

Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.

- Thomson reported that DWR is wrapping up efforts to release the Final EIR.
- Heibel commented that long-term participation in the DCP would be one of the most important decisions for the District since deciding to join the SWP.
- Edwards asked what the estimated cost is for the DCP. Ballantyne mentioned that the cost latest estimate is out of date, and that revising the estimate would be part of DWR's next steps.

5. SCHEDULED DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Water Management Subcommittee Update

Staff Recommendation: Informational Item Only.

- Thomson circulated a working "Draft Water Management Subcommittee Recommendations" handout and reviewed the Subcommittee mandate.
- Heibel then presented an update on the recent progress by the Subcommittee and spoke briefly to the draft recommendations.

6. SCHEDULED ACTION ITEMS – None.

7. REPORTS FROM SUBCONTRACTORS

- Ballantyne mentioned that the County/District is still working towards increasing staffing to address SWP workload and project advancement, and they plan on bringing the request to the BOS soon.
- Ben Fine reiterated that Pismo Beach is hiring for both Engineering and Construction Management positions.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Hagemann noted that the quarterly meeting schedule change was a good idea.
- Dana Merrill shared that the EPCWD is actively developing a pilot project to explore the feasibility for using SWP supply as a supplemental supply in the Paso Basin, and which would also offer benefit to the municipal water users in SLO County. In response, Clemens requested the opportunity to have a related conversation on the legal analysis required to better inform Subcontractor understanding concerning how someone like OCSD would be able to sell State Water to support an initiative like this.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – SWSAC’s next meeting was scheduled for March 1, 2024, at 10:00 AM.

10. ADJOURNMENT – Clemens adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:09 AM.

-- DRAFT MINUTES BY: JT / WT



FOR SWSAC REVIEW, 11/3/2023

2024 SWSAC CALENDAR (PROPOSED)

STATE WATER SUBCONTRACTORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SWSAC) & WATER MANAGEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE (WMS)

SWSAC (Public Meetings): Dates as shown, from 10:00 -11:30 AM – quarterly meetings held at the County Government Center, Rm. D361, 1055 Monterey St., San Luis Obispo, CA 93408.

WMS: Location, dates & times TBD.

<p><u>JAN</u> SWSAC – Dark WMS – Date TBD</p>	<p><u>FEB</u> SWSAC – Dark WMS – Date TBD</p>	<p><u>MAR</u> SWSAC – Mar 1 (Fri.) WMS – Date TBD -- <i>(1) Annual election of Chair & Vice Chair; (2) Approval of 2024 Calendar.</i></p>
<p><u>APR</u> SWSAC – Dark WMS – Date TBD</p>	<p><u>MAY</u> SWSAC – Dark WMS – Date TBD</p>	<p><u>JUN</u> SWSAC – June 7 (Fri.) WMS – Date TBD</p>
<p><u>JUL</u> SWSAC – Dark WMS – Date TBD</p>	<p><u>AUG</u> SWSAC – Dark WMS – Date TBD</p>	<p><u>SEP</u> SWSAC – Sep 13 (Fri.) WMS – Date TBD -- <i>Subcontractors submit SWP water delivery request for 2025 (on or before 9/1/24).</i></p>
<p><u>OCT</u> SWSAC – Dark WMS – Date TBD -- <i>District submits SWP water delivery request for 2025 to DWR (on or before 10/1/24).</i></p>	<p><u>NOV</u> SWSAC – Dark WMS – Date TBD -- <i>Distribution of draft proposed calendar for 2025.</i></p>	<p><u>DEC</u> SWSAC – Dec 6 (Fri.) WMS – Date TBD -- <i>(1) DWR issues Initial SWP Allocation for 2025 (on or before 12/1/24); (2) District furnishes 2025 delivery schedule to Subcontractors (on or before 12/15/24).</i></p>

***Meeting logistics are subject to change.** Please contact County Public Works at 805-781-5252 or pwd@co.slo.ca.us for confirmation of date, location & time.