

**AGENDA**  
**NORTH KERN WATER STORAGE DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

33380 Cawelo Avenue  
Bakersfield, CA 93308

Tuesday, March 17, 2026 - 7:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER  
PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Board Meeting Minutes
  - A. Approve Minutes of February 17, 2026, Regular Board Meeting
  
2. Consent Calendar  
(The Board will consider various non-controversial routine items, issues and reports relating to matters of interest to the District. Any Board member or member of the public may request that any or all items be considered and acted upon independently.)
  - A. District Groundwater Levels
  - B. District Exchange Balances
  - C. Operations Report
  
3. General Informational Items
  - A. Kern River Watermaster Report
  - B. Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority/Kern Water Collaborative Update\*
  
4. Financial Matters
  - A. Approve Treasurer's Report
    1. NKWSD
    2. RRID
  - B. Monthly Financial Statements
  - C. Water Sales
  - D. Accounts Receivable
  - E. Approve Accounts Payable
  
5. Public Hearing (7:30 a.m.) – 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan Update
  - A. Consider Resolution to Adopt 2025 Agricultural Water Management Plan
  
6. Consulting District Engineer
  - A. Project Summary
  - B. Status of Grants\*
  - C. Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program/CV-Salts\*
  
7. Budget and Personnel Committee
  - A. Update on 2026 Budget and Hydrology\*
  - B. Consider 2025 Audit Engagement for NKWSD and RRID
  
8. Engineering Committee
  - A. Consider Well Property Exchange, Farmland Reserve Inc.
  - B. Consider Quitclaim of Old Little 9-2 Canal Easement
  - C. Consider Approval of Task Order with GEI for FKC Water Sampling

- D. Consider Purchase of Replacement District Vehicle
  - E. Discussion on Treatment for Golden Mussels\*
9. Groundwater Committee
- A. Meeting of the North Kern Groundwater Sustainability Agency and SGMA Update
    - 1. Update on Groundwater Levels and Water Quality at RMWs
    - 2. Consider Scope of Work to Address Remaining Well Data Gaps, Luhdorff & Scalmanini
10. Produced Water Ad Hoc Committee\*
11. Negotiating Committee\*
12. Counsel of District\*
13. Rosedale Ranch Improvement District\*
14. General Manager's Report\*
  - A. ITRC Training

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OTHER BUSINESS

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15. Closed Session Matters:
- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Govt. Code Section 54956.9(a) and (d)(1))
    - (i) North Kern Water Storage District v. City of Bakersfield  
(VCSC #56-2011-00408712-CU-CO-VTA)
    - (ii) State Water Resources Control Board, Administrative Hearing Office  
Adjudicative Hearing on Pending Applications 31673, 31674, 31675, 31676,  
31677, and 31819
    - (iii) California High-Speed Rail Authority v. North Kern Water Storage District  
(BCV-25-102876)
    - (iv) North Kern Water Storage District v. Rosedale Estates  
(BCV-24-101361)
    - (vi) Bring Back the Kern et al. v. City of Bakersfield (Defendant/Respondent) and  
Buena Vista Water Storage District et al. (Real Parties in Interest)  
(BCV-22-1030220); 5<sup>th</sup> District Court of Appeal (F087487); CA Supreme  
Court (S290840)
  - B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section  
54956.9: two cases
  - C. PERSONNEL MATTERS  
(Govt. Code Section 54957)
  - D. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS  
(Govt. Code Section 54956.8) – use of District and landowner facilities for  
various potential water management programs; negotiator, David Hampton
16. Adjournment

\*Oral report to be provided at the meeting.