

FOX CANYON GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA), also sitting as watermaster for the Las Posas Valley Basin (LPV) and the groundwater sustainability agency for the Las Posas Valley Basin, the Pleasant Valley Basin, and the Oxnard Subbasin, will hold a **Fiscal Committee Meeting** at **10:00 A.M.** on **Tuesday, June 17, 2025** in the **Multi-Purpose Room**, at the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Administration at 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California.

FISCAL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

**June 17, 2025
10:00 A.M.**

Members: Chair Eugene West
Vice Chair Tony Trembley

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Introductions**
- C. Public Comments** – Audience members may speak about matters not on today's Agenda.
- D. LPV Watermaster Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Development Study Session** – Proposed LPV Watermaster Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Work Plan and Draft Budget evaluation; opportunity to provide feedback or discuss recommendations for modifications prior to submittal to the Board. Handout materials provided.
- E. FCGMA Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Development Study Session** – Discussing Board priorities for the FCGMA Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Work Plan and Draft Budget; opportunity to provide feedback or discuss recommendations for draft documents. Handout materials provided.
- F. Reserve Policy Development Priority** – As recommended in the March 18, 2025, meeting, one policy development item will be prioritized in every subsequent Fiscal Committee Agenda. Discussion of reserve policy, reserve accounts, and annual contributions.

G. Future Agenda Items and Next Meeting Date

Tuesday, July 15, 2025, at 10:00 AM in the Multi-Purpose Room.

H. Adjourn Meeting.

STANDING NOTICES

The FCGMA Board and its less-than-a-quorum advisory committees strive to conduct accessible, orderly, and fair meetings where everyone can be heard on the issues. The Committee Chair will conduct the meeting and establish appropriate rules and time limitations for each item.

Public Comments – Public comment is the opportunity for members of the public to participate in meetings by addressing the Fox Canyon Executive Committee in connection with one or more agenda or non-agenda items.

If you wish to make a written comment, please follow the steps below.

1. If you wish to make a written comment on a specific agenda item, please submit your comment via email by 5:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the Fiscal Committee Special Meeting. Please submit your comment to the Clerk of the Board at FCGMA@ventura.org. Please indicate in the subject line of your email the agenda item number (e.g., Item No. 9). Your email will be read by the Committee members and placed in the record.
2. If you would like to make a general public comment (Item 4) for items not on the day's agenda or to comment on a specific agenda item as it is being heard, please submit your comment via email, limited to 250 words or less, to the Clerk of the Board at FCGMA@ventura.org. Every effort will be made to read your comment into the record, but some comments may not be read due to time limitations. Comments received after an agenda item will be made part of the record if received prior to the end of the meeting.

Administrative Record: Material presented as part of testimony will be made part of the Agency's record, and 10 copies should be left with the Board Clerk. This includes any memos, presentations, maps, etc. If possible, in advance of the meeting, email a PDF of your materials to FCGMA@ventura.org.

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Continuance of Items: The Committee will endeavor to consider all matters listed on this agenda. However, time may not allow the Committee to hear all matters listed. Matters not heard at this meeting may be carried over to the next Committee meeting or to a future Committee meeting. Participating individuals or parties will be notified of the rescheduling of their item prior to the meeting. Please contact the Agency Clerk to find out about rescheduled items.

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FCGMA Fiscal Committee Meeting, June 17, 2025
Item D1 - PAC Recommendation Report Regarding Surplus Watermaster Budget

TO: Las Posas Valley Watermaster

FROM: Las Posas Valley Watermaster Policy Advisory Committee

RE: Recommendation Report – Surplus Watermaster Budget

DATE: May 1, 2025

The Las Posas Valley Watermaster Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) provides this Recommendation Report on the **Surplus Watermaster Budget**.

Recommendation:

See memo below for recommendation.

Policy Rationale for Recommendation:

See memo below for rationale.

Summary of Facts in Support of Recommendation:

See memo below for complete summary of facts.

Tally of Committee Member Votes:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ian Prichard, Calleguas MWD	X			
Jeff Palmer, VC WWD No. 1 & 19				X
John Menne, Zone MWC	X			
Rob Grether, West LPV Large Ag	X			
David Schwabauer, East LPV Large Ag	X			
Josh Waters, East LPV Small Ag				X
Richard Cavaletto, West LPV Small Ag	X			
Laurel Servin, East LPV MWC	X			
Steven Murata, West LPV MWC	X			
Arturo Aseo, Commercial	X			

Report of Bases for Majority and Minority Committee Member Positions:

PAC Recommendation Report Regarding Surplus Watermaster Budget

On April 10, 2025, Watermaster sent the Las Posas Valley Basin Watermaster Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) a committee consultation regarding a policy for surplus Watermaster budget.

Ideally, surplus budget would be sequestered in a replenishment fund. Technicalities regarding the dispensation of those funds for basinwide projects in light of Section 7.9 of the Judgment, "Adjustments to Basin Assessments for UWCD Assessments," complicate accomplishing that in the immediate term.

By unanimous vote of those present, the PAC recommends that the Watermaster forgo the fourth-quarter 2025 basin assessment. The PAC does not intend this to establish the regular practice regarding budget surpluses and requests that Watermaster return to the PAC for consultation on any future budget surpluses.