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DRAFT NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA) Board of Directors will hold a **Board Hybrid Meeting** at **12:30 P.M.** on **Wednesday, January 28, 2026**, in the **Board of Supervisors Hearing Room and via Zoom**, at the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Administration, at **800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California**.

To attend the public portion of the meeting via Zoom, click here:

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FCGMA BOARD REGULAR MEETING

DRAFT AGENDA

January 28, 2026

12:30 P.M.

Welcome to the **DRAFT AGENDA** of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Board of Directors, also sitting as watermaster for the Las Posas Valley Basin and the groundwater sustainability agency for the Las Posas Valley Basin, the Pleasant Valley Basin, and the Oxnard Subbasin. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, all possible accommodations will be made for individuals with disabilities so they may attend and participate in meetings. If special assistance is needed, please call Agency staff at (805) 654-2014 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting so proper arrangements may be assured. If requested, and as possible, Agendas will be provided in alternative formats.

Agenda items are numbered for identification purposes only and may not necessarily be considered in this order. Agenda items are grouped under Las Posas Valley Watermaster (LPV Watermaster) or under Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency (FCGMA), if the item directly applies only to that entity. The Board reserves the right to limit each speaker to five (5) minutes per subject or topic if necessary. The public portion of every public meeting of the Board of Directors is recorded. Please see the "STANDING NOTICES" section at the end of this Agenda for more information, including hybrid attendance and public participation.

DRAFT OPENING

1. **Call to Order** – The Board Chair will call the meeting to order.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** – A Board member will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

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3. **Roll Call** – Attending Board members, alternates, and staff will be recorded by the Board Clerk.
4. **Agenda Review** – Consider and approve by majority vote, any minor revisions to Board Agenda items and/or attachments and any item(s) added or removed from this Agenda.
5. **Public Comments** – Members of the Public may speak about Agency-related matters not on today's Agenda. California State law does not allow any response or action from the Board concerning non-Agenda topics at this time; however, topics can be placed on future Agendas or referred to staff. Please come to the podium and state your name and affiliation for the record before commenting on any particular subject.
6. **Executive Officer's Comments** – Brief announcements and administrative report on Agency workforce activities.
7. **Board Member Comments** – An opportunity for Board Members to make comments or to communicate with other Directors, staff, and/or the public regarding non-Agenda topics.

DRAFT CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA

Correspondence Agenda items are presented to the Board for information under the Consent Agenda. These items require no action or are not ready for Board consideration.

8. **Receive and File Correspondence** from Gary Arnold of Arnold LaRochelle Mathews VanConas & Zirbel LLP, regarding the R.N. Daily Ranch LLC Appeal Hearing, dated December 31, 2025.

DRAFT CONSENT AGENDA

Routine items are placed under the Consent portion of this Agenda and need only be reviewed and approved by one single motion. Consent items generally require no discussion; however, they may be debated or voted on by moving them to the "Regular Agenda" portion at the Board's discretion.

9. **Approval of Minutes** – (New Item) **RECOMMENDATION:** Approve minutes of the December 12, 2025, Board special meeting.

DRAFT CONSENT AGENDA – FCGMA Items

10. **FCGMA Financial Status Report for December 2025** – (New Item) **RECOMMENDATION:** Receive and file the monthly financial report.

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11. **R.N. Daily Ranch's Appeal of the Interim Executive Officer's Denial of Well Drilling Application No. 0309 – (Returning Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Pending.
12. **Approval of Installment Plan for Payment of Surcharges, Eco-Farm, LLC. – (New Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Pending.

DRAFT CONSENT AGENDA – LPV Watermaster Items

13. **LPV Watermaster Financial Status Report for December 2025 – (New Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Receive and file the monthly financial report.

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Regular Agenda items are heard at the Board's discretion and may be heard at any time during the meeting.

DRAFT REGULAR AGENDA – FCGMA Items

14. **Presentation Regarding OPV Allocation Ordinance – (Returning Item) RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Pending, and (2) Pending.
15. **Informational Update and Overview of the Agency Database – (New Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Pending.
16. **Approve and Authorize the Executive Officer to Execute a Professional Services Contract with Environmental Science Associates (ESA) for Groundwater Data Strategy and Initial Configuration of the Groundwater Accounting Platform – (New Item) RECOMMENDATION:** Pending.

DRAFT REGULAR AGENDA – LPV Watermaster Items

17. **Mutual Water Company Shareholders Without an Allocation – (New Item) RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Pending, and (2) Pending.
18. **Public Hearing Regarding Green Hills Well Permit – (New Item) RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Pending, and (2) Pending.

DRAFT CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Discussions of Closed Session Agenda items are closed to the public. The Chair will announce when the Board is going into closed session. Closed session items may be heard at any time during the meeting.

19. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Gov. Code, §54956.9) PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9, SUBDIVISION (d), PARAGRAPH (1): NAME OF CASE:** City of Oxnard v. Fox

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Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, Los Angeles County Superior Court
Case No. 20STCP00929

20. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Gov. Code, §54956.9) PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9, SUBDIVISION (d), PARAGRAPH (1): NAME OF CASE:** Las Posas Valley Water Rights Coalition v. Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. VENCI0059700
21. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Gov. Code, §54956.9) PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9, SUBDIVISION (d), PARAGRAPH (1): NAME OF CASE:** OPV Coalition et al v. Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. VENCI00555357
22. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Gov. Code, § 54957(b)(1)) TITLE:** Executive Officer
23. **Adjourn Board Meeting.**

DRAFT STANDING NOTICES

The FCGMA Board strives to conduct accessible, orderly, and fair meetings where everyone can be heard on the issues. The Board Chair will conduct the meeting and establish appropriate rules and time limitations for each item. The Board can only act on items designated as action items. Action items on the Agenda are staff proposals and may be modified by the Board as a result of public comment or Board member input.

Public Comment: Public comment is the opportunity for members of the public to participate in meetings by addressing the Fox Canyon Board of Directors in connection with one or more Agenda or non-Agenda items.

The following options allow for public participation:

1. Join the Zoom Meeting as an Attendee:

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With this option you will be able to raise your hand, and the Clerk of the Board will give you speaking abilities to make a public comment. If you experience technical difficulties during attendance that impact your ability to hear or see meeting proceedings, please contact the host via chat, or raise your hand for Q&A inside the Zoom Client. If you are unable to contact the host via the Zoom Client's chat or Q&A features, please call (805) 654-2014 and report the issue, then consider submitting written comment according to option 4, below.

2. During meetings held in the Board of Supervisors Boardroom, we have access to livestreaming capabilities. Observe the Board of Directors meeting streaming live by navigating to the "Current and Upcoming Meetings" section of our website and clicking on the video icon button next to the meeting listing at: <https://fcgma.org/board-agendas-broadcasts-minutes/>. *This option is currently only available for meetings held in the BOS Boardroom.*

3. Call in to listen to the meeting:

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Options 2 and 3 will not allow you to make direct speaking comments. If you wish to make a written comment, please follow the steps below. 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.

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4. 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 Board regular meeting. Please submit your comment to the Clerk of the Board at FCGMA@venturacounty.gov. Please indicate in the subject line of your email the Agenda item number (e.g., Item 9). Your comment will be read by the Board of Directors and placed into the record.
5. If you are listening or watching the live stream of the Board meeting and would like to make either a general public comment (see Item 5) 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 to the Clerk of the Board at FCGMA@venturacounty.gov. Please indicate in the email subject line the Agenda item number (e.g., Item 9).

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 memos, presentations, maps, etc. If possible, in advance of the meeting, email PDFs to FCGMA@venturacounty.gov and indicate the related Agenda item number in your email's subject line.

ADA Accommodations: Persons who require accommodation for any audio, visual, or other disability in order to review an Agenda or to participate in the Board of Directors meeting per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), may request such accommodation in writing addressed to the Clerk of the FCGMA Board, 800 So. Victoria Avenue, Location #1610, Ventura, CA 93009-1610, via email to FCGMA@venturacounty.gov, or via telephone by calling (805) 654-2014. Any such request should be made at least 48 hours prior to the meeting so staff can make the necessary arrangements.

Availability of Complete Agenda Package: A copy of the complete Agenda package is available for examination at the FCGMA office during regular working hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday) beginning 72 hours before the regular Board meeting. Agenda packet contents are also posted on the FCGMA website as soon as possible and left there for archival retrieval in case reference is needed on previously considered matters. Questions about specific Agenda items should be directed to the Agency's Executive Officer by emailing FCGMA@venturacounty.gov.

Continuance of Items: The Board will endeavor to consider all matters listed on this Agenda. However, time may not allow the Board to hear all matters listed. Matters not heard at this meeting may be carried over to the next Board meeting or to a future Board 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.

The Ralph M. Brown Act: It is the intent of the law that the actions of this Board be taken openly and that their deliberations be conducted openly. Read about the Ralph M. Brown Act via this link: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displayText.xhtml?chapter=9.&division=2.&lawCode=GQV&part=1.&title=5.

Agency Information and Updates: Our website address is <https://fcgma.org/>. Information available includes meeting materials and schedules, Agency Ordinances, Resolutions, reports, forms, and more. FCGMA Board Regular meetings occur on the fourth Wednesday of the month, unless otherwise noted. If you would like to be added to our agenda notification email list, or to speak to a staff member, please contact the FCGMA Clerk of the Board via telephone at (805) 654-2014 or via email at FCGMA@venturacounty.gov.