



The Southwestern Water Conservation District
The West Building, 841 E Second Avenue
Durango, CO 81301

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN FOR
SOUTHWESTERN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S
Regular Board Meeting

Location

SWCD Office & Via Zoom
841 E 2nd Avenue, Durango CO, 81301

Date and Time

04/09/2025 & 04/10/2025

Remote Connection

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Meeting ID: 835 9975 3537

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Phone Number: (346) 248 – 7799

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Other Details

Posted and Noticed April 08, 2025

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Except the time indicated for when the meeting is scheduled to begin, the times noted for each agenda item are estimates and subject to change. The Board may address and act on agenda items in any order to accommodate the needs of the Board and the audience. Agenda items can also be added during the meeting at the consensus of the Board.

Agenda items may be placed on the Consent Agenda when the recommended action is non-controversial. The Consent Agenda may be voted on without reading or discussing individual items. Any Board member may request clarification about items on the Consent Agenda. The Board may remove items from the Consent Agenda at their discretion for further discussion.



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SWCD Regular Board Meeting Agenda April 09 & 10, 2025

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025

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| 1 | Call to Order – Roll Call, Verification of Quorum | 1:00 PM |
| 2 | Review and Approve Agenda | 1:02 PM |
| 3 | Approve and/or Remove Consent Agenda Items | 1:04 PM |
| 4 | Consent Agenda | 1:06 PM |
| | 4.1 Summary and Acceptance of Treasures Report
(January and February 2025) | |
| | 4.2 Minutes (06-12 & 13-2024, 10-09 & 10-10-2024, 03-20-25) | |
| 5 | Legislative Affairs | 1:10 PM |
| | 5.1 State Legislative Update, including discussion and
possible SWCD position on any introduced bills – Garin
Vorthmann | |
| | 5.2 Federal Affairs Update – Christine Arbogast | |
| 6 | Colorado Water Conservation Board Update | 1:45 PM |
| | Southwest CWCB Director Lorelei Cloud | |
| 7 | General Counsel Legal Report | 2:00 PM |
| | 7.1 Substitute water supply plan request to change 110
acre-feet of Pine River Weminuche Pass Ditch Water. | |
| | 7.2 Proposed Settlement in Case No. 24CW3042, Water
Division 7 (Rules and Regulations Governing the
Measurement of Surface Water and Groundwater
Diversions and Storage, Release, and Delivery of Water
Located in Water Division 7) | |
| | 7.3 Monthly Water Court Resume Review (Division 3, 4, 7) | |
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8	SWCD Staff Reports	2:30 PM
8.1	Colorado River Basin Activities – Steve Wolff	
8.2	SWCD Water Conservation and Infrastructure Partnership Update – Steve Wolff and Mo Rock	
8.3	Posting of SWCD Accounting and Grants Coordinator Position – Steve Wolff	
8.4	CWCB Technical Assistance Grants – Steve Wolff and Carrie Padgett	
8.5	Summary from SWCD's 41 st Annual Water Seminar – Mo Rock and Elaine Chick	
8.6	SWCD Leave Policy (clean-up) – Steve Wolff and Beth Van Vurst	
8.7	Programs Coordinator Activities – Growing Water Smart & WEco Southwest Basin Tour – Mo Rock	
8.8	Sonoran Institute Outstanding Partner Award to SWCD – Steve Wolff & Mo Rock	
8.9	Update of SWCD's Policy Regarding the Water Information Program – Steve Wolff	
8.10	Update on CD Investments – Steve Wolff	
8.11	SWCD Board Committee Discussion– Steve Wolff	
9	Questions and Comments from the Public	3:10 PM
	Break	3:15 PM
10	Executive Session	3:30 PM
10.1	Proposed Settlement in Case No. 24CW3008, Division 3 (Application of the San Luis Valley Water Conservancy District and the Beaver Mountain Estates Property Owners Association for Change of Water Rights and Plan for Augmentation)	
10.2	Colorado River Compact, Interstate and Intrastate matters, including Post-2026 Colorado River Guideline	
11	Summary and Action Items from Executive Session	4:30 PM
12	Adjourn Day 1	4:45 PM

Three or more board members may meet at XXX for dinner.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025

13 Call to Order – Roll Call, Verification of Quorum **8:30 AM**
Review and Approve Agenda

14 Director Updates and Concerns 8:35 AM
Location for August Board Meeting & Tour

15 Special Presentation 9:00 AM
Representative Jeff Hurd

16 Hydrology Updates 9:20 AM

- 16.1 Colorado River Hydrologic Conditions – Steve Wolff
- 16.2 2025 CWCB Instream Flow Program Recommendations
– Steve Wolff, Beth Van Vurst, and Carrie Padgett
 - 16.2.1 Update on Proposed instream flow appropriation of instream flow right on Burrows Creek and acquisition of the Mineral Point Ditch and its associated transmountain water right.
 - 16.2.2 Update on Proposed instream flow appropriation of instream flow right on Goat Creek.
- 16.3 Water Quality Updates – Peter Butler

17 Partner Updates 9:50 AM

- 17.1 Water Information Program – Elaine Chick
- 17.2 Harris Water Engineering Report – Carrie Padgett
- 17.3 USGS Stream Gauging – Kevin Murphy
- 17.4 2025 Weather Modification – Eric Hjermstead
- 17.5 2025 Snow and Avalanche School – Jeff Derry
- 17.6 Bonita Peak CAG – Chara Ragland
- 17.7 Colorado Water Conservation Board – Laura Spann

18	Facilitated Farm Transfer Model	10:30 AM
	Special Presentation – Blake Mammich & Kate Ryan with the Colorado Water Trust	
19	Utah’s Demand Management Pilot Program	11:00 AM
	Special Presentation - Lily Bosworth, Colorado River Authority of Utah	
20	Questions and Comments from the Public	11:30 AM
21	Upcoming Meetings and Announcements	11:35 AM
21.1	April 24	SWCD Special Board Meeting – Legislative
21.2	April 28-30	Growing Water Smart Workshop – Montrose, CO
21.3	May 8	SWCD Special Board Meeting – If needed
21.4	June 2-3	WEco Southwest Basin Tour
21.5	June 12-13	SWCD Regular Board Meeting
21.6	2025	Joint Meeting with CRWCD?
22	Adjournment	11:30 AM