



**ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY
 ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY FINANCING AUTHORITY
 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026, AT 5:30 PM

6450 WEST AVENUE "N," PALMDALE, CA 93551

TELECONFERENCE LOCATION(S): 41031 – 40TH St W, Palmdale, CA 93551; 2856 Owens Way, Rosamond, CA 93560; 43102 – 28TH St W, Lancaster, CA 93536; & ZOOM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL: Division 6 – **Audrey Miller** _____; Division 5 – **Robert Parris** _____; Division 3 – **Jay Tremblay** _____; Division 2 – **Keith Dyas** _____; Division 1 – **Drew Mercy** _____; Division 7 – **Gary Van Dam** _____; Division 4 – **George Lane** _____

OFFICERS: General Manager – **Matthew Knudson**; Attorney – **Jim Markman**; Board Secretary/Treasurer – **Holly Hughes**

4. VOLUNTARY PUBLIC ROLL-CALL – If any member of the public wishes to introduce themselves, please feel free to do so now.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PERIOD OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – If anyone wishes to address the board on any item not on the agenda, please feel free to do so now.

6. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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6(a-1)	Adoption of Agenda for Special Board Meeting of February 24, 2026	Board Order 6(a-1)	4

7. CONSENT CALENDAR – ACTION ITEMS – The public and board shall have an opportunity to comment on any action item(s) on the Consent Calendar as the Consent Calendar is considered collectively by the Board of Directors prior to action being taken.

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7(a-1.1)	Approve Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of February 4, 2026	Board Order 7(a-1.1)	5

8. ITEM(S) FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Finance Committee (KD/GL/RP) 02/17/26

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8(a-1)	Presentation – Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016 – “Call Options” Ridgeline Municipal Strategies, LLC (<i>Dmitry Semenov, Principal Financial Advisor</i>)		n/a
8(a-2)	Consideration and possible action to accept and file the Check Register Lists for the period of January 29, 2026, through February 11, 2026 (<i>General Manager Knudson</i>)	Board Order 8(a-2)	8
8(a-3)	Consideration and possible action to accept and file the Treasurer’s Report for the month ending January 31, 2026 (<i>Finance Manager Yates</i>)	Board Order 8(a-3)	15
8(a-4)	Consideration and possible action on a Purchase Order with International Water Screens (IWS) to repair the three moss screens at the Quartz Hill Water Treatment Plant in the not-to-exceed amount of \$51,886.77; Budgeted (<i>Operations Manager Bozigian</i>)	Board Order 8(a-4)	30
8(a-5)	Consideration and possible action on a Purchase Order with Miracle Machinery for the removal of spent coagulant at the Quartz Hill Water Treatment Plant in the not-to-exceed amount of \$100,400.00; Budgeted (<i>Operations Manager Bozigian</i>)	Board Order 8(a-5)	33
8(a-6)	Consideration and possible action on a Purchase Order with Calgon Carbon for removal, disposal, and replacement of 52,000 lbs. of filter media in two of the four filters at the Acton Water Treatment Plant in the not-to-exceed amount of \$253,750.00; Budgeted (<i>Operations Manager Bozigian</i>)	Board Order 8(a-6)	36
8(a-7)	Consideration and possible action on a Purchase Order with Calgon Carbon to remove and dispose of 52,000 lbs. of filter media in filters 3 & 4 at the Acton Water Treatment Plant in the not-to-exceed amount of \$85,800.00; Budgeted (<i>Operations Manager Bozigian</i>)	Board Order 8(a-7)	40

b. New Business

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8(b-1)	Consideration and possible action on an Amendment to Agreement with Department of Water Resources (DWR) for the supply and conveyance of water by DWR under the Dry Year Water Purchase Program – Optional Program (<i>Assistant General Manager Livesay</i>)	Board Order 8(b-1)	44
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c. Watermaster & Groundwater Stewardship Committee (RP/AM/DM) 02/20/26

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8(c-1)	Provide Guidance to AVEK Representative for Antelope Valley Watermaster Meeting and Agenda for March 4, 2026, Watermaster Board Meeting (<i>General Manager Knudson</i>)	Board Order 8(c-1)	73
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9. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT ON WATER SUPPLY, PROJECTS, AND PROGRAMS

- a. Update on DWR Funding towards construction of SNIP Phase II Project

10. DIRECTORS REPORTS

11. ATTORNEY REPORT

12. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. CLOSED SESSION

- a. Possible Closed Session - Pursuant to Government Code Section §54957, Legal Counsel Position

14. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. ADJOURNMENT

Note: The Board reserves the right to discuss and/or act on all the above agenda items.

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Posted: February 19, 2026 @ 7:15 p.m. by Holly Hughes, Board Secretary-Treasurer