



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

**MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2026, AT 5:30 PM**

**6450 WEST AVENUE "N," PALMDALE, CA 93551**

**TELECONFERENCE LOCATION(S): 41031 – 40<sup>TH</sup> St W, Palmdale, CA 93551; 2856 Owens Way, Rosamond, CA 93560; & 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 March 09, 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 10, 2026	Board Order 7(a-1.1)	5

**8. ITEM(S) FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

**a. Finance Committee (KD/GL/RP) 03/03/26** **Page**

8(a-1)	Consideration and possible action to accept and file the Check Register Lists for the period of February 12, 2026, through February 25, 2026 ( <i>General Manager Knudson</i> )	Board Order 8(a-1)	10
8(a-2)	Consideration and possible action Resolution R-26-03; Amending the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency Investment Policy and Guidelines ( <i>General Manager Knudson/Finance Manager Yates</i> )	Board Order 8(a-2)	18
8(a-3)	Consideration and possible action on a Purchase Order with Crowley Company for the purchase of chemical feed pumps and related equipment for the Acton Water Treatment Plant in the not-to-exceed amount of \$61,332.12; Budgeted ( <i>Operations Manager Bozigian</i> )	Board Order 8(a-3)	35

**b. High Desert Water Bank & Water Bank Resources Committee (KD/GL/GV) 02/25/26** **Page**

8(b-1)	Monthly Update on the High Desert Water Bank (HDWB) Project ( <i>Assistant General Manager Livesay</i> )		n/a
8(b-2)	Consideration and possible action on advertisement of Well Drilling Package #4 (Project No. HDWB 26-01) ( <i>Assistant General Manager Livesay</i> )	Board Order 8(b-2)	40
8(b-3)	Consideration and possible action on advertisement of Stage 3 Recharge System Improvements (Project No. HDWB 26-02) ( <i>Assistant General Manager Livesay</i> )	Board Order 8(b-3)	42

**c. Water Projects Committee (AM/KD/RP) 03/02/26** **Page**

8(c-1)	Consideration and possible action on award of contract for West Feeder Pipeline Repairs to Sierra Construction & Excavation in the not-to-exceed amount of \$174,460 ( <i>Engineering Manager Roberts</i> )	Board Order 8(c-1)	45
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8(c-2)	Consideration and possible action on award of contract for Asphalt Repair project (Project No. OM 26-01) to ANM Construction in the not-to-exceed amount of \$298,000 <i>(Engineering Manager Roberts)</i>	Board Order 8(c-2)	47
8(c-3)	Update on Quartz Hill Water Treatment Plant Clearwell No. 1 Valve Replacement Project <i>(Engineering Manager Roberts)</i>		n/a

**d. Customer Relations & Public Information Committee (GV/DM/JT) 03/05/26 Page**

8(d-1)	Consideration and possible action on the 2025 Annual Water Quality Reports for Los Angeles County and Kern County <i>(Laboratory Manager Wray)</i>	Board Order 8(d-1)	49
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**e. Executive Committee (GL/GV/KD) 02/11/26 Page**

8(e-1)	<i>Presentation Only</i> – Concept for 2-Year Pilot Program to equitably deliver a defined amount of water at a Reduced Rate to AVEK’s Customer <i>(General Manager Knudson)</i>		n/a
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**9. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT ON WATER SUPPLY, PROJECTS, AND PROGRAMS**

**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: March 5, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m. by Holly Hughes, Board Secretary-Treasurer