



Meeting Notice

Central Valley Flood Protection Board Meeting Date & Time

**Friday, January 16, 2026
9:00 AM**

Location

California Natural Resources Agency Headquarters
715 P Street, Main Auditorium (1st Floor), Sacramento, CA 95814

Remote Attendance

Join as an attendee online via our [Zoom Link](#)
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Agenda

The items listed below may be considered in a different order at the Board's discretion. All items appearing on this agenda may be subject to Board action, whether expressly listed as an action item or not.

1. Roll Call, Establish a Quorum
2. Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements
3. Review Agenda
4. Approve Minutes (Action)

A. December 5, 2025

5. Consent Items (Action)

A. Approve Permit No. 19899, Buffington Tract Salmonoid Habitat Restoration Project, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Stanislaus County,
Celina Ortega, Board Staff, Operations Branch

B. Approve Permit No. 20002, Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority Wind-Wave Buffer Element of the Climate Resiliency Project, Yuba County
Michael Zelazo, Board Staff, Flood System Improvement Branch

6. Public Comment (non-agenda items only)

7. Legislative Update

A written update on pertinent State legislation and federal news will be provided.

8. United States Army Corps of Engineers

9. Board Items

A. Adopt Resolution 2026-01 to rescind the Board's adoption of the 2012 California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) Tribal Consultation Policy and adopt the 2025 CNRA Tribal Consultation Policy (Action)
Jordan Robbins, Board Staff, Environmental and Land Management Branch; Geneva E. B. Thompson, CNRA, Deputy Secretary for Tribal Affairs

B. Water Education Foundation's 2025 Water Leaders Water Rights Policy Paper (Informational)
Jamie Silva, Board Staff, Environmental and Land Management Branch; Chelsea Spier, DWR Staff, North Central Regional Office, Regional Coordinator; Sonya Milonova, CA Water Data Consortium Staff, Senior Program Manager; Will Anderson, Luhdorff & Scalmanini Consulting Engineers Staff, Project Geologist; Jason Wiener, Environmental Science Associates Staff, Senior Hydrologist/Geomorphologist; Kevin Thielen, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Staff, Civil Engineer, Hydrologic

10. Department of Water Resources

- A. 2025 Inspection and Local Maintaining Agency Report of the Central Valley State-Federal Flood Protection System. (Informational)
Preston Shopbell, Board Staff, Operations Branch;
Wade Wylie, DWR Staff, Division of Flood Operations;
Zachary Jojola, DWR Staff, Division of Flood Operations;
Mike Thao, DWR Staff, Division of Flood Operations
- B. Department of Water Resources Activity Report (Informational)

11. Staff Activity Reports

Written updates regarding the activities of the Board's staff:

- A. Executive Staff and Administrative Division
- B. Operations Branch
- C. Flood System Improvement Branch
- D. Natural Resource Management and Planning Division
- E. Executive Officer Delegated Permit Report

12. Board Comments and Committee Updates

13. Upcoming Meetings

- Coordinating Committee, January 27, 2026 (West Sacramento City Hall)
- Board Workshop, February 13, 2026 (California Natural Resources Agency)
- Advisory Committee, February 24, 2026 (Central Valley Flood Protection Board)
- Board Meeting, February 27, 2026 (California Natural Resources Agency)

14. Closed Session

- A. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126(e)(i). To discuss litigation: American River Trees, et al. vs The Central Valley Flood Protection Board, et al., US District Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:25-cv-02384-DC-CSK.
Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel
- B. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126(e)(i). To discuss litigation: Mandroop Singh Purewal, et al. vs. State of California, Superior Court of the State of California County of Yolo Case No. CV2025-1439.
Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel

- C. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126 (e)(i). To discuss litigation: Sierra Northern Railway vs. Central Valley Flood Protection Board, et al., Superior Court of the State of California, County of Yolo Case No. CV-2022-0479.
Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel
- D. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126 (e)(i). To discuss litigation: Liam Meyer v. Central Valley Flood Protection Board, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-00276397.
Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel
- E. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126 (e)(i). To discuss litigation: The People of The State vs. Yeung Farms Enterprises, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Yolo CV-2020-330.
Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel
- F. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126, subdivisions (e)(1), (e)(2)(B)(i), and (e)(2)(C)(i), to consider potential litigation involving the Board.
Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel
- G. Pursuant to the authority of Government Code section 11126, subdivisions (a)(1), to consider personnel matters.
Kanwarjit (Jit) Dua, Board Counsel

15. Closed Session Report

16. Adjournment

Public Comment

The Board and its staff value the public's input. Members of the public can provide comments to the Board verbally and/or in writing on any agenda item (except closed session items) or during public comment for items not on the agenda but in the Central Valley Flood Protection Board's jurisdiction.

Members of the public who wish to provide comments in writing are encouraged to submit them prior to the meeting by emailing the Board Clerk at kathryn.baines@cvflood.ca.gov. Comments received prior to the meeting will be provided to the Board Members. All written materials received by the Board in advance of or during the meeting are part of the public record.

Members of the public who wish to provide public comment during the meeting may do so either in person or by remote participation. In-person commenters are requested to fill out a public comment card available at the meeting. Members of the public who wish to provide public comment by phone or remote attendance will be given an opportunity to do so on each item during the meeting. All speakers addressing the Board are requested to identify themselves and their affiliation for the record. In general, speakers will be limited to 3 minutes, but this may be adjusted at the discretion of the Board President.

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