

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, DECEMBER 11, 2025.**

*A regular meeting of the Commissioners of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association was held Thursday, December 11, 2025, at 6450 West Avenue N, Palmdale, CA 93551, at 2856 Owens Way, Rosamond, CA 93560, and via teleconference. Chair Mac Laren-Gomez called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.*

**1) Pledge of Allegiance.**

At the request of Chair Mac Laren-Gomes, Commissioner Van Dam led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2) Roll Call.**

**Attendance:**

Kathy Mac Laren-Gomez, Chair  
Gary Van Dam, Vice-Chair  
Barbara Hogan, Commissioner  
Keith Dyas, Commissioner  
Don Wilson, Commissioner

**Others Present (In-person & via Zoom):**

Peter Thompson, General Manager  
Viridiana Iguaran, Controller  
Matthew Knudson, AVEK General Manager  
James Chaisson, LCID General Manager  
Drew Mercy, AVEK Board Director  
Scott Kellerman, PWD Board Director  
Tom Barnes, AVEK  
Angel Fitzpatrick, AVEK

0 members of the public

EXCUSED ABSENCE~ Leo Thibault, Commissioner

**3) Adoption of Agenda.**

It was moved by Commissioner Hogan, seconded by Commissioner Van Dam, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to adopt the agenda as written:

Chair Mac Laren-Gomez – aye  
Commissioner Hogan – aye  
Commissioner Wilson – aye  
Commissioner Dyas – aye  
Commissioner Van Dam – aye

**4) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.**

There were no public comments.

**5) Special Presentation – Article 21 Water (General Manager Thompson II)**

General Manager Thompson II presented an overview of State Water Project operations related to San Luis Reservoir, including conveyance through the Banks and Gianelli pumping facilities and the storage of unused Table A water as Article 56 (Carryover) water. San Luis Reservoir is a shared SWP/CVP facility, with contractors holding minimum storage rights equal to 25 percent of their Table A allocation

The presentation explained that Article 21 water becomes available when the SWP share of San Luis Reservoir is full, and pumping capacity exceeds contractor demand. Article 21 water is allocated proportionally, delivered in addition to Table A supplies, and incurs only transportation costs. When Article 21 water is made available, an equivalent amount of stored Article 56 water is administratively converted to current-year Table A water (“spill”), with deductions applied first to overstored accounts. Staff also discussed strategies to manage spill risk through early planning and scheduling decisions

**6) Consideration and possible action on meeting minutes for the regular meeting held on October 9, 2025.**

It was moved by Commissioner Van Dam, seconded by Commissioner Hogan, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve the meeting minutes of the regular meeting held on October 9, 2025 as written:

Chair Mac Laren-Gomez – aye  
Commissioner Hogan – aye  
Commissioner Wilson – aye  
Commissioner Dyas – aye  
Commissioner Van Dam – aye

**7) Payment of Bills.**

It was moved by Commissioner Van Dam, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve payment and ratification of payment of the bills received from AVEK in the amount of \$1,991.28, including labor charges for Tom Barnes and Angel Fitzpatrick for the periods of October 1, 2025, through November 30, 2025, from PWD in the amount of \$141.98, including labor charges for Pam Clark for the month of November 2025, Woodard and Curran in the amount of \$6,446.25 for professional services for the period ending September 26, 2025, associated with the 2019 AVIRWM Plan update and funding, Helix Environment Planning in the amount of \$3,462.50 for professional services through October 19, 2025 for environmental consulting for the Littlerock Creek Recharge Project, ACWA in the amount of \$3,690.00 for the Association's 2026 Annual Dues, and ACWA JPIA in the amount of \$2,174.63 for the Association's 2025/2026 Liability Program.

Chair Mac Laren-Gomez – aye  
Commissioner Hogan – aye  
Commissioner Wilson – aye  
Commissioner Dyas – aye  
Commissioner Van Dam – aye

**8) Update on the Littlerock Creek Recharge Project. (Tom Barnes, AVEK)**

General Manager Thompson II provided an update on the Littlerock Creek Recharge Project. The presentation included a brief overview of the project status and an anticipated near-term timeline, noting approximately 30 days for the next phase of activity.

He then reported on the project budget status, explaining that the project budget was developed by repurposing \$37,717.46 from the Big Rock Creek Recharge Project, which has been closed out. A summary of remaining project costs and the current budget allocation was presented to the Commission.

**9) Report on Water Resources and Activities. (Pam Clark, PWD)**

**a) Legislative Tour Update**

Pam Clark (PWD) provided an update on early planning for a tentative Spring 2026 Legislative Tour. Planning is being coordinated around the Legislature's Spring Recess (March 26–April 6, 2026), with a tentative tour date of April 1, 2026, subject to availability.

**10) Report of Controller.**

**a) Update on Revenue, Expenses, and Change in Net Position.**

**11) Report of General Manager.**

**a) Status Updates:**

**1) Antelope Valley Watermaster Meetings.**

General Manager Thompson II reported that the Watermaster reviewed the draft 2026 Budget and Administrative Assessments and will consider approval at the December 17, 2025, Board meeting.

He then reported that the Watermaster Attorney is drafting a memo and draft Carry Over Storage Agreement for review by the Advisory Committee and Watermaster Board.

**2) Update on Association's Web Domain**

He reported that the AVSWCA.org domain expired due to an invalid payment method and was subsequently purchased by a third party. The Association attempted to repurchase the domain, offering approximately \$475; the third party countered at \$25,000, and staff submitted a final offer of \$500, with a response pending. In the interim, staff acquired AVSWCA.net for \$125, and the Association's website is currently accessible at AVSWCA.net.

**3) Future Agenda Items.**

He reported that future agenda items will include updates on various projects and grant funding, a presentation by SWC on Energy Roadmap, or SWP Subsidence, and the a presentation on the Use of USGS Program Data.

**12) Reports of Commissioners.**

Commissioner MacLaren-Gomez reported that she attended the CFEE Water Conference.

**13) Report of Attorney.**

None

**14) Commission Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.**

Commissioner Van Dam requested an update on Sediment Removal.

**15) Consideration and Possible Action on Scheduling the Next Association Meeting on February 12, 2026.**

After a discussion among the Commissioners, it was agreed that the next meeting would be held on its regular date and time of February 12, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

**16) Adjournment.**

With no further business to come before the Commissioners, the regular meeting of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association Commissioners was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Wilson", is written over a horizontal line.

AVSWCA Secretary

Commissioner Don Wilson