
State Water Resources Control Board

Notice of Wastewater Needs Assessment Advisory Group 2026 Quarterly Meetings

Staff of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) announces the next four Wastewater Needs Assessment (WWNA) Advisory Group quarterly meetings to be held in 2026. The WWNA Advisory Group was formed in 2024 to support the State Water Board's effort to better understand and address wastewater challenges across California. Thirty members representing diverse organizations were selected through a public application process. The Advisory Group meets quarterly and serves as a volunteer consultative body to provide input on the development and implementation of the WWNA. While the group has no decision-making authority, its recommendations inform the State Water Board, which considers them through public processes consistent with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

A quorum of the Board will not be present, and no decisions will be made.

Participation Option

Review the [Agenda](#) on the [UCLA Luskin Center for Innovation WWNA website](#), where it will be publicly available no later than one business day before the scheduled WWNA Advisory Group Meetings.

Attend the Public Meetings

- Participation in the meetings is available remotely only through the Zoom links and meeting IDs provided below:

WWNA Advisory Group Meeting

Friday, January 30, 2026 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM

(<https://ucla.zoom.us/j/2117553962>)

Meeting ID: 211 7553 962

WWNA Advisory Group Meeting

Friday, April 24, 2026 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM

(<https://ucla.zoom.us/j/2117553962>)

Meeting ID: 211 7553 962

E. JOAQUIN ESQUIVEL, CHAIR | ERIC OPPENHEIMER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

WWNA Advisory Group Meeting

Friday, July 31, 2026 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM

(<https://ucla.zoom.us/j/2117553962>)

Meeting ID: 211 7553 962

WWNA Advisory Group Meeting

Friday, October 30, 2026 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM

(<https://ucla.zoom.us/j/2117553962>)

Meeting ID: 211 7553 962

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- Call (916) 341-5254
- Email languageservices@waterboards.ca.gov

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Makipag-ugnayan sa amin para humiling ng impormasyon sa iyong wika.

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Background

On July 1, 2023, the University of California Los Angeles – Luskin Center for Innovation (UCLA, contracted primary investigator), California State University, Sacramento – Office of Water Programs, University of California – Agriculture and Natural Resources, and University of Massachusetts – Amherst (collectively, the WWNA project team) began Phase 1 of the WWNA, evaluating the baseline conditions and needs of California’s wastewater infrastructure to inform opportunities for advancing equitable access to sanitation. In Phase 2, the WWNA project team will develop and share strategies to address these sanitation system needs. The WWNA Advisory Group members will share their expertise and perspectives to advise the WWNA project team on Phase 2 project tasks, such as mapping unsewered areas and data gaps using a predictive model, assessing inadequate and at-risk systems, identifying cost-effective solutions for those systems determined to be inadequate and connection opportunities for onsite sewage treatment systems, evaluating affordability and funding, creating a roadmap for the State Water Board’s ongoing WWNA effort, and other areas.

Stay Informed

To receive email notifications about the WWNA Advisory Group meetings, including the agenda, any changes to the date, time, or meeting information in this public notice, subscribe to the email distribution list at the Wastewater Needs Assessment [Program website](#). In the “Stay Informed” section of the website, enter your email address, then select the submit button. If this is your first time subscribing to a Water Boards email subscription list, you will have to register and create a password.

Contact Information

- Program contact: WWNA@waterboards.ca.gov
- Website: [Wastewater Needs Assessment | California State Water Resources Control Board](#).

January 12, 2026
Date



Courtney Tyler
Clerk to the Board