



Executive Committee Meeting
(Meeting via Zoom)
MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 7, 2026, 7:30 a.m.
<https://www.isdoc.net>

I. WELCOME:

President McVicker called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m. A quorum was not achieved.

II. DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Bob McVicker	President	Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC)
Vacant	1 st Vice President	
Marilyn T. Thoms	2 nd Vice President	East Orange County Water District (EOCWD)
Al Nederhood	3 rd Vice President	MWDOC (arrived at 7:42 a.m.)
Saundra Jacobs	Treasurer	Santa Margarita Water District (SMWD)
Vacant	Secretary	

III. DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Greg Mills	Immediate Past President	Serrano Water District (SWD)
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IV. SUPPORT STAFF PRESENT:

Tina Dubuque	MWDOC
Heather Baez	MWDOC
Sharon Brimer	Recording Secretary

V. OTHERS PRESENT:

Aimee Diaz	OC LAFCO
Brad Reese	Serrano Water District (SWD)
Jim Fisler	Mesa Water District (MWD)
John Withers	Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD)
Larry Dick	MWDOC
Leo Lara	OC LAFCO
Mark Anderson	Trabuco Canyon Water District (TCWD)
Mark Monin	El Toro Water District (ETWD)
Mike Schaefer	Costa Mesa Sanitary District (CMSD)
Nichole Wiltshire	CMSD
Trudi K. DesRoches	Yorba Linda Water District
Wyatt McClean	ETWD

VI. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: NO QUORUM

A quorum was not met. The Item was taken later in the meeting.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

No Public Comments.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

No New Business.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

Program update

Ms. Baez reported that the speaker for the ISDOC Quarterly Luncheon will be Bob Page, Orange County Registrar of Voters. The cost of lunch is \$17, increasing to \$20 in the week leading up to the meeting.

She also noted that CSDA Chief Executive Officer Neil McCormick will speak at the July quarterly meeting, and Chair of the Board of Supervisors Doug Chaffee will be the featured speaker at the October quarterly meeting.

X. TREASURER'S REPORT: Director Sandra Jacobs

Director Jacobs reported that the reconciled March 2026 statement reflects a total balance of \$1,782.94. This amount includes two \$50 payments received for membership and associate dues—one from Emerald Bay Service District and one from Compass Property Management.

The only expense during the period was \$140 paid to the Recording Secretary for secretarial services for the February and March Executive Committee meetings.

XI. CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (CSDA) REPORT: Chris Palmer

No report for this Month

XII. OC LAFCO REPORT – Director Jim Fisler

Director Fisler reported the next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 13, 2026 @ 8:15 a.m. The meeting is also streamed on YouTube.

Director Fisler provided information on upcoming vacancies for commission seats on OC LAFCO, including the alternate seat currently held by Katherine Freshley and the voting member seat held by Doug Davert. He noted that the deadline to submit nominations and declarations of candidacy is 4:00 p.m. on April 13, 2026. Interested candidates from member districts have approximately one week to complete and submit the required documentation.

IX. ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES (ACWA) REPORT: Director Sandra Jacobs

Director Jacobs provided several updates on upcoming events, legislative matters, and opportunities for member engagement.

She announced that on April 15, 2026, ACWA and the Regional Water Authority (RWA) will host a virtual discussion featuring John Watts, Water Policy Counsel for Senator Alex Padilla. The session will focus on how shifting federal priorities and budget decisions are shaping water policy in the western United States, including federal water infrastructure funding, congressional appropriations, and agency approaches to water operations and environmental policy. The event is free and begins at 10:00 a.m., with advance registration required.

On April 21, 2026 ACWA will host a free webinar titled “*Vision for Our Water Future Briefing*” from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., requiring online registration.

She also noted that the Water Education Foundation will conduct a Central Valley Tour from April 22–24, 2026. The cost is \$969, and the tour provides an in-depth look at water resource management in the region.

Regarding legislative advocacy, Director Jacobs reiterated ACWA’s continued encouragement for agencies to support AB 2180, which seeks to clarify how water agencies comply with Proposition 218 when setting water rates. She also highlighted a current request for support of SB 1153, which would clarify the limited role of public water systems during wildfire response.

She reported that the ACWA State Legislative Committee met on April 6, 2026, and made the following recommendations:

- Support AB 2026 (water diversion and groundwater recharge permitting)
- Table AB 2215 (State Water Project water rights) until the May meeting
- Support AB 2739 (Community Water Affordability Program)
- Support SB 1125, unless amended (water rate assistance program)

Director Jacobs encouraged members to review these measures and consider supporting them if appropriate.

7:42 a.m. Director Nederhood arrived – Quorum achieved

ITEM IV – APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES was taken

MOTION:

Motion by Director Jacobs, seconded by Director Thoms, to approve the Executive Committee meeting minutes for March 3, 2026. The motion passed unanimously.

X. ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (OCCOG) REPORT – Director Mike Schaefer

Director Schaefer reported that at the March 26, 2026, OCCOG meeting, the Board received updates from the legislative consultant. Two bills were presented: AB 1567 and

AB 2002—both addressing flexibility in housing initiatives related to RHNA and similar programs. Additionally, AB 2002 proposes that RHNA funding allocations be distributed on a population basis. The progress of these measures will continue to be monitored.

The primary presentation was delivered by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Executive Director Kome Ajise, who provided an overview of planning for the 2028 Summer Olympics and Paralympic Games. The update focused largely on regional coordination, particularly transportation and mobility throughout Southern California.

Key highlights included:

- The 2028 Olympics are expected to be the largest peacetime gathering in history
- Approximately 15 million tickets are anticipated to be sold across all venues
- Attendance is expected to include 100 world leaders, increasing security demands
- Approximately 80 venues and 800 events are planned

In Orange County, two primary venues were identified:

- Volleyball events at the Honda Center
- Surfing events at Trestles Beach

It was noted that parking will not be available directly at event venues due to security measures. Regional transportation systems, including buses, will be heavily utilized to move attendees. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) will play a central role in coordinating transportation and traffic management.

Upcoming Events:

Annual Conference, Wednesday, May 27, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at STA Jets, 3132 Airway Avenue, in Costa Mesa. This event is free to elected officials.

XI. CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF SANITATION AGENCIES (CASA) REPORT: SOCWA Representative

No report for this meeting.

XII. OPERATIONAL AREA (OA) EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT – Director Trudi DesRoches

Director DesRoches reported on recent meetings attended on behalf of ISDOC.

She summarized the January 29, 2026, Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Policy Group training, emphasizing the importance of regularly updating hazard analysis plans to reflect evolving risks. The training also addressed coordination during fire events, noting that private firefighting entities must obtain approval from the local incident command center before accessing affected areas.

Director DesRoches also reported on the February 11, 2026, Emergency Management Council and Operational Area Executive Board meeting. Key topics included updates to Form 700 filing requirements and new mandates for finance training. She shared ISDOC's related efforts and discussions with the group.

Additionally, she highlighted the importance of monthly operational area radio tests, held on the second Tuesday of each month (8:30 a.m. for Operational Area 1 and 9:00 a.m. for Operational Area 2). Participation has been limited, and members were encouraged to participate to ensure equipment functionality and proper use.

The next Emergency Management Council meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2026. Director DesRoches invited members' input on items to bring forward.

XIII. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Membership – Director Thoms

Director Thoms reported that enrollment in associate membership has been slower than anticipated. In response, a second round of invoices will be issued to re-engage prospective associate members.

She noted that sponsorship support has helped reduce costs for upcoming meetings. The April meeting will be sponsored by Venture Strategic, a newer associate member, and efforts are underway to secure sponsors for the following two meetings.

Director Thoms also encouraged member agencies to verify that their annual dues have been paid, as some invoices may have been overlooked.

During the discussion, staff agreed to compile and distribute an updated list of member agencies showing payment status. Ms. Baez and Ms. Dubuque will assist in reconciling records and reissuing invoices as needed. It was clarified that payments may be received either through Stripe or by check, with checks processed and deposited through the Treasurer.

- Legislative Update – Director Nederhood

Director Nederhood thanked Ms. Baez for her assistance with the report while attending CSDA Legislative Days in Sacramento, noting strong attendance at the event.

He commented on the volume of legislative activity in Sacramento, particularly proposals related to artificial intelligence, and noted that CSDA generally opposes additional regulatory measures in this area.

Director Nederhood also highlighted proposed legislation that would allow the High-Speed Rail Authority to access property tax revenues, which CSDA opposes.

He concluded by observing that many current legislative proposals may have financial and regulatory impacts on local agencies and will continue to be monitored.

XIV. ADJOURN:

The Executive Committee meeting was adjourned at 7:58 a.m.

The next ISDOC Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 12, 2026, at 7:30 a.m. via Zoom.

The next ISDOC Quarterly Meeting is on Thursday, April 30, 2026, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in person at the OCWD/MWDOC Board Room.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert R. McVicker".

ISDOC President, Robert R. McVicker