

**SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY**  
**1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223**

**Official Minutes**  
**Board of Directors Special Meeting**  
**March 11, 2026**

THIS MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON,  
WITH PUBLIC AVAILABILITY PROVIDED VIA ZOOM.

**1. Call to Order, Invocation, and Pledge of Allegiance**

The Special Meeting of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Board of Directors was called to order by President Robert Ybarra at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at the office of the Agency. Director Valdivia provided the invocation and Secretary Wargo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Roll Call**

President Ybarra requested a roll call.

**Board Present:**

Robert Ybarra, President  
Larry Smith, Vice-President (via teleconference)  
James Tickemyer, Treasurer  
Sarah Wargo, Secretary  
Blair M Ball, Director  
Mickey Valdivia, Director

**Absent:**

Chander Letulle, Director

**Staff Present:**

Thomas Todd, Jr., Chief Financial Officer  
Jennifer Ustation, Chief Financial Officer  
Maricela Cabral, Exec. Asst./Clerk of the Board  
Emmett Campbell, Director of Water Resources  
Matt Howard, Operations Manager

**Consultant Present:**

Holland Stewart, Legal Counsel (via teleconference)

A quorum was present.

**3. Adoption and Adjustment of Agenda**

The agenda was adopted as published.

**4. Public Comment**

No public comment received.

**5. New Business – Discussion and Possible Action:**

**A. Authorize the General Manager to purchase 3,000 acre-feet of water at a rate of \$225 per acre-foot from Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and complete all necessary documentation**

Director of Water Resources Emmett Campbell presented a proposed water transfer from Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. He reviewed the Agency's current water supply, delivery priorities, and pre-stored water, noting that San Luis Reservoir had reached capacity and spill conditions were imminent, creating urgency to secure available supplies. Mr. Campbell reported that Napa had offered 3,000 acre-feet of carryover water at \$225 per acre-foot, with payment required only for water successfully delivered. He stated the Agency expected to quickly reclassify the water into its 2026 portfolio and noted that approximately 1,000 acre-feet of water debt remains to be repaid this year.

Given the floor by President Ybarra, Dan Jagers, General Manager of Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District commented the Agency is in a stronger position than in previous years, commended the Board and staff for pursuing strategic water transactions, and noted the importance of continuing discussions regarding future storage account capacity.

On a motion by Vice President Smith, seconded by Director Valdivia, the board approved and authorized the General Manager to purchase 3,000 acre-feet of water at a rate of \$225 per acre-foot from Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and complete all necessary documentation.

Approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Valdivia, Wargo, Smith, Tickemyer, Ball, Ybarra

Noes: None

Absent: Letulle

**Motion passed 6-0.**

## **6. Announcements**

President Ybarra reviewed the following announcements:

A. Regular Board Meeting, March 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

B. Finance & Budget Committee Meeting, March 26, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

## **7. Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, President Ybarra adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

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Maricela V. Cabral, CMC, CPMC  
Deputy Secretary of the Board