



San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments
AGENDA AND NOTICE OF THE
MEETING OF THE ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT, AND NATURAL
RESOURCES COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2025 – 10:30 AM
1333 S. MAYFLOWER AVE, SUITE 360
MONROVIA, CA 91016

Chair
Jennifer Stark
Claremont

Vice Chair
Vinh Truong
Duarte

Members
Claremont
Covina
Diamond Bar
Duarte
Glendora
La Cañada
Flintridge
Monrovia
Pasadena
Pomona
Rosemead
San Gabriel
South
Pasadena
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Thank you for participating in this morning's meeting. The SGVCOG encourages public participation and invites you to share your views on agenda items.

MEETINGS: *Regular Meetings of the Energy, Environment & Natural Resources (EENR) Committee are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 10:30 AM at the SGVCOG Monrovia Office (1333 South Mayflower Avenue, Suite 360, Monrovia, CA 91016).* The agenda packet is available at the SGVCOG's Office, 1333 S. Mayflower Avenue, Suite 360, Monrovia, CA, and on the website, www.sgvkog.org. Copies are available via email upon request (sgv@sgvcog.org). A copy of the agenda is also posted for public viewing at the entrance of the SGVCOG Monrovia Office Building. Any additional agenda documents that are distributed to a majority of the Committee after the posting of the agenda will be available for review in the SGVCOG office during normal business hours and on the SGVCOG website noted above.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Your participation is welcomed and invited to all Energy, Environment and Natural Resources meetings. Time is reserved at each regular meeting for those who wish to address the Committee. SGVCOG requests that persons addressing the meeting refrain from making personal, slanderous, profane, or disruptive remarks. A person who continues to disrupt the orderly conduct of the meeting, after being warned by the Committee Chair or designee to cease the disruption, may be precluded from further participation in the meeting.

TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE: At a regular meeting, the public may comment: (i) on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the SGVCOG that is not on the agenda during the public comment period at the beginning of the agenda; (ii) on any item(s) that is on the Consent Calendar prior to action taken on the Consent Calendar; and (iii) on any other agenda item prior to the time it is considered by the Committee. At a special meeting, the public may only comment on items that are on the agenda. Members of the public are requested to state their name prior to speaking. Comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes per person. The Committee Chair may impose additional time limits if comments become repetitious, an individual member of the public seeks to speak on numerous items, or many members of the public seek to speak on an item. Except in limited situations, the Committee may not act on items not appearing on the agenda and/or discuss them at length.

AGENDA ITEMS: The Agenda contains the regular order of business of the Committee. Items on the Agenda have generally been reviewed and investigated by the staff in advance of the meeting so that the Committee can be fully informed about a matter before making its decision.



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CONSENT CALENDAR: Items listed on the Consent Calendar are routine and may be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Committee Member so requests. In this event, the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered after the Committee acts on the balance of the Consent Calendar.

TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS: State law allows Committee Members to teleconference from remote locations as long as certain conditions are met, including listing the teleconference locations in the agenda. The following locations are hereby noticed as teleconference locations, which are accessible to the public for the purposes of observing this meeting and/or addressing the EENR Committee.

City of Covina
125 E. College Street
Covina, CA 91723

Instructions for Public Comments: For those wishing to make public comments on agenda and non-agenda items, but within the SGVCOG's subject matter jurisdiction, you may submit written comments via email or provide a verbal comment.

- Written Comments (Email): If you wish to submit written public comments to be distributed to the Committee Members at the meeting, please submit these materials via email to Mackenzie Bolger at mbolger@sgvcog.org at least 1 hour prior to the scheduled meeting time. Please indicate in the "Subject" line of the email "FOR PUBLIC COMMENT" and the agenda item number to which the public comment is addressed. Written public comments may include, but are not limited to letters, reports, and presentations.
- Verbal Comments (In Person): If you would like to make a public comment at the EENR Committee meeting location, please fill out a public comment card. Comment cards will be made available to you by staff at the entrance to the meeting room. If you are attending the meeting at a noticed teleconference location and would like to make a public comment, please raise your hand when the item upon which you wish to speak comes up on the agenda.
- Verbal Comments (Zoom): If you would like to participate by teleconference from a private location, please email Mackenzie Bolger (mbolger@sgvcog.org) to request an attendee Zoom link. Through Zoom, you may provide a verbal comment by using the web interface "Raise Hand" feature when the agenda item upon which you wish to speak is to be considered. You will then be called upon to provide your verbal comments.

For questions related to accessing the available teleconference locations, please contact Mackenzie Bolger (mbolger@sgvcog.org) or (626) 214-1316.

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

5 MINUTES

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Changes to the Agenda Order

CONSENT CALENDAR

5 MINUTES

5. May EENR Committee Meeting Minutes **(Page 1)**
Recommended Action: Review and approve.
6. FY 2025-2026 Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee Chair and Vice Chair Election
Recommended Action: Reelect Claremont Vice Mayor Jennifer Stark as the FY 2025-2026 EENR Committee Chair and Duarte Councilmember Vinh Truong as the FY 2025-2026 EENR Committee Vice Chair.

PRESENTATION

40 MINUTES

7. Defensible Space Requirements and Local Responsibility Area (LRA) Fire Zone Maps Update – Jeremy Sanchez, Fire Chief, City of Monrovia Fire Department **(Page 4)**
Recommended Action: For information only.
8. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Pure Water Program Update – Elisa T. Mendez, Principal Public Affairs Representative, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California **(Page 6)**
Recommended Action: For information only.

UPDATE ITEMS

10 MINUTES

9. Water Supply Update

LIAISON REPORTS

10 MINUTES

10. Clean Power Alliance
11. San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy
12. San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District
13. Southern California Edison
14. Southern California Gas Company
15. South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD)

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

5 MINUTES

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SGVCOG EENR Committee Special Meeting Minutes

Date: May 7, 2025

Time: 10:30 AM

Location: 1333 S. Mayflower Avenue, Suite 360, Monrovia, CA 91016

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair J. Stark called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.

2. Roll Call

A quorum was in attendance.

Committee Members Present

Claremont	J. Stark
Covina	M. Flores Jr.
Duarte	V. Truong
Glendora	M. Allawos
Pomona	J. Carver
Rosemead	M. Clark
South Pasadena	M. Cacciotti

Absent

Diamond Bar	S. Liu
La Cañada Flintridge	S. Fossan
Monrovia	T. Kelly
Pasadena	J. Guess
San Gabriel	T. Ding
TVMWD	C. Goytia

Guests

Heather Iwamuro, CPUC
Carly Shelby, TPA
Joseph Melo, TPA
Anais Medina Diaz, SGVMVCD
Dalia Gomez, CPA
Cristina Lopez, SCAQMD
Brittany Jasso, Monrovia
Cassie Trapesonian, Woodruff & Smart
Paul Choy, LAC Public Works
Jake Stotz, LACSD
Jeannie Kong, SoCalGas
Kelly Gardener, San Gabriel Basin Watermaster
Marissa Castro-Salvati, SCE

SGVCOG

M. Bolger
S. Wong
C. Sims
K. Lai
S. Piedra
N. Arreaga
V. Urenia
K. Ward
R. Choi
J. Talla
J. Burkart
N. Ryu
S. Mandizvidza
R. Alimoren
R. Coronel
R. Lansing

3. Public Comment

Heather Iwamuro, CPUC, made a public comment.

4. Changes to the Agenda Order

There were no changes to the agenda order.

CONSENT CALENDAR

5. April EENR Meeting Minutes

There was a motion to approve consent calendar. (M/S: Glendora, Duarte)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Claremont, Covina, Duarte, Glendora, Pomona, Rosemead, South Pasadena, TVMWD
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
NO VOTE RECORDED:	
ABSENT:	Diamond Bar, La Cañada Flintridge, Monrovia, Pasadena, San Gabriel

ACTION ITEMS

6. Legislative Positions

There was a motion to recommend the Governing Board adopt a resolution in support of AB 1024 (Harabedian)

(M/S: Claremont, South Pasadena)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Claremont, Covina, Duarte, Glendora, Pomona, Rosemead, South Pasadena
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
NO VOTE RECORDED:	
ABSENT:	Diamond Bar, La Cañada Flintridge, Monrovia, Pasadena, San Gabriel, TVMWD

There was a motion to recommend the Governing Board adopt a resolution in support of S. 1323 (Schiff)

(M/S: South Pasadena, Rosemead)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Claremont, Covina, Duarte, Glendora, Pomona, Rosemead, South Pasadena
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
NO VOTE RECORDED:	
ABSENT:	Diamond Bar, La Cañada Flintridge, Monrovia, Pasadena, San Gabriel, TVMWD

PRESENTATION ITEMS

7. San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District Eaton Fire Update

Anais Medina Diaz, Director of Communications of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District, presented on this item.

There was a motion to direct staff to support the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District's pursuit of funding to mitigate the emerging public health crisis resulting from the unmaintained and fire-damaged pools in the Eaton Fire burn area.

(M/S: Rosemead, South Pasadena)

[Motion Passed]

AYES:	Claremont, Covina, Duarte, Glendora, La Cañada Flintridge, Pomona, Rosemead, South Pasadena
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
NO VOTE RECORDED:	
ABSENT:	Diamond Bar, Monrovia, Pasadena, San Gabriel, TVMWD

8. Food Recovery for Equity, Sustainability, and Health (FRESH SGV) Update
Mackenzie Bolger, SGVCOG Principal Management Analyst, presented on this item.

UPDATE ITEM

9. Water Working Group Chair Report
Mackenzie Bolger provided an update on this item.

LIAISON REPORTS

10. Clean Power Alliance
Dalia Gomez provided an update.
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12. San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District
13. Southern California Edison
Marissa Castro-Salvati provided an update.
14. Southern California Gas Company
Jeannie Kong-Pang provided an update.
15. South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD)
Michael Cacciotti provided an update.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular EENR Committee meeting will take place on June 4th at 10:30 AM.

Mackenzie Bolger announced the Active Open Streets event Mission at Twilight on June 22, 2025.

It was also announced that the SGVCOG is seeking applicants to fill a resident seat on the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy (RMC) Board for a two-year term. Those residents that live in the cities adjacent to the San Gabriel River and are interested should contact Stefanie Hernandez at shernandez@sgvcog.org.

ADJOURN

Chair J. Stark adjourned the Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee meeting at 11:37AM.

REPORT

DATE: June 4, 2025

TO: Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **DEFENSIBLE SPACE REQUIREMENTS AND LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY AREA (LRA) FIRE ZONE MAPS UPDATE**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

For information only.

BACKGROUND

City and County Defensible Space Requirements and Inspections.

Los Angeles County's Defensible Space Inspection Program is a joint effort between the County Fire Department, Agricultural Commissioner Weights and Measures Department, and Weed Hazard and Integrated Pest Management Bureau. The County Fire Department's Defensible Space Unit enforces [the California Public Resources Code Section 4291](#) as it relates to brush clearance and can require the clearance of hazardous vegetation where necessary. The unit also coordinates with fire station personnel on inspections, compliance and annual defensible space training.

Residents in fire hazard severity zones (FHSZ) identified by the CAL FIRE or historically identified with a potential fire hazard within the unincorporated County or in County Fire Department Contract cities will receive annual defensible space notices from the County. County Fire Department inspections in the San Gabriel Valley began on May 1. Residents must pay a \$151 inspection fee reflected in their property tax bill. See Attachment A for an example of the annual defensible space notice, and Attachment B for an FAQ of the Defensible Space Inspection Program.

Cities with fire departments set ordinances in accordance with state regulations regarding residential brush clearance and coordinate defensible space inspections separate from the County of Los Angeles Fire Department. These may include brush clearance programs requiring property owners to create defensible space around their homes and remove any hazardous vegetation from their property. Properties not in compliance with the Cities' defensible space requirements may be subject to reinspection and administrative fees for multiple offenses.

Local Responsibility Area Fire Zone Maps Update.

CAL FIRE's Office of the State Fire Marshall (OSFM) released its 2025 Fire Hazard Severity Zone (FHSZ) maps for Local Responsibility Areas (LRA) in LA County in March 2025. FHSZ maps are updated every ten years and classify lands within local jurisdictions as moderate, high, very high fire hazard severity zones using recent data on fuels, fire history, weather, terrain and other relevant factors.

Local agencies cannot decrease the level of the LRA FHSZ recommended by the OSFM. However,

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they may increase the hazard level or make additions beyond what the State has recommended. Currently, the County has not proposed additions or increases to the LRA FHSZ boundaries, however, the County estimates that an increased number of parcels will be affected by the new LRA FHSZ map updates. These changes may influence building and vegetation management requirements for properties located within newly classified fire hazard zones.

LA County Fire Department and local agencies will review and update the maps and prepare local ordinances for adoption within 120 days. Under [AB 211](#) (2022), jurisdictions are required to conduct a public review process, adopt the new maps, and submit final maps to CAL FIRE.

At the June EENR Committee meeting, City of Monrovia Fire Chief, Jeremy Sanchez, will provide a general overview of the defensible space assessments currently underway and LRA FHSZ maps review and feedback process. See Attachment C for the City of Monrovia's Brush Clearance Program.

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ATTACHMENTS

[Attachment A – County of Los Angeles Annual Defensible Space Notice Example](#)

[Attachment B – County of Los Angeles Annual Defensible Space FAQ Sheet](#)

[Attachment C – City of Monrovia Brush Clearance Program](#)

REPORT

DATE: June 4, 2025

TO: Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee

FROM: Marisa Creter, Executive Director

RE: **METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
PURE WATER PROGRAM UPDATE**

RECOMMENDED ACTION

For information only.

BACKGROUND

The Pure Water Southern California Program is a partnership between the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) and the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts. MWD opened the Grace F. Napolitano Pure Water Southern California Innovation Center and Demonstration Plant in Carson in October 2019. Here, scientists and engineers test the purification process with full-scale modules, to ensure the purified water produced would meet the highest quality water standards and be safe to replenish groundwater basins for drinking water. The Pure Water Program could create new water supplies to help meet the region's needs by providing up to 150 million gallons of water daily or 155,000 acre-feet per year, enough water supply for 1.5 million people.

On May 15, 2025, MWD completed its draft Environment Impact Report (EIR) available for public review through July 14, 2025. MWD will host community meetings to facilitate public participation and information sharing on the EIR, listed [here](#). MWD's press release regarding the draft EIR is included in Attachment A.

At the June EENR Committee meeting, Elisa Mendez, MWD Principal Public Affairs Representative, will provide a presentation on the Pure Water Program and how SGVCOG member agencies and the general public can participate in the public review process.

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ATTACHMENTS

[Attachment A – MWD Draft Environmental Impact Report Press Release](#)
[Attachment B – MWD Draft Environmental Impact Report Fact Sheet](#)