



WESTERN STATES WATER COUNCIL

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Agenda — Council Business Meeting

Thursday, July 16, 2026 • 9:00-11:30 AM MDT

[Zoom Registration Link](#)

- 1. Opening Remarks (10 min)** – Julie Cunningham, Chair & J.D. Strong, Executive Director
- 2. Action: Election of FY2027 Officers (15 min)** – Jerry Rigby, Past Chair
- 3. Action: Approval of Proposed WSWC Policy Positions (20 min)**
 - J.D. & Michelle Bushman, Deputy Director & General Counsel
 - New [Position 2026-03: SRF, WIFIA and STAG](#)
 - Consolidated [Position 2026-04: State Primacy & Cooperative Federalism](#)
- 4. Council Discussion: Carry-Forward Themes from Summer Meeting Sessions (25 min)**
 - J.D. & Michelle
 - Opportunity to identify key themes, priorities, or next steps emerging from Monday through Wednesday discussions.
- 5. Council Input: FY2027 Strategic Focus and Workplan Model (30 min)** – J.D. & Michelle
 - Discussion of proposed FY2027 strategic focus, including use of Strategic Plan as the Council-wide workplan, continued role of standing committees, and possible creation of task groups. Executive Committee action scheduled for Thursday afternoon.
- 6. Council Input: FY2027 Budget Priorities & Assumptions (15 min)** – J.D.
 - Discussion of proposed FY2027 budget assumptions and key issues before Executive Committee action Thursday afternoon.
- 7. Guidance: Future Meeting Plans (15 min)** – J.D. & Michelle
 - Fall 2026 [Meeting in Las Cruces, NM, October 21-23](#)
 - Spring 2027 Meeting in Idaho (location and date TBD)
 - Summer 2027 Meeting (virtual, date TBD)
 - Fall 2027 Meeting in Oregon (location and date TBD)

- Future meeting rotation & planning for 2028-2029 ([projecting](#) DC, AZ, WA and CO)

8. Other Business (5 min) – New Chair

9. Closing Remarks and Next Steps (15 min) – New Chair & J.D.