



WESTERN STATES WATER COUNCIL

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Agenda — Executive Committee

Thursday, July 16, 2026 • 1:30–4:00 PM MDT

Invitation Only

1. Opening Remarks & Approval of Minutes (10 min)

– New Chair & J.D. Strong, Executive Director

- Approval of minutes from June 22, 2026 meeting.

2. Action: FY2027 Strategic Focus (30 min) – J.D. & Michelle Bushman

- Executive Committee review and action on proposed FY2027 strategic focus, including use of the Strategic Plan as the Council-wide workplan, continued role of standing committees and potential creation of task groups.

3. Action: Nebraska Membership Status and FY2027 Dues (15 min) – J.D.

- Review/action on Nebraska's request for Associate Member status and associated FY2027 dues amount.

4. Action: FY2027 Pension Plan Direction (15 min) – J.D. & Michelle

- Review/action on WSWC's current Money Purchase Pension Plan for FY2027

5. Action: FY2027 Budget Approval (20 min) – J.D.

- Final review and approval of the proposed FY2027 budget, including revenue assumptions, dues, salary/COLA assumptions, staffing/contracting contingencies, WaDE/WestDAAT closeout, and other budget matters.

6. Discussion/Guidance: Longer-Term Business Issues (15 min) – J.D.

- Discussion and guidance on longer-term issues not ready for final action, including headquarters building options, future pension/retirement plan alternatives, and other operational considerations.

7. Feedback: Virtual Summer Meetings After-Action Review (15 min) – J.D. & Michelle

8. Guidance: Future Meeting Plans (15 min) – J.D. & Michelle

- Fall 2026 [Meeting in Las Cruces, NM, October 21-23](#)
 - guidance on topics, speakers, etc.
- Further input on future meeting rotation & planning for 2027-2029 ([projecting](#) ID, Virtual, OR, DC, AZ, WA and CO)

9. Other Business (5 min) – New Chair

10. Closing Remarks & Next Steps (10 min) – New Chair & J.D.