

Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)

No Regional Council meetings have been held since our last report.

Orange County Water District (OCWD)

The Board of Directors met on July 17, 2025, to consider contracts for infrastructure maintenance and upgrades, specifically pump station repairs and control system enhancements, aimed at improving operational reliability. Staff presented updates on basin recharge, drought storage, and imported water availability, with the Board authorizing measures to optimize groundwater levels and supply reliability.

The Board met again on August 6, 2025, to discuss ongoing water treatment and quality initiatives, focusing on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) treatment facilities and upgraded disinfection processes. Updates were provided on project timelines and cost tracking. We received a report from the Property Management Committee outlining lease renewals, facility use agreements, and improvements to District-owned lands. The Board approved staff to submit a competitive state water grant proposal aimed at funding stormwater capture upgrades.

Orange County Power Authority (OCPA)

The Board of Directors met on July 14, 2025, and finalized adjustments to rates, reviewing the staff's cost-of-service study and ensuring that changes aligned with renewable procurement targets and financial stability. The Board reviewed the effectiveness of public outreach campaigns, rebate programs for rooftop solar and battery storage, and incentives for EV charging equipment, with data on participation levels. Staff presented an update on revenues, operating expenses, and program expenditures, as well as progress on power purchase agreements and renewable portfolio compliance.

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD)

The Board met on July 8, 2025, to approve amendments to the Metropolitan Administrative Code, creating the Principal Assistant position to the Ethics Officer. The board authorized contracts for pipeline rehabilitation, pumping plant upgrades, and facility energy efficiency retrofits, alongside updates on project schedules and budgets. The Board met in closed session to discuss active litigation.