

**Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake
Structures
MEETING MINUTES
March 21, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Phillip Crader called the 2025 meeting of the Statewide Advisory Committee on Cooling Water Intake Structures (SACCWIS) to consider the 2025 SACCWIS Report to order on March 21, 2025, at 1:00 pm. This meeting was held in-person at the CalEPA Building Coastal Hearing Room in Sacramento, California and via video and teleconference.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS' PRESENT

Phillip Crader, State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board)
Leuwam Tesfai, California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)
Neil Millar, California Independent System Operator (CAISO)
Tom Luster, California Coastal Commission (CCC)
Aleecia Gutierrez, California Energy Commission (CEC)
Nicole Dobroski, California State Lands Commission (SLC)
Natalie Lee, California Air Resources Board (CARB)

INTER-AGENCY WORKING GROUP MEMBERS' PRESENT

Allen Le, CEC
Stephanie Kato, CARB
Cristy Sanada, Alice Kilduff; CAISO
Sophie Babka, CPUC
Jonathan Dolan, Kat Faick; State Water Board

OTHERS PRESENT

- Heather McNair, Annie Rosen; CCC
- Meredith "Molly" Sterkel, Nathan Barcic; CPUC
- Katherine Rubin, Tony Skourtas; Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)
- Catherine Hagan, Rebecca Fitzgerald, Hannah Kempf, Tessa Filipczyk; State Water Board

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

**MOTION TO ADOPT MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 2024 SACCWIS
MEETING**

- Phillip Crader entertained a motion to adopt meeting minutes with revisions from the SACCWIS meeting held on March 11, 2024. Aleecia Gutierrez moved to approve the motion and Phillip Crader seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved by all committee members.

PRESENTATION OF THE DRAFT 2025 REPORT OF THE SACCWIS BY THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION, CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR, CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD, AND STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD ON BEHALF OF THE INTER-AGENCY WORKING GROUP

- Jonathan Dolan (State Water Board), Stephanie Kato (CARB), Jared Ferguson (CPUC), Cristy Sanada (CAISO), and Allen Le (CEC) gave a presentation on the Draft 2025 Report of the SACCWIS.
- Jared Ferguson (CPUC) gave a presentation on proposed changes to the Draft 2025 Report of the SACCWIS.

PRESENTATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER ON THE STATUS OF THEIR FACILITY COMPLIANCE AND MILESTONES TO ACHIEVE FINAL FACILITY COMPLIANCE THROUGH 2029

- Katherine Rubin and Tony Skourtas (LADWP) gave a presentation on the status of LADWP facility compliance, transmission upgrades and replacements to ensure reliability and resiliency.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Natalie Lee, CARB

Aleecia Gutierrez, CEC

Phillip Crader, State Water Board

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDAITEMS

Alexander Nguyen, City of Oxnard

Aurora Rugerio, Central Coast Alliance for A Sustainable Economy

Odette Moran, Central Coast Alliance for a Sustainable Economy

COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS

CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT 2025 REPORT OF THE SACCWIS

- Phillip Crader entertained a motion to approve the Draft 2025 Report of the SACCWIS with proposed revisions discussed during the meeting. Leuwam Tesfai moved to approve the motion and Neil Millar seconded the motion.
- The motion was approved by all committee members.

INFORMATION ITEM TO STATE WATER BOARD

- SACCWIS members were asked by Phillip Crader to present an information item about the SACCWIS Report at a State Water Board meeting on June 17, 2025. Aleecia Gutierrez and Leuwam Tesfai will be presenting this item.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURN

The SACCWIS adjourned at 2:11 pm.