



Agenda and Notice

March 4, 2026

1 p.m. – 4 p.m. PST

Physical Location:

California Air Resources Board, Haagen-Smit Auditorium
4001 Iowa Avenue, Riverside, CA 92507

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Wildfire Safety Advisory Board (WSAB) Meeting Agenda

All times indicated are approximate and subject to change. Any agenda items other than public comments may include a WSAB vote and may be taken out of order for scheduling convenience. Items designated for information are appropriate for WSAB action if WSAB chooses to take action.

This meeting will be hosted virtually and in-person. WSAB members Ralph Armstrong, Marybel Batjer, and Dr. Alexandra Syphard will be participating virtually.

Public Agenda

1. **Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call**

2. **Meeting Minutes**

Description: WSAB will discuss and vote on adoption of minutes of the December 3, 2025 meeting.

Document: Draft Minutes of December 3, 2025 Meeting

3. **Board Member Reports on Site Visits**

Description: WSAB members will report on recent site visits with utilities.

4. **Presentation: Stronger Together: Riverside Public Utilities and Public Safety Partnerships that Protect Our Community**

Description: Steve McKinster, Fire Chief, Rene Valdez, Senior Electrical Engineer, and Daniel Honeyfield, Assistant General Manager – Energy Delivery, City of Riverside, will present on publicly owned utilities' context, coordinating wildfire mitigation activities with other local government

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agencies.

5. **Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety Update**

Description: Steve Kerr, Program and Project Supervisor in the Electrical Safety Policy Division, will provide an update on review of investor-owned utilities' wildfire mitigation plans, safety culture, and executive compensation.

6. **2026 – 2029 Schedule for Publicly Owned Utility and Electrical Cooperative Wildfire Mitigation Plan Submissions**

Description: WSAB will discuss and vote on adoption of a revised schedule for publicly owned utilities and electrical cooperatives to submit their wildfire mitigation plans to WSAB, for the years 2026 – 2029.

Documents: Revised 2026–2029 Schedule for POU and Co-op WMP Submissions staff draft February 2026; Letter from Lassen Municipal Utility District, February 5, 2025

7. **Update on Response to Energy Safety Request for Recommendations**

Description: Staff will present an update on responding to Energy Safety's requests for advice on risk modeling and vegetation management, providing an opportunity for Board member input.

8. **Staff Update**

Description: WSAB staff will present an update on workstreams and strategic planning for 2026, providing an opportunity for Board Member input.

Document: WSAB Strategic Plan Objectives and Tracking, February 2026

9. **Officer Elections**

Description: The Board will elect a Chair and Vice-Chair to 1-year terms.

10. **Energy Safety Consultation on Fiscal Year (FY) 2027–2028 Budget**

Description: The Board will discuss and vote on adoption of a statement of priorities to Energy Safety for the FY 2027–2028 Budget.

Document: Draft WSAB Budget Consultation for FY 2027–2028 Budget

11. **Committee Selection**

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Description: The Board will discuss and vote on adoption of committee selection for Board members.

12. **By-Laws**

Description: WSAB will discuss and vote on adoption of by-laws updated to reflect recent changes in its authorizing statutes.

Documents: Draft WSAB By-Laws, March 2026 Clean; Draft WSAB By-Laws, March 2026 Tracked

13. **Agenda Items for Future Meetings**

Description: WSAB Members may propose items for future meetings.

14. **Public Comment on Matters Not Included on the Agenda**

Description: Members of the public may comment on matters not included on the agenda.

15. **Adjournment**

WSAB Meeting Participation Information

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Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record.

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Postal Mail: 715 P Street, 15th Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814

Email: WSAB@energysafety.ca.gov

Availability of Documents

Link for relevant meeting documents posted on the WSAB webpage:

<https://energysafety.ca.gov/what-we-do/wildfire-safety-advisory-board/wsab-events-and-meetings/>

Please note that the Board intends to publish submitted materials. All submitted comments, attachments, and associated contact information (for example, address, phone number, and email address) may become viewable public documents.

The Board will publish public comments on its docket:

<https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/EFiling/DocketInformation.aspx?docketnumber=2026-WSAB-WSAB>

Additional instructions on the docket (e-Filing) system are available at:

https://energysafety.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/energy-safety-e-filing-overview-information_august2023.pdf

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Contacting the Wildfire Safety Advisory Board

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