



## NOTICE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REGULAR BI-MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 5:00 PM

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### AGENDA

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#### LOCATIONS:

##### **Open Session to start at or after 5:00 p.m.**

Marin Water Board Room – 220 Nellen Avenue, Corte Madera, CA 94925

Director Jed Smith – 227 Summit Ave., Apt. e405, Brookline, MA 02446

##### **Closed Session to immediately follow Open Session**

Marin Water Mt. Tam Conference Room, 220 Nellen Avenue, Corte Madera, CA 94925

#### **Public Participation:**

The public may attend this meeting in-person or remotely using one of the following methods:

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#### **HOW TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**During the Meeting:** Typically, you will have 3 minutes to make your public comment, however, the board president may shorten the amount of time for public comment due to a large number of attendees. Furthermore, pursuant to Government Code, section 54954.2 (the Brown Act), the Board may not take action or discuss any item that does not appear on the agenda.

-- **In-Person Attendee:** Fill out a speaker card and provide to the board secretary. List the number/letter (ex: 6a) of the agenda item(s), for which you would like to provide a comment. Once you're called, proceed to the lectern to make your comment.

-- **Remote Attendee:** Use the "raise hand" button on the bottom of the Zoom screen. If you are joining by phone and would like to comment, press \*9. The board secretary will use the last four digits of your phone number to call on you (dial \*6 to mute/unmute).

**In Advance of the Meeting:** Submit your comments by email in advance of the meeting to [boardcomment@marinwater.org](mailto:boardcomment@marinwater.org). To ensure that your comment is provided to the Board of Directors prior to the meeting, please email your comment 24 hours in advance of the meeting start time. Comments received after this cut off time will be sent to the Board after the meeting. Please do not

include personal information in your comment such as phone numbers and home addresses.

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

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

**2. Adoption of Agenda**

**3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters**

This is the time when any person may address the Board of Directors on matters not listed on this agenda, but which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.

**4. Directors' and General Manager's Announcements (5:10 p.m. – Time Approximate)**

**5. Board Committee Reports**

Each Committee Chair or Vice Chair will provide a report on recent committee meetings. Directors may ask questions or provide brief comments or requests for additional information on an item.

**6. Consent Items (5:20 p.m. – Time Approximate)**

All Consent Items will be enacted by a single action of the Board, unless specific items are pulled from Consent by the Board during adoption of the agenda for separate discussion and action.

**a. January 6, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Accept the minutes of the Board of Directors' Regular Bi-Monthly Meeting on January 6, 2026

**b. General Manager's Report December 2025**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve Report

**c. Third Amendment to the At-Will Employment Agreement of Bennett Horenstein as the General Manager of the Marin Municipal Water District**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the Third Amendment to the At-Will Employment Agreement of Bennett Horenstein as the General Manager of the Marin Municipal Water District extending the term of the Agreement for approximately three (3) additional months

**7. Regular Items (5:25 p.m. – Time Approximate)**

**a. Early Detection Rapid Response Contract**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve a professional Services Agreement with PCI Ecological to conduct Early Detection Rapid Response work along 80 miles of fire roads over a two-year period in an amount not to exceed \$195,439 and authorize the General Manager to execute the agreement

**b. Approval of the One Tam 2026-2027 Work Plan**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Review and approve the One Tam 2026-2027 Work Plan

**c. 2026 Board of Directors Committee Assignments**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the appointment of the Marin Municipal Water District Directors to internal standing committees and to external regional committees as representatives of the District

## **8. Future Board and Committee Meetings and Upcoming Agenda Items**

This schedule lists upcoming board and committee meetings as well as upcoming agenda items for the next month, which may include Board interest in adding future meeting items. The schedule is tentative and subject to change pending final publication and posting of the meeting agendas.

### **a. Upcoming Meetings**

## **9. Announcement of Closed Session Item(s); Public Comments on Closed Session Item(s)**

Following announcement of Closed Session items and prior to recess into Closed Session, the public may speak up to three minutes on items to be addressed in Closed Session. The Board will convene to Closed Session in the Mt. Tam Conference Room after public comment.

### **a. Conference with Labor Negotiators**

*(California Government Code §54957.6)*

**Agency Designated Representatives:** Ben Horenstein, General Manager

**Employee Organizations:** Service Employees International Union, Local 1021; Unrepresented Employees

Adjourn closed session and reconvene to open session in the Board Room and via Zoom.

## **10. Reconvene to Open Session; Closed Session Report Out**

## **11. Adjournment (7:00 p.m. – Time Approximate)**

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