



AGENDA
SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

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Open to Public

January 13, 2026
9:00 a.m.

District Headquarters
Live Oak, FL

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Announcement of any Amendments to the Agenda by the Chair
Amendments Recommended by Staff: None
4. Public Comment
5. Consideration of the following Items Collectively by Consent:
 - Agenda Item No. 6 - December 9, 2025, Governing Board Meeting, Workshops, and Lands Committee Meeting Minutes
 - Agenda Item No. 8 - Authorization for General Counsel to Request Attorney General Opinion on Delegation of Authority for Executive Director to Execute Instruments of Sale, Lease, Release, or Conveyance
 - Agenda Item No. 14 - Agricultural Cost-Share Task Work Assignment with Michael Wilkerson, Gilchrist, and Levy Counties
 - Agenda Item No. 15 - Agricultural Cost-Share Contract and Task Work Assignment with Tillis Farms, LLC, Levy County
 - Agenda Item No. 16 - November 2025 Financial Report
 - Agenda Item No. 24 - Funding for Little River Springs Erosion Control Project, Suwannee County
 - Agenda Item No. 25 - Amendment to Contract 22/23-166, Waccasassa Water and Wastewater Cooperative
 - Agenda Item No. 29 - Declaration of Surplus for the Riverbend Estates Tract, Dixie County

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6. December 9, 2025, Governing Board Meeting, Workshops, and Lands Committee Meeting Minutes - **Recommend Consent**
7. Items of General Interest for Information/Cooperating Agencies and Organizations
 - A. Cooperating Agencies and Organizations
 - B. Service Recognitions - Mary Diaz (10 years), David King (5 years)

GOVERNING BOARD LEGAL COUNSEL
Tom Reeves

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8. Authorization for General Counsel to Request Attorney General Opinion on Delegation of Authority for Executive Director to Execute Instruments of Sale, Lease, Release, or Conveyance – **Recommend Consent**

9. Update on Legal Activities

WATER RESOURCES

Amy Brown, Deputy Executive Director

10. Water Resources Division Updates

11. Hydrologic Conditions Report

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12. Water Shortage Advisory Order Number 26-001

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Tim Alexander, Assistant Executive Director

Administration

13. Facilities Update

Agriculture Projects

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14. Agricultural Cost-Share Task Work Assignment with Michael Wilkerson, Gilchrist, and Levy Counties – **Recommend Consent**

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15. Agricultural Cost-Share Contract and Task Work Assignment with Tillis Farms, LLC, Levy County- **Recommend Consent**

Finance

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16. November 2025 Financial Report – **Recommend Consent**

Resource Management

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17. Permitting Summary Report

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18. Chapter 40B-3, Florida Administrative Code, Rulemaking

Environmental Projects

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19. Agriculture and Environmental Projects Monthly Report

20. FEMA Flood Risk Review Update

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21. GBD26-0001, Regional Initiative Valuing Environmental Resources Cost-Share Program Directive Amendment

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22. Agreements with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Local Cooperative Entities to Receive Alternative Water Supply Grant Funds

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23. Agreements with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Local Cooperative Entities to Receive Springs Grant Funds

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24. Funding for Little River Springs Erosion Control Project, Suwannee County – **Recommend Consent**

BCS Page 42 25. Amendment to Contract 22/23-166, Waccasassa Water and Wastewater Cooperative – **Recommend Consent**

OUTREACH AND OPERATIONS
Katelyn Potter, Division Director

Communications and Outreach

OPS Page 1 26. Outreach and Communications Activity Summary

OPS Page 3 27. 2026-2030 Strategic Plan

Land Acquisition

OPS Page 4 28. Land Acquisition and Disposition Activity Report

OPS Page 7 29. Declaration of Surplus for the Riverbend Estates Tract, Dixie County – **Recommend Consent**

Land Management

OPS Page 16 30. Land Management Update Report

OPS Page 18 31. Offer Additional Tracts of Land to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for Inclusion within the Wildlife Management Area Program

EXECUTIVE OFFICE
Hugh Thomas, Executive Director

32. Announcements

33. Governing Board Comments

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are at District Headquarters in Live Oak, Florida

February 10, 2026 9:00 a.m. Board Meeting
Workshop / Committee Meetings

Workshops and Committee Meetings will begin following the Board Meeting unless otherwise noted.

34. Adjournment

Any member of the public who desires to address the Board at a Board Meeting, must appear in person at the Board Meeting and sign up (including the completion of the required speaker forms showing any agenda item(s) on which the speaker wishes to comment) with District staff before the time designated for Public Comment on the agenda. During Public Comment, the chair shall recognize those persons signed up to speak on agenda items first. To the extent time permits, the chair may thereafter recognize those persons signed up to speak on non-agenda items. Provided that if, after the regular time for Public Comment, the agenda is amended to add an item for consideration, the chair shall allow public comment on the added agenda item prior to the Board taking action thereon. Unless, leave is given by the chair, (1) all speakers will be limited to a maximum of three minutes per topic, (2) any identifiable group of three persons or more shall be required to choose a representative, who shall

be limited to a maximum of five minutes per topic. Speakers will have an option to waive in support or opposition of a position, in lieu of speaking.

When recognized by the chair during Public Comment, a speaker may request to be allowed to make his or her comments at the time the Board considers an agenda item. The chair may grant or deny such request in the Chair's sole discretion.

The Board may act upon (including reconsideration) any agenda item at any time during a Board Meeting. The agenda may be changed only for good cause as determined by the Chair and stated in the record.

The chair may order the removal, from the Board Meeting, of any person interfering with the expeditious or orderly process of such Board Meeting, provided the chair has first issued a warning that continued interference with the orderly processes of the Board Meeting will result in removal. Additionally, the public is cautioned that such conduct may constitute a violation of criminal law under sections 871.01 and/or 877.03, Florida Statutes.

All decisions of the Chair concerning parliamentary procedures, decorum, and rules of order will be final, unless they are overcome by a majority of the members of the Board in attendance. Speakers are prohibited from using props, slides, or posters.

Any speaker who wishes to provide supporting materials for the members of the Board at a Board Meeting, must provide such materials in the form of a standard-sized paper handout. If the speaker brings handouts, the speaker must have 11 copies ready and give them to the District team when the speaker signs up to speak.

Persons who wish to make a written statement must deliver the statement to District Headquarters or email the written statement to writtencomments@srwmd.org. The written statement must include the submitter's name. In addition, the submitter must indicate which specific agenda item their statement addresses, or if the statement is for general comment. The written statement must be delivered or emailed at least two business days prior to the day of the Board Meeting. Written statements will be provided to the members of the Board prior to the applicable Board Meeting.

The District will attempt to "live stream" the video and audio of Board Meetings. The District will also attempt to record the video and audio of the Board Meetings. However, the public is cautioned that such "live stream" and recordings are not guaranteed and that any interruption or loss of the "live stream" or failure of the recording will not affect the validity of any action by the Board or result in any Board action being reconsidered. Members of the public who wish to ensure that they may view and/or participate in a Board Meeting should arrange to attend such Board Meeting in person.

Individuals lobbying the District must be registered as lobbyists (Section 112.3261, Florida Statutes).

Definitions:

- "Lobbies" is defined as seeking to influence a district policy or procurement decision or an attempt to obtain the goodwill of a district official or employee. (112.3261(1)(b), Florida Statutes [F.S.]
- "Lobbyist" is a person who is employed and receives payment, or who contracts for economic consideration, for the purpose of lobbying, or a person who is principally employed for governmental affairs by another person or governmental entity to lobby on behalf of that other person or governmental entity. (112.3215(1)(h), F.S.)