



AGENDA

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF MONO STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Regular Meetings: First, Second, and Third Tuesday of each month. Location of meeting is specified below.
Meeting Location: County Courthouse - Board Chambers, 278 Main Street, Bridgeport, CA 93517

**Regular Meeting
January 6, 2026 at 9:00 AM**

TRIBAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

In respect to the Indigenous People and Tribal Elders, past, and present, the Bridgeport Indian Colony, Mono Lake Kootzaduka'a Tribe, and Utu Utu Gwaitu Tribe are the Indigenous People who live within this, their ancestral homeland from time immemorial to the present and have been the caretakers of these lands, waters, and all natural resources for the benefit of the environment and of all living things. We who live in Mono County offer this land acknowledgment with a spirit of mutual respect and collaboration.

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1. Mammoth Teleconference Location – for meetings held on the first and second Tuesday of each month — Mono Lake Room of the Mono County Civic Center, First Floor, 1290 Tavern Road, Mammoth Lakes, CA. 93546;
2. Bridgeport Teleconference Location – for meetings held on the third Tuesday of each month — Mono County Courthouse, Second Floor Board Chambers, 278 Main Street, Bridgeport, CA. 93517;
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UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED BY TIME, ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR EITHER THE MORNING OR AFTERNOON SESSIONS WILL BE HEARD ACCORDING TO AVAILABLE TIME AND PRESENCE OF INTERESTED PERSONS. PUBLIC MAY COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS AT THE TIME THE ITEM IS HEARD.

9:00 AM Call Meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Opportunity for the public to address the Board on items of public interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. (Speakers may be limited in speaking time dependent upon the press of business and number of persons wishing to address the Board.) Please refer to the Teleconference Information section to determine how to make public comment for this meeting via Zoom.

2. RECOGNITIONS

A. Election of New 2026 Board Chair, Vice Chair, and Chair Pro-Tem

Departments: Board of Supervisors

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Chair Salcido, Outgoing Board Chair

15 minutes

Call for nominations for the 2026 Board Chair, 2026 Vice Chair, and 2026 Chair Pro-Tem.

Recommended Action: Elect a Board Chair, Vice Chair, and Chair Pro-Tem for 2026.

Fiscal Impact: None.

B. Presentation to Outgoing Board Chair Lynda Salcido

Departments: Board of Supervisors

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Incoming Board Chair

10 minutes

Presentation to outgoing Board Chair Lynda Salcido by incoming Board Chair honoring Supervisor Salcidos' service to the Board in 2025.

Recommended Action: None, informational only.

Fiscal Impact: None.

- C. **Recognition of Richard "Dick" Burbine for His 100th Birthday and Extraordinary Career**
Departments: Board of Supervisors
Persons Appearing Before the Board: Supervisor Peters
20 minutes

Proposed proclamation recognizing Richard "Dick" Burbine for his 100th birthday and extraordinary career.

Recommended Action: Adopt proposed proclamation recognizing Richard "Dick" Burbine for his 100th birthday and extraordinary career.

Fiscal Impact: None.

3. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

CAO Report regarding Board Assignments
Receive brief oral report by County Administrative Officer (CAO) regarding work activities.

4. **DEPARTMENT/COMMISSION REPORTS**

Receive brief oral report on emerging issues and/or activities.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

(All matters on the consent agenda are to be approved on one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item.)

A. **Appointments to the Antelope Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee**

Departments: Community Development
Persons Appearing Before the Board:

Supervisor Peters requests Board consideration of one membership appointment to the Antelope Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee.

Recommended Action: Appoint one member (Richard Malekos) of the Antelope Valley Regional Planning Advisory Committee (AVRPAC) to a partial term expiring on December 31, 2026.

Fiscal Impact: None.

B. **Re-appointments to the Bridgeport Regional Planning Advisory Committee**

Departments: Community Development
Persons Appearing Before the Board:

Supervisor Peters requests Board consideration of two membership re-appointments to the Bridgeport Regional Planning Advisory Committee. Supervisor Peters recommends the re-appointments of Jeff Hunewill and Steve Noble to fill two four-year terms with expiration dates of December 31, 2029

Recommended Action: Reappoint two members (Jeff Hunewill and Steve Noble) of the Bridgeport Regional Planning Advisory Committee (Bridgeport RPAC) to four-year terms expiring on December 31, 2029.

Fiscal Impact: None.

C. Establish an Invasive Golden Mussel Ad Hoc Committee

Departments: County Counsel

Persons Appearing Before the Board:

There is a need to establish an Invasive Golden Mussel Ad Hoc Committee to address regional efforts to combat invasive golden mussel.

Recommended Action: Establish an Invasive Golden Mussel Ad Hoc Committee and appoint Supervisors McFarland and Peters to the Committee.

Fiscal Impact: None.

D. Resolution Authorizing a Change in Authorized Signers with Mono County Accounts held at Oak Valley Community Bank (OVCB)

Departments: County Administrative Office

Persons Appearing Before the Board:

Resolution authorizing a change in authorized signers with Mono County Accounts held at Oak Valley Community Bank (OVCB), doing business as Eastern Sierra Community Bank.

Recommended Action: Adopt proposed resolution authorizing a change in authorized signers with Mono County Accounts held at Oak Valley Community Bank (OVCB), doing business as Eastern Sierra Community Bank.

Fiscal Impact: None.

E. Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding for Agricultural Commissioner

Departments: County Administrative Office

Persons Appearing Before the Board:

Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding for the Agricultural Commissioner.

Recommended Action: Approve amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding for Agricultural Commissioner and authorize Chair to sign agreement on behalf of the County.

Fiscal Impact: This request is for approval of the amendment to the insurance requirements for the Memorandum of Understanding for the Agricultural Commissioner. Insurance requirements are needing to be lowered to meet standards for both Inyo and Mono County. There is no fiscal impact if approved.

F. Authorization of the Mono County District Attorney to Administer the Victim/Witness Assistance Program

Departments: District Attorney

Persons Appearing Before the Board:

Resolution approving and authorizing the Mono County District Attorney to participate in and administer the Victim/Witness Assistance Program which is part of the District Attorney's Victim/Witness Program.

Recommended Action: Adopt proposed resolution approving the acceptance of the Victim/Witness Assistance Program grant funds annually and authorize the Mono County District Attorney to sign and administer the grant program.

Fiscal Impact: Revenue in the amount of \$263,789 to the District Attorney's Victim/Witness Program budget for 2025/26 fiscal year.

G. Housing Mitigation Ordinance Fee Refund Request

Departments: Community Development

Persons Appearing Before the Board:

A request to refund a \$5,350.86 Housing Mitigation Fee payment.

Recommended Action: Grant a \$5,350.86 refund of the Housing Mitigation Ordinance fee and direct staff to process it. Provide any other desired direction.

Fiscal Impact: The request would reduce the Housing Mitigation Fund by \$5,350.86.

H. Contract for A-1 Fire for Fire Protection Services

Departments: Public Works

Persons Appearing Before the Board:

Proposed contract with A-1 Fire (Summit Fire) pertaining to fire protection services for County facilities.

Recommended Action: Approve and authorize the Public Works Director to sign the contract with A-1 Fire for fire protection services for the period of January 01, 2026 through December 31, 2028 and a not to exceed amount of \$69,500.00 in any 12 month period and \$208,500.00 for the total duration.

Fiscal Impact: Total cost of the contract for the period of January 01, 2026, through December 31, 2028, and a not to exceed amount of \$69,500.00 in any 12-month period and \$208,500.00 for the total duration. This is a contract needed to maintain fire protection services at County facilities and fleet equipment. This is a recurring need that is budgeted annually for service contracts.

I. Authorization for Public Works Director to Sign Purchase Order for One New Service Truck

Departments: Public Works

Persons Appearing Before the Board:

Approve and authorize the Public Works Director to sign all documents and purchase orders pertaining to the purchase of one new service truck.

Recommended Action: Approve and authorize Public Works Director to sign all documents and purchase orders.

Fiscal Impact: Approved purchase and Appropriation Transfer Request (ATR) transfer for one service repair truck not to exceed \$200,000.

J. FY 2026-2027 California Department of Boating and Waterways Grant Program

Departments: Sheriff

Persons Appearing Before the Board:

The California Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Boating and Waterways, has requested a governing body resolution for participation in the Boating Safety and Enforcement Financial Aid Program Agreement. The resolution should specifically identify the following personnel as administrators to administer and sign documents related to the Boating Safety and Enforcement Financial Aid Program Agreement.

The Department shall not allocate funds to any county or a public agency within the county unless the Department receives a resolution adopted annually by the Board of Supervisors authorized the county to participate in the program and certified that the county will expend for boating safety programs during that year not less than an amount equal to 100 percent of the amount received by the county from personal property taxes on vessels. The money allocated to the county shall be used only for boating safety and enforcement programs that are conducted in that county. The County Auditor shall be authorized to certify the amount of prior year vessel taxes received by the county.

Recommended Action: Adopt the proposed resolution, authorizing the Mono County Sheriff-Coroner, Mono County Sheriff's Boating Safety and Enforcement Coordinator, and/or the Mono County Sheriff's Office Finance Officer to apply for and administer the Boating Safety and Enforcement Financial Aid Program for Fiscal Year 2026-27.

Fiscal Impact: This resolution will assist with meeting the grant guidance for participation in the Boating Safety and Enforcement Financial Aid Program Agreement for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. When the grant is awarded, the award will not exceed \$138,891.84. There is no match requirement for this grant.

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Direction may be given to staff regarding, and/or the Board may discuss, any item of correspondence listed on the agenda.

A. Support Letter - AB 736 (Wicks) Affordable Housing Bond of 2026

Letter of Support to Chair Wicks regarding AB 736 (Wicks) Affordable Housing Bond of 2026

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Update on Southern California Edison (SCE) Power Outages

Departments: County Administrative Office

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Sandra Moberly, County Administrative Officer
20 minutes

Update from County staff and partners on Southern California Edison (SCE) power outages.

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None.

B. Emergency Management Update

Departments: Emergency Management

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Christine Bouchard, Assistant Administrative Officer
15 minutes

Regular update regarding Emergency Management projects.

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None.

C. 2024-25 First 5 Mono Annual Evaluation Report

Departments: Board of Supervisors

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Molly DesBaillets, First 5 Mono Executive Director
30 minutes

Receive the 2024-25 First 5 Mono Annual Evaluation Report.

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None.

D. Mono County Jail Update

Departments: Public Works

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Paul Roten, Public Works Director
10 minutes

Regular update regarding Mono County Jail.

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None.

E. Community Wildfire Defense Grants (CWDG) Update

Departments: Emergency Management

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Mono County Wildfire Mitigation Coordinator Wendilyn Grasseschi, Eastern Sierra Council of Governments Wildfire Coordinator Kristen Pfeiler, ESCOG Executive Director Elaine Kabala.

30 minutes

The Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG) was successful in securing a \$4.6 million Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) from the USDA Forest Service in late 2025. The grant funds the Eastern Sierra Communities Wildfire Defense Program, which is built around priorities articulated in Mono and Inyo County Community Wildfire Prevention Plans. The Program includes a strong emphasis on hazardous fuels/green waste removal from within Eastern Sierra communities. A significant portion of the Program directly benefits Mono and Inyo County Public Works through a subaward to do this work. For more information on this grant program and funded proposals, visit:<https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/fire/grants/cwdg/funded-proposals>.

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact on Mono County at this time. Future fiscal impacts will occur only after ESCOG executes a subaward with Mono and Inyo County Public Works. That agreement will return to the Board for approval and will outline reimbursement for all eligible chipping, hauling, and biomass-processing services provided by the County.

F. California Radio Interoperable System (CRIS) Radio Update

Departments: Information Technology

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Kirk Hartstrom, CRIS Project Manager

15 minutes

Regular update regarding California Radio Interoperable System (CRIS).

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None.

G. Assessment Appeals Board Update

Departments: Clerk-Recorder-Registrar-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Queenie Barnard, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

15 minutes

Update regarding the Assessment Appeals Board.

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None.

H. Agreement Regarding Terms and Conditions of Employment for Assistant District Attorney

Departments: District Attorney

Persons Appearing Before the Board: David Anderson, District Attorney

10 minutes

Proposed resolution approving the terms and conditions of employment of Janae Knallay as Assistant District Attorney, and prescribing the compensation, appointment, and conditions of said employment.

Recommended Action: Announce Fiscal Impact. Adopt proposed resolution approving agreement regarding the terms and conditions of employment for Janae Knallay as Assistant District Attorney, and prescribing the compensation, appointment and conditions of said employment. Authorize the Board Chair to execute said resolution and agreement on behalf of the County.

Fiscal Impact: The estimated cost of this position for the remainder of the fiscal year is \$111,606, of which \$87,123 is salary and \$24,483 is benefits. The total cost of salary and benefits for an entire fiscal year is \$267,854, of which \$186,784 is salary and \$81,070 is benefits. This is included in the District Attorney 25/26 adopted budget.

I. Memorandum of Understanding with the Mono County Correctional Deputy Sheriff Association

Departments: Human Resources

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Steve Rose, Human Resources Director

5 minutes

Adopt proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the Mono County Correctional Deputy Sheriff Association

Recommended Action: Adopt proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the Mono County Correctional Deputy Sheriff Association

Fiscal Impact: The fiscal impact for the remainder of the FY 2025-26 budget is \$154,929 in salaries with \$52,005.82 in benefits totaling \$206,934.82. There will be an increase seen in the FY 2026-27 budget of \$77,412 in salaries and \$69,579 in benefits totaling \$146,991.

J. Mono County Military Appreciation Program and Annual Military Appreciation Week

Departments: Human Resources

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Steve Rose, Human Resources Director

10 minutes

The Military Appreciation Program is designed as an ongoing, voluntary initiative that encourages local businesses to provide discounts or special offers to eligible military-connected individuals. The program also includes an annual Military Appreciation Week, serving as a focal point for community recognition, outreach, and participation.

Recommended Action: Approve Military Appreciation Program.

Fiscal Impact: Printing, mailing the business packages, and administrating the website costs only.

K. Retiree Dental and Vision Continuation Program (Self-Paid)

Departments: Human Resources

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Steve Rose, Human Resources Director

5 minutes

Human Resources recommends implementing a Retiree Dental and Vision Continuation Program allowing retirees to remain on the County's dental and vision plans, provided they pay 100% of premiums and any associated administrative costs. This program: Expands retiree benefit flexibility, maintains continuity of care, requires no County contribution, and requires no additional staff resources to administer.

Recommended Action: Approve Retiree Dental and Vision Continuation Program (Self-Paid).

Fiscal Impact: None.

L. Mono County Veteran Preference Points Hiring Policy and Guaranteed Interview Programs for Veterans and Active-Duty Military Spouses

Departments: Human Resources

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Steve Rose, Human Resources Director

5 minutes

Mono County is committed to honoring and supporting those who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, as well as the spouses of active-duty service members. To strengthen access to meaningful employment and reduce long-recognized barriers, Human Resources recommends adoption of a Veteran Preference Points Hiring Policy, a Veteran Guaranteed Interview Program, and an Active-Duty Military Spouse Guaranteed Interview Program.

Recommended Action: (1) Adopt and implement the Veteran Preference Points Hiring Policy, including 5-point and 10-point categories; and (2) Establish the Veteran Guaranteed Interview Program requiring submission of qualifying documentation; and (3) Implement the Active-Duty Spouse Guaranteed Interview Program requiring dependent ID and PCS orders; and (4) Update County application materials and recruitment workflows to reflect these policies; and (5) Provide training to hiring managers regarding scoring, documentation, and guaranteed interview procedures.

Fiscal Impact: None, minor administrative adjustments will be absorbed within existing Human Resources operations.

8. CLOSED SESSION

A. Closed Session - Labor Negotiations

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS. Government Code Section 54957.6. Agency designated representative(s): Sandra Moberly, Oliver Yee, Christopher Beck, Leslie Chapman, Christine Bouchard, and Steve Rose. Employee Organization(s): Mono County Sheriff's Officers Association (aka Deputy Sheriff's Association), Local 39 - majority representative of Mono County Public Employees (MCPE) and Deputy Probation Officers Unit (DPOU), Mono County Paramedic Rescue Association (PARA), Mono County Correctional Deputy Sheriffs' Association. Unrepresented employees: All.

B. Closed Session - Initiation of Litigation

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: One.

- C. Closed Session - Exposure to Litigation**
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION.
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: One.

9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Reports from Board Members regarding their activities in connection with any assigned Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

A. Board Member and Board Ad Hoc Reports

- Board Chambers Ad Hoc Committee (Supervisor Peters, Supervisor Salcido)
- Budget Ad Hoc Committee (Supervisor Duggan, Supervisor McFarland)
- Emergency Medical Services Ad Hoc Committee (Supervisor Duggan, Supervisor Salcido)
- Housing Ad Hoc Committee (Supervisor Kreitz, Supervisor McFarland)

10. ADJOURN