



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
March 3, 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.

TELECONFERENCE INFORMATION

This meeting will be held in person at the location listed above. Additionally, a teleconference location will be available where the public and members of the Board may participate by electronic means.

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;
3. Zoom Webinar. Absent participation by a member of the Board under SB 707, the Zoom Webinar is provided as a courtesy participation method but is not guaranteed.

Members of the public may participate in person at the above listed locations, or, if available, via the Zoom Webinar, including listening to the meeting and providing public comment, by following the instructions below.

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Visit <https://monocounty.zoom.us/j/87204550938> or visit <https://www.zoom.us/>, click on "Join A Meeting" and enter the Zoom Webinar ID 872 0455 0938.

To provide public comment, press the "Raise Hand" button on your screen.

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this meeting (See 42 USCS 12132, 28CFR 35.130).

Full agenda packets are available for the public to review in the Office of the Clerk of the Board (Annex I - 74 North School Street, Bridgeport, CA 93517) and online at <http://monocounty.ca.gov/bos>. Any writing distributed less than 72 hours prior to the meeting will be available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Board and online.

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. Proclamation Designating the Month of March 2026 as Red Cross Month

Departments: Health And Human Services

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Cathy Young, Health and Human Services, Staff Services Analyst

10 minutes

Proposed proclamation designating the month of March 2026 as Red Cross Month.

Recommended Action: Adopt proposed proclamation designating the month of March 2026 as Red Cross Month.

Fiscal Impact: None.

B. Proclamation Designating the Month of March 2026 as Women’s History Month

Departments: Board of Supervisors

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Chair Kreitz

10 minutes

Proposed proclamation designating the month of March 2026 as Women’s History Month.

Recommended Action: Adopt proposed proclamation designating the month of March 2026 as Women’s History Month.

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. **Resolution Enabling Temporary Staffing for Health and Human Services Department**
Departments: Health And Human Services

The Health and Human Services (HHS) Department seeks approval for a resolution enabling HHS to hire temporary staffing under an emergency need for assistance due to the anticipated increase in workload and staffing challenges associated with the implementation of House Resolution 1 (H.R. 1) for the period of April 1, 2026 through June 30, 2026.

Recommended Action: Adopt the proposed resolution enabling the hiring of temporary staffing to address workload and staffing challenges in the HHS department and authorize the County Administrative Officer to enter into a contract with a temporary staffing agency for a period not to exceed 90 days to assist HHS.

Fiscal Impact: Contract amount is budgeted in the 2025/2026 budget. Funding comes primarily from the federal Medi-Cal allocation.

B. **Inmate Welfare Fund Annual Report Fiscal Year 2024-2025**

Departments: Sheriff

California Penal Code Section 4025(e) states: The money and property deposited in the Inmate Welfare Fund shall be expended by the Sheriff primarily for the benefit, education, and welfare of the inmates confined within the jail. An itemized report of these expenditures shall be submitted annually to the Board of Supervisors.

Recommended Action: Receive the Inmate Welfare Fund Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Fiscal Impact: None.

C. **Consolidation of Elections - Mammoth Unified School District**

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

Consolidation of Special Tax Election of the Mammoth Unified School District with the Statewide Primary Election on June 2, 2026 and direction to the Mono County Elections Division to conduct the election and canvass the returns.

Recommended Action: Consider and potentially adopt proposed Resolution, Consolidating the Special Tax Election called by the Mammoth Unified School District for the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the District a measure entitled "The Special Tax Measure for Mammoth Unified School District".

Fiscal Impact: Additional costs associated with adding an extra contest to the ballot. These costs will not be known until after the election. In accordance with Elections Code Section 10002, the Board of Education of the Mammoth Unified School District shall reimburse the County for these additional costs.

D. Letter of Support for FY 27 Federal Appropriations

Departments: County Administrative Office

Consider approval of a letter of support for FY 27 Federal Appropriations

Recommended Action: Approve letter of support for FY 27 Federal Appropriations

Fiscal Impact: None.

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. Correspondence Received - California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Letter in Response to Mono County's Concerns Regarding Southern California Edison's (SCE) Power Outage in December 2025

California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Safety and Enforcement Division's (SED) follow-up letter in response to Mono County's letter sent on January 26, 2026, regarding concerns about the Southern California Edison's (SCE) power outage in December 2025.

B. Correspondence Sent - Letter of Support for Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) Funding Application

Executed letter of support to the California Public Utilities Commission, Communications Division supporting the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments / Inyo-Mono Broadband Consortium application for California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) Rural and Urban Regional Broadband Consortia Account funding to continue regional broadband expansion efforts in the Eastern Sierra.

7. REGULAR AGENDA - MORNING

A. Presentation from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on Its Role in Utility Regulation

Departments: County Administrative Office

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Heather Iwamuro, Local Government and Community Liaison

30 Minutes

Presentation from the California Public Utilities Commission providing an overview of the Commission's regulatory responsibilities, including oversight of investor-owned electric, gas, water, communications, rail, and passenger transportation utilities. The presentation will outline the CPUC's rate-setting and enforcement processes, highlight key 2026 proceedings and initiatives affecting Mono County, and provide information on consumer assistance programs and opportunities for local engagement.

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

Fiscal Impact: None.

B. Cerro Coso Recreation Internship Program

Departments: Public Works - MCSOAR Division

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Josh Pighetti and/or Peter Fulks, Cerro Coso Community College; Eric-Rios Bretado, Mono County Recreation

15 minutes

A presentation by Cerro Coso Community College staff informing the Board of partnership opportunities to develop local workforce in the Outdoor Recreation & Wildfire Prevention industries through Cerro Coso's Internship program, of which Mono County Sustainable Outdoors & Recreation is currently piloting.

Recommended Action: None, informational only. Staff welcomes Board feedback regarding participation in this internship partner opportunity.

Fiscal Impact: Fiscal Impact of <\$3,000 from Outdoor Recreation budget, funded by grant funds and staff savings from 2025 season, to fund and pilot a temporary internship with the Sustainable Outdoors & Recreation division. There is no impact on the division's FY25-26 budget (and no ATR is needed) as money was already budgeted for staff that has not been fully expended. The Cerro Coso Outdoor Recreation Internship program will add to local workforce (mostly with housing already secured), which is currently very scarce, especially for skilled labor, within the Outdoor Recreation industry. This internship program will provide assistance to the Recreation division (and possibly partner agencies) with a variety of tasks, both administrative and field-going, with this particular position supporting two current grants held by Mono County.

C. Mono County Sustainable Outdoors & Recreation 2025 Season Update

Departments: Public Works - MCSOAR Division

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Marcella Rose, Outdoor Recreation Superintendent

15 minutes

An update for the Board of the work accomplished by the Sustainable Outdoors & Recreation division in the 2025 season.

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

Fiscal Impact: None.

D. Golden Mussels Workshop

Departments: Public Works - MCSOAR Division

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Marcella Rose, Outdoor Recreation Superintendent; Emily Fox, Assistant County Counsel

30 minutes

A workshop hosted by Sustainable Outdoors & Recreation to brief the BOS on the Golden Mussels mitigation efforts, including presentation of a draft ordinance mandating watercraft inspection, and recommendations from the Golden Mussels Ad-Hoc Committee of how the County should be involved in the regional effort.

Recommended Action: Direct staff to prepare a budget for a proposed County contribution of a total of \$15,000 to support the Eastern Sierra Golden Mussels Inspection Program (cost split between Geothermal and Fish & Game Fine Funds). Direct the County Administrative Officer to execute letters of support for any partner agency seeking funding to support the proposed program.

Fiscal Impact: A contribution of \$15,000, which will incur a cost of \$7,500 from the Geothermal fund in FY25-26 and (pending award) a cost of \$7,500 from the County's Fish & Game Fine Fund for FY25-26.

E. Proposed Ordinance Establishing a Water Vessel Inspection Program to Combat the Invasive Golden Mussel

Departments: Public Works - MCSOAR Division

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Emily Fox, Assistant County Counsel; Marcella Rose, Outdoor Recreation Superintendent

30 minutes

A proposed ordinance creating a County-run water vessel inspection program to prevent the introduction of the invasive Golden Mussel.

Recommended Action: Introduce, read title, and waive further reading of the proposed ordinance. Provide any desired direction to staff.

Fiscal Impact: None. The scope of the financial commitment to operating a program will be determined based on Board Direction and input from partner agencies.

F. Resolution Adopting Fines for Parking Violations

Departments: Sheriff

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Sheriff Ingrid Braun

10 minutes

A Resolution adopting a new fee schedule for parking violations, adding code sections not previously included, to align fees with the Town of Mammoth Lakes.

Recommended Action: Adopt proposed Resolution adopting a new fee schedule for parking violations.

Fiscal Impact: An increase in fees could increase revenue to the General Fund, offsetting the cost of the program. There is no estimate of the revenue increase.

G. Request to Backfill Payroll Position

Departments: Finance

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Stephanie Trujillo, Finance Director

10 minutes

The current Accountant II - Payroll has provided notice of separation, creating an anticipated vacancy within a critical operational function. Timely recruitment to backfill this position is necessary to maintain continuity of payroll services and internal controls.

Recommended Action: Approve the backfill of the Accountant II - Payroll position within the Finance Department due to a pending vacancy.

Fiscal Impact: The impact for the remainder of the fiscal year is \$23,054 in Salary with \$10,082 in benefits, totaling \$33,136. The Finance Department has vacancy savings that will cover this additional cost.

H. Letter of Support for Eastern Sierra Land Trust's Application for Wildlife Conservation Board Funding for the Swauger Creek Conservation Easement Project

Departments: Community Development

Persons Appearing Before the Board: Kelly Karl, Planning Analyst

10 minutes

Eastern Sierra Land Trust is seeking a letter of support from the Mono County Board of Supervisors for their Wildlife Conservation Board funding application to acquire a conservation easement on six parcels (a total of 240-acres owned by six different landowners) in northern Mono County near Swauger Creek.

Recommended Action: Approve, with any desired modifications, and authorize the Chair to sign the attached letter of support for Eastern Sierra Land Trust's Application for Wildlife Conservation Board Funding for the Swauger Creek Conservation Easement Project.

Fiscal Impact: None.

I. Consider Approval of Funding for Phase II Debris Removal of the Pack Fire

Departments: County Administrative Office

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

20 minutes

Approve Funding for Phase II Debris Removal of the Pack Fire

Recommended Action: Consider Approval of Funding for Phase II Debris Removal of the Pack Fire

Fiscal Impact: The total estimated cost to complete Phase II Debris Removal for the 30 affected parcels is \$3,266,190. Approximately \$500,000 in insurance proceeds is anticipated and would be assigned to the County to offset costs. The County has requested reimbursement under the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA), but no determination has been made. If approved at the typical 75% reimbursement rate, the County's estimated share would be approximately \$691,547 after insurance recovery. If CDAA is denied, the County would be responsible for the remaining balance of approximately \$2,766,190, to be funded from available reserves, subject to Board authorization.

8. CLOSED SESSION

- A. 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

A. Board Member and Board Ad Hoc Reports

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

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