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## Final Agenda GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

**FEBRUARY 24, 2026  
9:00 AM**

**2379 BROAD STREET, BROOKSVILLE, FL 34604  
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*All meetings are open to the public*

**MEETING NOTICE**

- › Viewing of the Board meeting will be available through the District's website at [WaterMatters.org](http://WaterMatters.org).
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- › Public input for issues not listed on the published agenda will be heard shortly after the meeting begins.

Pursuant to Section 373.079(7), Florida Statutes, all or part of this meeting may be conducted by means of communications media technology in order to permit maximum participation of Governing Board members.

The Governing Board may take official action at this meeting on any item appearing on this agenda and on any item that is added to this agenda as a result of a change to the agenda approved by the presiding officer of the meeting pursuant to Section 120.525, Florida Statutes.

The order of items appearing on the agenda is subject to change during the meeting and is at the discretion of the presiding officer.

Public Comment will be taken after each presentation and before any Governing Board action(s) except for Governing Board hearings that involve the issuance of final orders based on recommended Orders received from the Florida Division of Administrative Hearings.

Unless specifically stated, scheduled items will not be heard at a time certain.

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## **1. CONVENE PUBLIC MEETING**

- 1.1 Call to Order
- 1.2 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.3 Employee Recognition
- 1.4 Additions/Deletions to Agenda
- 1.5 Public Input for Issues Not Listed on the Published Agenda

## **2. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 2.1 **Finance/Outreach & Planning Committee:** Approval of the 2026 Consolidated Annual Report
- 2.2 **Resource Management Committee:** FARMS – Oak Ridge Fish Hatchery, Inc. – H842 (Hillsborough County)
- 2.3 **Operations, Lands & Resource Monitoring Committee:** Amendment to Easement to Tampa Electric Company – Little Manatee River Corridor – SWF Parcel No. 11-058-125XB (Hillsborough County)
- 2.4 **Operations, Lands & Resource Monitoring Committee:** Amendment to Utility Easement to Tampa Electric Company – Tampa Bypass Canal – SWF Parcel No. 13-001-752X (Hillsborough County)
- 2.5 **Operations, Lands & Resource Monitoring Committee:** Easement Agreement – ROMP 86 Replacement Well Site – SWF Parcel No. 13-020-160 (Pasco County)
- 2.6 **General Counsel's Report:** Approval of Consent Order between Southwest Florida Water Management District and New Florida Ventures Corp. – Water Use Permit and Well Construction Violations – Water Use Permit No.: 20001796.005 (DeSoto County)
- 2.7 **General Counsel's Report:** Interagency Agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and Southwest Florida Water Management District for Environmental Mitigation
- 2.8 **General Counsel's Report:** Authorization to Initiate Litigation – Edward Medard Reservoir Toe Drain Replacement Project (Hillsborough County)
- 2.9 **General Counsel's Report:** Approval of Well Construction Permitting Delegation Agreements between the Southwest Florida Water Management District and Manatee County, Department of Health (Sarasota County), and Department of Health (Marion County), and Initiation and Approval of Rulemaking to Incorporate the Agreements by Reference
- 2.10 **General Counsel's Report:** Approval of Rulemaking to Amend Rule 40D-2.321, Florida Administrative Code, to Promote the Use of Reclaimed Water and Encourage Quantifiable Potable Water Offsets, in Accordance with Section 373.250(9), Florida Statutes
- 2.11 **General Counsel's Report:** Partial Release of Conservation Easement – Environmental Resource Permit Application No. 925397 – Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc. Transmission Line at Pasco Town Center (Pasco County)
- 2.12 **General Counsel's Report:** Approval of Settlement Agreement – Southwest Florida Water Management District and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. – Gully Branch Upland Restoration Project (Hillsborough County)

2.13 **Executive Director's Report:** Approve Governing Board Minutes – January 27, 2026

### **3. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

3.1 **Discussion:** Consent Item(s) Moved to Discussion

3.2 **Discussion:** Information Item: Knowledge Management: Cooperative Funding Initiative Governing Board Policy

3.3 **Discussion:** Information Item: Fiscal Year 2027 Cooperative Funding Initiative Preliminary Project Evaluations

### **4. OPERATIONS, LANDS & RESOURCE MONITORING COMMITTEE**

4.1 **Discussion:** Consent Item(s) Moved to Discussion

4.2 **Discussion:** Information Item: Hydrologic Conditions Report

### **5. FINANCE/OUTREACH & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

5.1 **Discussion:** Consent Item(s) Moved to Discussion

5.2 **Submit & File:** Information Item: Budget Transfer Report

### **6. REGULATION COMMITTEE**

6.1 **Discussion:** Consent Item(s) Moved to Discussion

### **7. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

7.1 **Discussion:** Consent Item(s) Moved to Discussion

7.2 **Discussion:** Action Item: Affirm Governing Board Committee Actions

### **8. COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS**

8.1 **Discussion:** Information Item: Environmental Advisory Committee

### **9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

9.1 **Discussion:** Information Item: Executive Director's Report

### **10. CHAIR'S REPORT**

10.1 **Discussion:** Information Item: Chair's Report

10.2 **Discussion:** Information Item: Employee Milestones

### **ADJOURNMENT**