

**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

6425 Main Street
Georgetown, CA 95634

TELECONFERENCE LOCATION FOR DIRECTOR MACDONALD

444 Pier Avenue 406
Oceano, CA 93445

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2026
2:00 P.M.**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michael Saunders, President
Andy Fisher, Vice President Robert Stovall, Treasurer
Mitch MacDonald, Director Donna Seaman, Director

MISSION STATEMENT

It is the purpose of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District to:

- Provide reliable water supplies.
- Ensure high-quality drinking water.
- Promote stewardship to protect community resources, public health, and quality of life.
- Provide excellent and responsive customer services through dedicated and valued staff.
- Ensure fiscal responsibility and accountability are observed by balancing immediate and long-term needs.

NOTICE: This meeting will be held in person in the Board room of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District office, located at 6425 Main Street in Georgetown. This meeting will be open to all members of the public. As a courtesy, and technology permitting, the public may also choose to observe and participate via video conference. In the event of a disruption to Zoom for any reason, Zoom may be disabled, and remote participation may be suspended or eliminated without notice. Remote participants are encouraged to attend in person rather than via Zoom to ensure their opportunity to participate in the meeting. Zoom is a courtesy to the public, but the District cannot guarantee against any interruption or disruption of the meeting to Zoom participants.

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Meeting ID: **814 7665 5076** and Passcode: **982328** or via teleconference by calling **1-669-900-6833**, Please note that any person attending via teleconference will be sharing the phone number from which they call with the Board and the public.

How to Submit Written Public Comment

Written public comment submissions should be received by noon on the day of the meeting. All written comments received will be distributed to the Board, identified as written public comment for the applicable agenda item(s), and made available for inspection upon request, but will not be read aloud during the meeting. Unless otherwise exempt, please note that personal information provided in communications may be subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act.

- **By Email:** Send your comment to ea@gd-pud.org.
- **By Mail:** Address your comment to the Clerk of the Board, 6425 Main Street, Georgetown, CA 95634

Please state the meeting date and agenda item number(s) your public comment(s) apply to. For further information, please contact the Clerk of the Board at ea@gd-pud.org

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3. PUBLIC FORUM (Please review the criteria below before participating in the public forum.)

Pursuant to the Government Code Section 54954.3 (The Brown Act), members of the public shall be afforded the opportunity to speak on any agenda item. The Board President will call for public comment. Those wishing to address the Board on a matter that is not on the agenda, and within the jurisdictional authority of the District, may do so during the Public Forum. Follow the procedures for speaking:

- A. Public members desiring to provide comments must raise their hand and wait to be recognized by the Board President, speak from the podium, and begin by stating their name.
- B. If participating via teleconference, please utilize the raise your hand feature. The President will call upon you by addressing you by the name or phone number indicated.
- C. Comments must be directed only to the Board.
- D. Disruptive conduct shall not be permitted at any Board meeting. Persistence in disruptive conduct shall be grounds for summary termination of the privilege to address the Board of Directors.
- E. There is a three (3)-minute time limit per speaker and/or 15 minutes in total.
- F. The Board is not permitted to take action on items addressed under the Public Forum.
- G. The Board President is responsible for maintaining an orderly meeting.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Approval of Minutes

- December 12, 2025

B. Resignations from Irrigation Committee

C. Moving Executive Assistant Position to Exempt Status

5. OFFICE/FINANCE MANAGER'S REPORT

- Financial Reports
- Investment Reports – Q1
- Grant Report

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. Board Reports

- a. **SB 707 and SB 827 Update from Legal Counsel**

B. Operation Manager's Report

C. Water Resources Manager's Report

D. General Manager's Report

7. COMMITTEES

- A. **Irrigation Committee** – Kristy McKay, Chair – Next February 17, 2026
 - **Board Liaisons:** Directors Seaman and Fisher
- B. **Finance Committee** – William Gorenc, Chair – Next January 22, 2026
 - **Board Liaisons:** Directors Saunders and Stovall
- C. **Ad-Hoc Strategic Planning Committee** – Meetings held as necessary.
 - **Board Liaisons:** Directors Seaman and Stovall

8. ACTION ITEMS

- A. **Receive Legislative Update and Develop District Positions – Receive Update from Vectis**
 - **Possible Action-** Discuss and establish District positions on the presented legislation and developments.
- B. **Interview and Consider New Members for the Irrigation Committee**
 - **Possible Action-** Accept applications for new members. Approve Resolution 2026-XX for these changes.
- C. **Consider updates to the Travel Policies and Align them Between Staff and Employees, Policies 4025 and 4090.**
 - **Possible Action-** Consider changes to the travel policies and align staff and board requirements. Approve Resolution 2026-XX for these changes.
- D. **Discuss Updates to the GDPUD Strategic Plan**
 - **Possible Action-** Discuss and provide suggestions to the GDPUD Strategic Plan.
- E. **Consider the Addition of a Staff Appreciation Incentive and a Staff Longevity Award**
 - **Possible Action-** Consider approving the start of staff appreciation incentives and staff longevity awards.
- F. **Consider Submitting Letter for Intent to Participate in Water Transfer Program**
 - **Possible Action-** Authorize Staff to submit a letter of intent for the Water Transfer program.
- G. **Discuss the Date to Hold a 2026 Urban Water Management Plan Town Hall to Update the Public**
 - **Possible Action-** Authorize Staff to work with Pilot Hill Grange to set up a Town Hall to discuss the UWMP for 2026 on March XX, 2026.

9. CLOSED SESSION ITEM

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** (Government Code section 54956.9(d)(4)) Initiation of Litigation: 1 case
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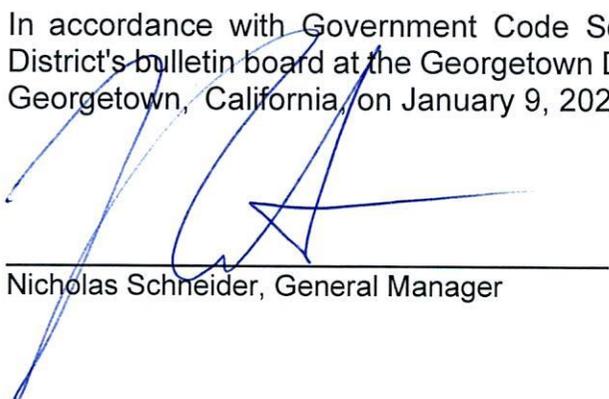
10. BOARD MEMBER REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONS TO FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

- A. Opportunity for Board members to discuss and provide input for future meetings.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT

- A. The next Regular Meeting will be February 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., at the District Office, 6425 Main Street, Georgetown, California 95634.

In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2(a), this agenda was posted on the District's bulletin board at the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District office, at 6425 Main Street, Georgetown, California, on January 9, 2025.



Nicholas Schneider, General Manager

1-9-25

Date

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Public documents related to an item on the open session portion of this agenda, which are distributed to the Board less than 72 hours prior to the meeting, shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District, 6425 Main Street, Georgetown, California 95634, and at the time of the meeting.

Unless otherwise noted below, Board actions include a determination they are not a "Project" under Section 15378 under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.