

# Notice of Public Meeting San Diego River Conservancy

A public meeting of the Governing Board of  
The San Diego River Conservancy  
will be held

**Wednesday, March 18, 2026  
1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

## Meeting Locations

San Diego County Administration Center 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 302 San Diego, CA 92101	Natural Resources Agency HQ 715 P Street 20-105 (Farallon Room) Sacramento, CA, 95814
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Teleconference Line  
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## Meeting Agenda

The Board may take agenda items out of order to accommodate speakers and to maintain a quorum, unless noted as time specific.

### **1. Roll Call**

### **2. Approval of Minutes (*ACTION*)**

Consider approval of minutes for the January 21, 2026, meeting.

### **3. Public Comment (*INFORMATIONAL*)**

Any person may address the Governing Board at this time regarding any matter within the Board's authority and jurisdiction. Presentations will be limited to three minutes for individuals and five minutes for representatives of organizations. Submission of information in writing is encouraged. The Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the agenda; no adverse conclusions should be drawn by the Board's not responding to such matters or public comments.

**4. Chairperson’s and Governing Board Members’ Report  
(INFORMATIONAL/ACTION)**

**5. Deputy Attorney General Report (INFORMATIONAL/ACTION)**

**6. Health and Safety Report (INFORMATIONAL)**

**7. Tavern Road Evacuation Route Hazardous Fuels Reduction  
(ACTION)**

The proposed project, submitted by Alpine/Viejas Fire Safe Council, focuses on increasing wildfire safety along Tavern Road, a crucial evacuation route connected to key local infrastructure, including a fire station. The primary goal is to reduce wildfire risk by removing hazardous vegetation along the evacuation route and to increase community defensible space in Alpine. Conservancy staff recommends funding in the amount of \$85,000 from Proposition 4.

**Presentation:**

Jason McBroom, Program Facilitator, Alpine/Viejas Fire Safe Council

Steven Taylor, Executive Director, Alpine/Viejas Fire Safe Council

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 26-05

**8. Reducing Fire Fuel on the San Diego River (ACTION)**

The Lakeside’s River Park Conservancy project proposes to conduct fuel reduction on approximately 145 acres in the riparian areas of the San Diego River and its tributaries, including Los Coches Creek. These efforts will help reduce the risk of fires, protect lives and property, safeguard public lands, and benefit local wildlife and their native habitats. Conservancy staff recommends funding in the amount of \$650,000 from Proposition 4.

**Presentation:**

Julie Turko, Executive Director, Lakeside’s River Park Conservancy

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 26-06

**9. Proposition 4 Guidelines and Other Updates (ACTION)**

Proposition 4 was passed by voters on November 5, 2024. It made \$48,000,000 available to the San Diego River Conservancy to reduce the risks of climate change impacts on communities, fish and wildlife, and natural resources, and increase public access subject to appropriation by the Legislature. The Legislature appropriated \$8 million of the funds to the Conservancy in budget years 2025-2026. This proposed action item is to consider and adopt guidelines to implement San Diego River Conservancy’s Proposition 4 (Prop 4) Nature-Based Solutions grant program. The guidelines, which are similar to previous Conservancy grant guidelines were posted on the Conservancy’s website on October 3, 2025, for a 30-day public comment period.

**Discussion:**

Hayley Peterson, DAG, Department of Justice  
Julia Richards, Executive Officer, San Diego River Conservancy

Recommendation: Approve Resolution No. 26-07

**10. Executive Officer’s Report (*INFORMATIONAL/ACTION*)**

The following topics may be included in the Executive Officer’s Report. The Board may take action regarding any of them:

- Proposition 4 – Nature Based Solutions

Conservancy staff attended the following events & meetings:

2024 Climate Bond/ Proposition 4 meetings and site visits  
Climate Bond Program Coordination Team meeting  
California Wildfire & Forest Resilience Task Force meeting  
Dept. of General Services meeting  
Meeting with the new City of Santee City Manager  
San Diego State University Research Foundation meeting  
Access Working Group - Natural Resources Agency meeting  
Tijuana River Valley Recovery Team Steering Committee meeting  
Fire Safe Council of Greater San Diego meeting  
Jamul Fire Safe Council meeting and tour  
San Diego Regional Fire Foundation meeting  
San Diego County Parks, TCT meeting

**11. Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is anticipated to be held in person on Friday, May 22, 2026, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

**12. Adjournment**

**Accessibility**

If you require a disability related modification or accommodation to participate in this meeting, including auxiliary aids or services, please call Dustin Harrison at 619-390-0571 or [Dustin.Harrison@sdrc.ca.gov](mailto:Dustin.Harrison@sdrc.ca.gov).