

## California-Mexico Border Relations Council

### MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

**Tuesday, April 8, 2025**  
**1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. PST**  
(or until the close of business)

#### PHYSICAL MEETING LOCATIONS

College Center at Imperial Valley College  
380 E Aten Road  
Imperial, CA 92251

California Environmental Protection Agency  
East Training Room 1 & West Training Room 1  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

California Department of Food and Agriculture  
Conference Room 420  
1220 N Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

#### TELECONFERENCE OPTION:

Participate by Zoom:  
Register in advance using this [Zoom link](#).

You will then receive a confirmation email with information about options for joining the meeting, including how to join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone, or Android device; One Tap mobile; or telephone.

This meeting will occur with both a physical meeting location and an option to participate from a remote location. A majority of the members will be physically present at the noticed meeting location. Members of the public will have the opportunity to observe the meeting and offer public comment whether attending in person, by Zoom, or by phone. After each agenda item, and at the end of the meeting, the Chair will call for public comment.

#### **AGENDA**

1. **Welcome** – Chair Yana Garcia, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the State of California
2. **Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum** – Chair Yana Garcia, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the State of California

3. **Meeting Logistics and Interpretation Services Announcement** – Chair Yana Garcia, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the State of California
4. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve Draft Minutes for the Previous Meeting on November 7, 2024** – Chair Yana Garcia, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the State of California
5. **Discussion on Cross-Agency Collaboration**
  1. Councilmember updates on interdepartmental and interagency collaboration and opportunities for strengthening collaboration on border programs and projects.
4. **Discussion of New River Improvement Project**
  - a. California Environmental Protection Agency and local partner updates on ongoing issues and work related to the New River.
5. **Future Meeting Dates and Agenda Items** —Chair Yana Garcia, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the State of California
6. **Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda** – Chair Yana Garcia, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the State of California

*The Council may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during the Public Comment section that is not included on this agenda, except whether to decide to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Gov. Code, §§ 11125, 11125.7, subd. (a).)*
11. **Adjournment** – Chair Yana Garcia, Secretary for Environmental Protection for the State of California

## **Informational Notes:**

### About the Council:

The Council is comprised of the state secretaries or directors of the following agencies: California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA); California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS); California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA); California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA); California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA); California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES); Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH); California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz); and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, which serves as a non-voting ex-officio member.

### Contact:

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If you need further information prior to the meeting, please contact the CalEPA Border Affairs Program by phone at (916) 324-8741, by email at [BorderAffairs@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:BorderAffairs@calepa.ca.gov), or by letter to 1001 I Street, P.O. Box 2815, Sacramento, California, 95812-0806.

### Public Participation:

In accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, all meetings of the Council are open to the public. The Council plans to provide a teleconference option for the public for this meeting; however, teleconference options cannot be guaranteed. If you wish to have a guaranteed opportunity to observe or participate in the meeting, please plan to attend in-person for the entire meeting. Discussion and action may be taken on any item on the Council's meeting agenda. The time and order of agenda items are approximate and subject to change at the discretion of the Chair or their designee to facilitate the effective transaction of business.

Government Code section 11125.7 provides the opportunity for the public to address each agenda item during discussion or consideration by the Council or prior to the Council taking any action on said item. The Council will provide members of the public with an opportunity to make public comments during the meeting on any issues before the Council, but the Chair or their designee, at their discretion, may apportion available time among those who wish to make public comment during the meeting. Individuals may also make public comment to the Council regarding items not on the agenda; however, the Council cannot discuss or take official action on these items during the same meeting. (Gov. Code, §§ 11125, 11125.7, subd. (a).)

Members of the public who are participating remotely may provide comments by using the "Raise your Hand" feature if joining from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone, or Android device. If calling-in by phone, members of the public may use \*9 to raise or lower your hand and may dial \*6 to mute or unmute once they are called on and permitted to speak. A moderator will call on you to share your comment. Please keep comments to two minutes or less.

Spanish and English simultaneous interpretation will be available to all attendees who join the meeting through the computer/mobile application, or through the web client. Interpretation will be unavailable if joining by phone, only.

Members of the public may but are not obligated to provide their names or personal information as a condition of observing or participating in the meeting. When signing into the Zoom platform, participants may be asked for their name and email address. Participants who choose not to provide their names will be required to provide a unique identifier such as their initials or another alternative, so that the meeting moderator can identify individuals who wish to make public comment; participants who choose not to provide their email address may utilize a fictitious email address in the following sample format: xxxxx@mailinator.com.

#### Accessibility at CalePA:

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