



**Kings Waste & Recycling Authority**

**KWRA**

**A Joint Powers Authority**



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**KINGS WASTE & RECYCLING AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SPECIAL MEETING**

Date: Thursday, December 18, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Kings Waste and Recycling Authority  
Conference Room  
7803 Hanford-Armona Road  
Hanford, CA 93230

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**AGENDA**

- | <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Description</u>  |
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| 1.              | Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance  |
| 2.              | Unscheduled Appearances – Public Comment<br><i>Any person may directly address the Board at this time on any item on the agenda, or on any other items of interest to the public, that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Three (3) minutes are allowed for each item.</i> |
| 3.              | Action: Approve Adjustment of Maximum MSW Tipping Fee   |
| 4.              | Action Item Task List   |
| 5.              | Board Member Comments   |
| 6.              | Upcoming Board Meeting Schedule:<br><del>Wednesday, December 31, 2025 @ 8:00 AM – Canceled</del><br>Wednesday, January 28, 2026   |
| 7.              | Adjournment   |

## **Item No. 2**

### **Unscheduled Appearances**

Unscheduled speakers may address the Board concerning any agenda item or any activity of KWRA at the beginning of the meeting, or may elect to address the Board on any agenda item at the time that the item is called upon by the Chair but before the matter is considered by the Board in the staff report. Unscheduled comments will be limited to three minutes. The Board may permit comment through the remote teleconference line to the extent feasible.

### **Item No. 3**

#### **Public Hearing: Adjustment of Maximum Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Tipping Fee**

In July 2019, the KWRA Board of Directors permanently closed the materials recovery facility at the KWRA transfer station due to poor market conditions and outdated equipment. At this time, the MSW fee was temporarily decreased from \$75 per ton to \$65 per ton. In 2021, an efficiency study conducted by R3 Consulting Group, Inc. led to the temporary decrease in the MSW fee to \$58 per ton. Per the study's rate models (Exhibit A), KWRA's MSW rate was scheduled to increase gradually each year to accommodate for capital improvement projects and equipment purchases. A capital improvement plan and schedule was also implemented at this time, along with a landfill capital improvement plan for the three closed landfills that are still monitored.

KWRA has not raised its MSW fee since 2023, raising the rate from \$62 per ton to \$65 per ton. Due to significant increases in inflation and cost of living allocations, KWRA must increase the MSW fee to \$75 per ton. This increase was approved by the Board of Directors on June 25, 2025, to be effective on September 02, 2025, allowing for ample notice periods for municipalities and the general public.

This public hearing requests that the KWRA Board of Directors set the Maximum MSW fee not to exceed \$90 per ton in the near future. This would allow KWRA Director and administration to adjust, decrease or increase rates as necessary. Board approval would be necessary for all adjustments to any proposed rate changes. Current rate of \$75 will remain in effect and the current request WILL NOT increase the rate at this time.

***It is requested that the KWRA Board of Directors:***

- 1. Approve the adjustments for the MSW Fee not to exceed \$90 per ton set to be reviewed and adjusted annually.***

#### **Item No. 4**

##### **Action Item Task List**

- CIWMP – 5 Year Plan
- 5 Year Permit Review
- Transfer Processing Report
- RFP for Recyclables

#### **Item No. 5**

##### **Board Member Comments**

On their own initiative, Board Members may make a brief announcement or a brief report on their own activities. They may ask questions for clarification, make a referral to staff, or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda. (Government Code Section 54954.2[a].)

#### **Item No. 6**

##### **Future KWRA Board Meetings**

Wednesday, December 31, 2025 @ 8:00 AM– Canceled

Wednesday, January 28, 2026 @ 8:00 AM

KWRA Administration Building  
7803 Hanford Armona Road  
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#### **Item No. 7**

##### **Adjournment**