

Meeting Information Request Form

To ensure that the appropriate individual within the Department of the Interior is meeting with you on a given matter and because the Office of the Assistant Secretary - Water & Science is committed to maintaining the highest ethical standards, we are requesting the following information in order to proceed with your meeting request.

Please respond to the questions below and send your response or any questions to:

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Requesting individual/organization: (Please identify the person(s) (name and affiliation) requesting the meeting, including any background information on the affiliated organization(s).)	Tulare County, CA
Point of Contact information (Name, Email, Phone): If same as above, just write same.	David Wetmore, dwetmore@carpiclay.com , (b)(6)
Have you or has anyone from your organization/group met with anyone from DOI/ASWS in the past 6 months? If yes, whom?	no
Meeting date (if date is flexible, please indicate the range): Please explain any time sensitivity that impacts the date of the meeting, such as court-ordered or statutory deadline:	2/26: 9 am – 10:30 am, 1 pm – 3:30 pm
Proposed meeting location (Virtual or In-Person) (City, State):	In person, Washington, DC
Expected meeting participants (name, title, and organizational affiliation):	• Pete Vander Poel, Chair, Tulare County Board of Supervisors • Dennis Townsend, Supervisor - District 5 • Larry Micari, Supervisor District 1 • Jason Britt, County Administrative Officer • Israel Sotelo, Chief of Staff to the Board • David Wetmore, Carpi & Clay (Federal Advocate)
Are any expected meeting participants registered lobbyists or lobbying organizations, and/or registered under the Foreign Agents Registration Act? (If yes, please identify.)	Yes, David Wetmore is a registered lobbyist with Carpi & Clay, Inc. The firm represents Tulare County.

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Are any expected meeting participants a partisan political candidate, a representative of a political party or a registered political action committee (PAC)? (If yes, please identify.) Do you anticipate that any gifts/swag/meals will be given or provided by you/your group during this meeting? If so, please list the items and their monetary value, if any, so that this can be cleared by DOI Ethics prior to the meeting.	Yes, elected county-level officials: • Pete Vander Poel, Chair, Tulare County Board of Supervisors • Dennis Townsend, Supervisor - District 5 • Larry Micari, Supervisor District 1
Do any expected meeting participants seek or currently have any business interests with the Department such as permits, contracts, litigation, grants, etc.? (If yes, please identify.)	no
Describe the proposed meeting topic/ agenda, provide available briefing materials, and identify desired outcome(s):	The first Trump administration's 2019 CVP BiOps which touches several Interior agencies including BuRec and FWS. The original announcement was very welcome in the Central Valley however the Biden administration reversed it. The Board is eager to see expedited movement on this in the new administration and hoping to meet with Interior to express its support.
Will the meeting involve legislation, broad policy options, or other general matters that involve a large and diverse range of persons and interests? (If yes, please describe.)	Yes, see above, Central Valley in California.
Will the meeting involve regulations, rules, or other matters that impact a specific industry, sector of the economy, or group of persons? (If yes, please describe.)	See above
Will the meeting involve a litigation matter, a permit, a grant, a contract, or any other matter that involves specific parties? • If yes, please identify the matter and list the specific parties.	No
With which Bureau or Agency does your proposed meeting agenda most align? Please list all, if more than one. (for example: Bureau of Reclamation or USGS)	Office of the Secretary – Policy, Management, and Budget

If the Assistant Secretary is unable to meet, is a surrogate desired? If yes, who specifically?	
Any additional notes or information?	