



**ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON
ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS**

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**Tulare County's Drinking Water:
Addressing Water Quality and Water Supply Challenges**

Wednesday, February 18, 2015
State Capitol, Room 447
2:00 – 5:00 PM

OPENING COMMENTS: Honorable Luis Alejo, Chair

Part I: EAST PORTERVILLE: EFFECTS OF THE DROUGHT ON WATER SUPPLY

Panel 1

- Donna Johnson, East Porterville resident
- Elva Beltran, East Porterville resident
- Tomas Garcia, East Porterville resident
- Tony Alvarez, East Porterville resident
- Edelmira Rodriguez, East Porterville resident
- Angelica Gallegos, East Porterville resident
- Denika Beltran, East Porterville resident

Panel 2

- Paul Boyer, Program Director of Community Development, Self-Help Enterprises
- Mary Alice Escarsega-Fechner, Executive Director, Community Services and Employment Training (CSET)
- Rosemary Caso, Executive Director, United Way of Tulare County
- Fred Beltran, Director, Porterville Area Coordinating Council

Panel 3

- Allen Ishida, Tulare County Supervisor, and Denise England, Senior Administrative Water Resources Analyst, Tulare County
- Mayor Milt Stowe and Council Member Virginia Gurrola, City of Porterville
- Charles Rabamad, Assistant Director for Recovery, Governor's Office of Emergency Services
- Eric Lamoureux, Regional Administrator, Inland Region, Governor's Office of Emergency Services
- Darrin Polhemus, Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance, State Water Resources Control Board

Part II: TULARE LAKE BASIN DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITY WATER STUDY STATUS UPDATE (30 minutes)

- Allen Ishida, Tulare County Supervisor, and Denise England, Senior Administrative Water Resources Analyst, Tulare County
- Laurel Firestone, Co-Executive Director and Attorney at Law, Community Water Center
- Jeanine Jones, Deputy Drought Manager, and Ernie Taylor, P.E., South Central Region,, Regional Coordinator, California Department of Water Resources

Part III: PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT