



CEAC Flood Control and Water Resources Policy Committee

2026 CEAC Spring Conference

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

Hyatt Regency Monterey

1 Old Golf Course Road, Monterey, CA 93940

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February 25, 2026 | 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

AGENDA

Chair, Jason Uhley, Riverside County
Vice Chair, Carolyn Burke, Santa Cruz County
Vice Chair, Jeff Palmer, Ventura County

- 9:30 a.m. I. **Welcome and Introductions**
Jason Uhley, Riverside County, Chair
- 9:35 a.m. II. **State Legislation Update**
Charles Delgado, CEAC
- 9:40 a.m. III. **Navigating CDFW Permitting – Tips to get better permits**
Clark Morrison, Partner at Cox-Castle
- 10:00 a.m. IV. **February California Counties Permitting Leg Trip – What we learned**
Andrew Raaf, County of Santa Barbara Flood Control District
- 10:10 a.m. V. **Leveraging the Select Committee Report on Permitting Reform -**
Panel Discussion / Questions – Come prepared to share your thoughts on
Permitting Reform issues and opportunities – what would you recommend to
the legislature!
- 10:30 a.m. VI. **Adjourn**

Summary:

In March 2025 an Assembly Select Committee published a report on Permitting Reform Opportunities in California (<https://a14.asmdc.org/select-committee-permitting-reform>). The Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee also held a separate Hearing titled “Is California Ready for the Flood”; which also touched on the need for permitting reform. The Flood Committee has assembled a panel to help arm you with what you need to know to successfully navigate CDFW permitting and to explore how CEAC can engage on this topic.