

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**City of Arvin Planning Commission**

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of Arvin, California, will conduct a public hearing, at which time you may be present and be heard, to consider the following:

Adoption of a Resolution recommending Approval of an optional element to the Arvin General Plan, called the Water Resources Element, to the Arvin City Council, including a recommendation to adopt an Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3), because this Element constitutes a planning study on the topic of water management in Arvin and any future water projects including but not limited to water lines, pumps, and storage facilities; waste water treatment facilities; water treatment facilities; or water storage facilities shall require CEQA compliance on the actual facilities proposed to be constructed. Adoption of a Resolution recommending Approval of an optional element to the Arvin General Plan, called the Water Resources Element, to the Arvin City Council, including a recommendation to adopt an Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3), because this Element constitutes a planning study on the topic of water management in Arvin and any future water projects including but not limited to water lines, pumps, and storage facilities; waste water treatment facilities; water treatment facilities; or water storage facilities shall require CEQA compliance on the actual facilities proposed to be constructed.

**Arvin Planning Commission Public Hearing Information**

Date: March 19, 2019  
Time: 6:00 PM or as the Agenda permits  
Place: City of Arvin Council Chambers  
200 Campus Drive, Arvin, CA 93203

The Water Resources Element begins with the premise that managing the ground water system under Arvin so that it remains in a sustainable state is not only important to the City but also to the larger agricultural community because urban and agricultural uses “drink” from the same ground water system. Arvin’s economy and well-being, like most cities in the Valley, is tied to the local agricultural economy. When agriculture suffers due to lack of imported water or falling water tables, Arvin also suffers – higher unemployment rates, reduced property and sales taxes, and higher crime rates.

The Element and its implementing policies will be based on the City Council’s Five Golden Rules for water management, which reads as follows:

1. When the status quo is NOT acceptable, this presents an opportunity to implement new innovative strategies.

2. Collaborate on and utilize multi-disciplinary/multi-benefit strategies on public and private projects
3. Diversify dependence on water sources
4. Protect safety, health and quality of life during drought/climate change
5. Foster sustainable water use behavior by the public

The Arvin Water Resources Element sets forth goals, policies and implementation strategies that will assist Arvin to have a meaningful, long-term water management program, and also establish a coordinated working relationship with the Arvin Community Services District, which provides domestic water to Arvin.

Additional information on the proposed project and proposed environmental finding may be obtained from the City of Arvin, City Hall, 200 Campus Drive, Arvin, California, 93203, or the City's web site at [www.arvin.org](http://www.arvin.org).

All persons interested in this topic, who have questions, would like to provide feedback, or who have comments, are invited to attend. If you challenge the approval or denial of these matters in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk, at or prior to, the public hearing. Address any communications or comments regarding the project to Cecilia Vela, City Clerk, at 200 Campus Drive, Arvin, CA 93203, (661) 854-3134, [cvela@arvin.org](mailto:cvela@arvin.org).

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Cecilia Vela, City Clerk  
City of Arvin

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