



WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD OF TULARE COUNTY EMPLOYMENT CONNECTION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Thursday, May 15, 2025; 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Employment Connection Center – 4025 West Noble, Visalia

1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2) **PUBLIC COMMENTS (Three minutes per individual/organization, fifteen minutes total).** Any member of the public wishing to address the Employment Connection Committee on a specific matter under its jurisdiction, please notify WIB staff of your name and provide a brief description of the subject matter before the meeting. The Employment Connection Committee will not be able to act on any item that does not appear on the agenda.

3) **CONSENT ITEMS** – All items under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be approved in one action without discussion. If a committee member requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, or a citizen wishes to speak on an item, the item will be considered under Regular Items.

a) Employment Connection Committee Meeting Minutes

- i. Approve February 20, 2025, Committee Meeting Minutes.

4) PARTNER PRESENTATION

Presentation by America Works of California, Inc.

Presenter: Marco Vasquez, Program Supervisor/Manager at America Works of California, Inc. Marco will provide an overview of the Farmworker and Rural Individual Equity to Services (FRIES) program, which focuses on increasing access to employment-related services for farmworkers and rural individuals, including those with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). The presentation will highlight key program components, successful strategies in connecting individuals and families to Central Valley Regional Center (CVRC) services, and how to refer eligible individuals.

5) ONE-STOP OPERATOR (OSO) ITEMS

a) Employment Connection Memorandum of Understanding – Update and Timeline

6) DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

a) WIB Executive Director Report

b) Theory of Change – Employment Connection

c) Discussion on Priorities for the Employment Connection System Integration

d) Business Services Updates

- Recruitment Assistance – Job Connect, Recruitment Events
- Rapid Response

e) Employment Connection Center and OSO Reports (Handouts)

7) ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

8) **ECC Meeting Dates – 2025** – August 21, 2025, and November 20, 2025

9) ADJOURN