# **Board of Pilot Commissioners**

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July 14, 2025

# **NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun (Board or BOPC) will conduct a public meeting on **Thursday**, **July 24, 2025, at 9:30 a.m**. Items of business scheduled for the meeting are listed on the attached agenda.\* There may be recesses at the discretion of the Chairperson.

Members of the public may participate in this meeting in person or via telephone.

#### Location:

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#### To participate via telephone please use:

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There will be an opportunity for public comments on all agenda and non-agenda items at the outset of the open session.\*\* There will also be an opportunity for public comment during the presentation of each agenda item, and on non-agenda items at the end of the meeting.\*\* Meeting documents will be available on the Board's website listed below, or in the Board's office for public inspection.

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**BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS** 



Allen Garfinkle, Executive Director

This notice and agenda may also be found on the Board's website www.bopc.ca.gov.



- \* Order of business is approximate and subject to change.
- \*\* When Incident Review Committee (IRC) reports are presented, only written public comment, submitted to the IRC prior to the meeting, may be considered for the corresponding agenda item.



### Board of Pilot Commissioners for the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and Suisun Board Meeting Thursday, July 24, 2025, at 9:30 a.m.

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

#### **OPEN MEETING**

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call. (President Tynan)
- 2. Public comment on matters on the agenda or not on the agenda.
- 3. Review and approval of Board meeting minutes from the meeting held on June 26, 2025. (President Tynan)

### Possible Board action to approve the minutes from the Board meeting held on June 26, 2025.

- 4. President Announcements and Activities. (President Tynan)
- 5. Board Member Announcements and Activities. (Board Members)
- 6. Directors' Report. (Executive Director Garfinkle/Assistant Director Millspaugh)
  - A) Correspondence and activities since the Board meeting held on June 26, 2025.
  - B) Report on pilot licensing matters since the Board meeting held on June 26, 2025.
  - C) Report on Board surcharges.
  - D) Report of pension fiduciary.
  - E) Report on legislative activities and contractual matters.
- 7. Port Agent's Report. (Port Agent Carlier)
  - A) Monthly report on San Francisco Bar Pilots' (SFBP) Port Agent updates, including: a list of pilots who have been Absent for Medical Reasons (AFMR) and the Minimum Rest Period (MRP) exceptions, SFBP Fatigue Risk Mitigation Report, SFBP Pilot Boat Report, and vessel moves.
  - B) Monthly report on SFBP ship piloting business activity.
  - C) Monthly confidential written report of licensed pilots who have been Absent for Medical Reasons (AFMR). The Board may go into closed session to discuss the contents of the Port Agent's confidential report and other relevant confidential medical information, as authorized by Harbors and Navigation Code (HNC) section 1157.1.

- 8. Pilot Evaluation Committee. (Committee Chair Captain Ruff)
  - A) Report on the Pilot Evaluation Committee (PEC) meeting held on July 16, 2025.
  - B) Possible PEC recommendation to place one or more Pilot Trainee Training Program trainees on probation, suspend, or dismiss one or more trainees from the program.

Possible Board action to place one or more Pilot Trainee Training Program trainees on or off probation, suspend, or dismiss one or more trainees from the program.

The Board may go into closed session to discuss any confidential portions of the Committee Chair's report and/or other relevant confidential medical information, as authorized by Harbors and Navigation Code section 1157.1.

C) Possible PEC recommendation as to whether a trainee has, or trainees have, successfully completed the Pilot Trainee Training Program.

Possible Board action to award a Certificate of Completion to a trainee or trainees who has/have completed the Pilot Trainee Training Program.

D) Possible recommendation from the Executive Director for the Board to issue a state pilot license to a trainee or trainees who hold a Certificate of Completion from the Pilot Trainee Training Program.

Possible Board action to accept a recommendation from the Executive Director that a trainee or trainees holding a Certificate of Completion from the Pilot Trainee Training Program be licensed as a state-licensed pilot, and issue said state license.

- 9. Joint Pilot Boat Advisory Committee and the Finance Committee. (Committee Chair Carr)
  - A) Report on the Joint Pilot Boat Advisory Committee and the Finance Committee meeting held on July 16, 2025.
  - B) Possible Joint Finance/Pilot Boat Advisory Committee recommendation regarding the SFBP's and the San Francisco Bar Pilot's Benevolent and Protective Association's request for final authorization for the design and engineering stages of a new station pilot vessel.

Possible Board action on the Joint Finance/Pilot Boat Advisory Committee's recommendation to review supporting documentation from the SFBP and the San Francisco Bar Pilot's Benevolent and Protective Association and approve a request for final authorization for the design and engineering stages of a new station pilot vessel.

C) Possible Joint Finance/Pilot Boat Advisory Committee recommendation to the Board to approve a Board Resolution providing authority to a third-party contractor to conduct audits related to the use of Pilot Boat Surcharge funds to build or improve pilot boats (Pilot Boat Program).

Possible Board action regarding a Board Resolution providing authority to a third-party contractor to conduct audits related to the use of Pilot Boat Surcharge funds to build or improve pilot boats (Pilot Boat Program).

- 10. Reported Safety Standard Violations. (Executive Director Garfinkle) (Reported safety standard violations occurring up to the start of the meeting will be included.)
- 11. Incident Review Committee (IRC) Reportable Piloting Events. (Executive Director Garfinkle/Vice President Hayes-White) (Reportable piloting events occurring up to the start of the meeting will be reported on.)
  - A) Progress report on IRC report regarding the October 14, 2024, event involving the Motor Tanker (M/T) PLATANOS which made unintended contact with the pier at Shell Martinez.

Possible Board action to extend the M/V PLATANOS report to the next monthly Board meeting.

- 12. Status report on the Board's Information Technology Modernization Project (ITMP). (Assistant Director Millspaugh)
- 13. Stakeholders' report on subjects that may be of interest to the Board, including reports on shipping activity regionally and within the Board's jurisdiction, and the status of the next pilot boat build. (Mike Jacob, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association (PMSA)/Captain Anne McIntyre, SFBP)
- 14. Discussion regarding the contract for Surcharge Collection, Pilot Education, and Pilot Trainee Training between the SFBP and the Board, and issues related to reimbursement of the SFBP by the Board. (Captain McIntyre)
- 15. Closed session for the Board to confer with legal counsel regarding potential significant exposure to litigation against the Board involving an inactive licensee. (Board Counsel)

The Board is authorized to discuss this matter in a closed session pursuant to the Open Meeting Act, Government Code section 11126, subdivisions (e)(1) and (e)(2)(B).

16. Discussion and possible re-appointment of the Executive Director to a new five year term. (President Tynan)

Possible Board action to appoint the Executive Director to a new five year term. The Board may go into closed session pursuant to 11126(a)(1) of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act to discuss the most recent Executive Director evaluation.

- 17. Proposals for the next Board meeting agenda. (President Tynan)
- 18. Comment by public and Board Members on matters not on the agenda.
- 19. Adjournment.



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