

MEETING OF THE ROUND VALLEY AREA MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (RVAMAC)

Wednesday, January 07, 2026 at 6:00 PM

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Agenda

1. Call to Order & Roll call
2. Approval of January 07, 2026 Agenda
3. Approval of November 5, 2025 and December 03, 2025 meeting minutes
4. Public Comment & Announcements on non-agenda items.
 - 4a. The Mendocino Voice will host a community listening session at Mendocino College in Ukiah on Tuesday, January 13 to hear directly from Native American communities about local news coverage from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m..
 - 4b.
5. Reports from County, State and Tribal officials:
 - a. Tribal Council
 - b. Sheriff Kendall
 - c. Supervisor Haschak
 - d. Round Valley County Water District
 - e. Mendocino County DOT
 - f. MCOG
 - g. Office of Assemblyman Chris Rogers: Monica Barragan
 - h. Covelo Fire Protection District Report
 - I. Emily McCobb, U C Davis Covelo Vet Clinic
6. New Business:
 - 6.a. Discussion/possible action: Michelle Merrifield has requested to speak about the valleys farm land and fields to have fire breaks or a control burn on dry vegetation. Michelle will draft a letter for the RVAMAC to consider, (Tabled from December)

6.b. Discussion/possible action: Lew Chichester is requesting a Resolution regarding trash in Round Valley. Lew's proposed findings, goals and proposed solutions are attached for incorporation into a Resolution. (Carried over from December agenda)

6.c. Discussion/possible action: CalTrans has been invited to provide an update on their Highway 162 projects and address concerns presented by Pat Sobrero. See attachment. (Carried over from December agenda)

6.d. Discussion/possible action: Clean California Designation Program - Are we interested in starting a campaign in our community to earn this designation? Informational flyer attached. Carried over from December agenda)

<https://cleanca.com/designation/>

6.e. Discussion/possible action: MCOG has been invited to update our community as to its Round Valley Projects as of November 2024. See attachment.

6.f. Discussion/possible action: Many unincorporated areas, even Covelo/Round Valley, have their own specific local plans as part of the County's General Plan. Is this a project the RVAMAC wants to participate in? Attachment: Covelo Local Plan 2009

6.g.

7. Old Business:

7.a. Discussion/possible action:

7b. Discussion and possible action: development of a county noise control ordinance. Will there be an opening for RVAMAC comments?

7c. Discussion and possible action: any needs for the Covelo Fire Hydrant project? If appropriate, Lew Chichester to give a brief report on the town fire hydrant project and request an official letter of support from the RVAMAC which could be used for a grant application to the USDA, the Mendocino Community Foundation and other potential sources of funding for the planning, initial engineering, review by LAFCo and an eventual ballot measure for a parcel tax. This item is a work in progress and will remain on the agenda.

7d. Discussion/possible action: possibility of the county creating a safe housing area for deputy sheriff and other essential county employees and health care workers on the Forestry Service property located at the Covelo Ranger Station.

7e. Discussion and possible action: ongoing problems in the community with uncontained dogs, dogs that have been abandoned (dumped), dogs killing other dogs and creating a nuisance and potential safety issue. (Per conversation with Barbara Thrasher, last week she picked up pup number 250 for the 2025 year).

7f. Discussion and possible update: 7g. Informational: Round Valley Indian Health Center and Round Valley Indian Tribes sponsored a 4 day Emergency Preparedness Training with Falmouth Institute at the Covelo Recreation Center October 14, 15, 16 & 17, 2025. Twenty-one people attended the training. There will be follow up stakeholders meetings to coordinate a comprehensive Emergency Preparedness Plan for the community. A meeting will be coordinated with the Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting in the near future.

8. Treasurer's report

9. Next Meeting: February 04, 2026. Send agenda items to:

admin@mac.roundvalley.org.

10. Adjournment