

Ivar Amen
President, Division 4

Garrett Wallis
Vice President, Division 3

Ronnean Lund
Director, Division 1

Audie Butcher
Director, Division 2

Matt Arrowsmith
Director, Division 5

Daniel Ruiz
General Manager

BOARD MEETING

Approved Minutes

May 14, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

1887 Howard Street, Anderson (Council Chambers)

1. Call to Order by President Amen at 6 pm.

Directors Present: Ivar Amen, Ronnean Lund, Audie Butcher, and Matt Arrowsmith

Directors Absent: Garrett Wallis

Staff Present: Dan Ruiz, Ben Duncan, Shawna Bell

2. Flag Salute was done by Director Matt Arrowsmith

3. Public Participation

Time is set aside for members of the public who wish to address the Board regarding matters within the District's jurisdiction. Individuals are requested to limit comments to a maximum of three minutes.

Tammy Weisberg addressed the Board regarding flooding affecting her property.

Consent Items

a. Payroll: Approve April Hours and Time Off Activity

Director Lund made the motion to approve the Payroll Summary for April 2026; Director Arrowsmith seconded the motion. Vote 4-0 passed unanimously.

4. Regular Business Items

a. Minutes – Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 9, 2026

Director Butcher made the motion to approve the Minutes for April 9, 2026; Director Arrowsmith seconded the motion. Vote 4-0 passed unanimously.

b. Financial Status Report for Year-to-Date through April 2026

Discussion included:

- Overages in contractor services and chemical expenses
- Need for internal audit and potential budget amendments
- Insurance cost increases due to renewal timing

Staff will:

- Review and reclassify expenses
 - Work with the budget committee to improve reporting clarity
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b. Operations Manager Report

Highlights:

- Main canal currently operating ~240 CFS
- Strong irrigation demand; system functioning efficiently
- Significant improvements due to recent maintenance work
- Vegetation management program underway (chemical and mechanical)
- Consideration of equipment (mini excavator) for long-term maintenance

Key Issues Addressed:

- Lateral 29 flow restriction identified and corrected
- Lateral 27 cleaned and restored to proper function
- Lateral 3 blockage cleared via hydro-jetting
- Trash rake and screening system repairs completed
- Main Canal herbicide treatment scheduled for May 25–26

Planned:

- Expanded vegetation control strategy
- Preparation of capital improvement project list (target: June/July)

c. Committee Reports

- a. Budget
- b. Personnel
- c. Diversion Dam
- d. Assessment
- e. Strategic
- f. EAGSA
- g. SRSC

No formal meetings held.

Updates:

- Budget committee to reconvene after internal audit
- Recruitment process underway for financial position
- Strategic planning effort under consideration (scaled approach)

8. Adjourn Open Session at 7:55 pm

9. CLOSED SESSION: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION (GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.9(D)(1)). CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING LIABILITY CLAIMS:

- a. Brittany & Gabriel Smith

b. Sally Robbins

The Board gave direction to the General Manager and Counsel

10. CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Government Code section

§54956.8) - Confer with District negotiators (Daniel Ruiz and Counsel Dustin Cooper)

Negotiating Parties: Anderson-Cottonwood Irrigation District, City of Redding, Bella Vista Water District, City of Shasta Lake, Shasta Community Service District.

Under Negotiation: Terms and Condition of a potential Drought Protection Program Agreement Water Transfers

The Board gave direction to the General Manager

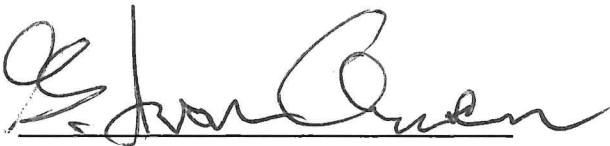
11. CLOSED SESSION

Public Employee Employment and/or Performance Evaluation (Government Code § 54957)

Title: General Manager & Operations Manager Evaluation

No action taken

12. Adjourn Closed Session at 8:50 pm



Signature



Date