

WEST KERN WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Minutes - Board of Directors
Tuesday, May 27, 2025

800 Kern Street
Taft, California

Directors Present: *Scott Niblett*
 Bo Bravo
 David A. Wells
 Barry M. Jameson
 Gary Morris

Ex-Officio Officer: *Greg A. Hammett, General Manager/Secretary*

District Counsel: *Alex Dominguez*

Recording Secretary: *Deann Crabtree*

Staff in Attendance: *Tami Sivils, Adeana McDaniel-Furman, Taylor Miller*
 Wendy Adams-Rosenberger, Troy Turley, John Stuntebeck,
 Zak Crabb and Mike Law

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

President Scott Niblett called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Administrative Assistant, Deann Crabtree called roll and noted President Scott Niblett, Vice President Bo Bravo, Director Barry M. Jameson, Director David A. Wells and Director Gary J. Morris as present.

IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS

No conflicts to report.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments to report.

VI. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Upon Motion by Director Jameson, Seconded
By Director Morris and Carried Unanimously
With 5 Ayes, 0 Noes
To approve the May 27, 2025
Regular Board Meeting Agenda.

**VII. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING:
APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. April 22, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

*Upon Motion by Director Bravo, Seconded
By Director Jameson and Carried Unanimously
With 5 Ayes, 0 Noes
To approve the Minutes of the
April 22, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.*

VIII. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

IX. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

i. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Training Report

RECOMMENDATION: Information Only.

ii. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Operations Department Review

RECOMMENDATION: Information Only.

iii. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Cash Flow for April 2025

RECOMMENDATION: Information Only.

iv. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Capital Improvement Budget Comparison and Equipment Procurement

RECOMMENDATION: Information Only.

v. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Safety Meeting & Project Report

vi. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Position Vacancies

X. DISCUSSION & APPROVAL OF ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

*Upon Motion by Director Jameson, Seconded
By Director Bravo and Carried Unanimously
With 5 Ayes, 0 Noes
To approve Consent Items i-vi of the
May 27, 2025 Regular Board Agenda.*

XI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE
(Wells, Bravo)

1. **Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Water Supply Report**

Regulatory Administrator, Wendy Adams-Rosenberger, reviewed the current Water Supply Report with Directors and staff.

2. **Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
General Manager Water Report**

General Manager, Greg A. Hammett reviewed the Northern Sierra Precipitation report, state reservoir conditions, snowpack and various hydrology reports with the board, the General Manager also reported on the Delta Conveyance Project.

3. **Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Consumer Confidence Report**

Regulatory Administrator, Wendy Adams-Rosenberger, reported the District's 2024 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is required to be mailed to District customers and submitted to the State Water Resources Control Board by July 1, 2025. Staff have updated the analytical data and education material required by the State.

*Upon Motion by Director Bravo, Seconded
By Director Wells and Carried Unanimously
With 5 Ayes, 0 Noes
To Authorize District Staff to Submit and Distribute
The 2025 Consumer Confidence Report.*

B. **ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
(Jameson, Bravo)**

No items to discuss.

C. **FACILITIES COMMITTEE
(Jameson, Niblett)**

1. **Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Well NW3 Repair, Job #24-6500**

Operations Engineering Administrator, Troy Turley reported on April 11, 2025, Corpro completed the design, delivery and installation, including initial testing and set up of the new impressed current cathodic protection system. All work was performed in accordance with the plans and contract documents. The installation and oversight of the new systems components was conducted by Corpro and Bakersfield Well & Pump. The new CP system has been active since April 11th. A Corpro engineer is scheduled to return to the site again on April 22nd to monitor the rectifiers initial settings and make adjustments in current

if necessary. District Staff is requesting Board acceptance of the completed work, payment of the final billing and issuance of a Notice of Completion.

*Upon Motion by Director Wells, Seconded
By Director Morris and Carried Unanimously
With 5 Ayes, 0 Noes
To approve acceptance of the completed work,
approval of final billing in the amount of \$44,735.26 and
issuance of a Notice of Completion.*

**D. FINANCE COMMITTEE
(Morris, Niblett)**

**1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Accounts Payable for May 2025**

Controller/Finance Administrator, Adeana McDaniel-Furman presented the accounts payable report for May 2025.

*Upon Motion by Director Wells, Seconded.
By Director Bravo and Carried Unanimously
With 5 Ayes, 0 Noes
To Approve Expenditure for May 2025
Bills When Funds are Available.*

**E. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
(Wells, Morris)**

**1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Proposed Job Descriptions and Salary Ranges
a. Electrician I - Job Description and Salary Ranges
b. Electrician II - Change in Title only**

Human Resources Administrator, Tami Sivils presented a new job description and salary range for the Electrician I position and a revised job description for the Electrician II position. She further noted these revisions are minor language changes to depict the difference between the two electricians' positions for Board consideration.

*Upon Motion by Director Wells, Seconded.
By Director Bravo and Carried Unanimously
With 5 Ayes, 0 Noes
To Approve A) Senior Electrician I Job Description and Salary Range.
B.) Approve revised Electrician II Job Title*

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS

No items to discuss.

XIII. ISSUES OF CONCERN

A. June 2025 Meeting Calendar

Directors approved the May Calendar.

B. Potential Issues to be Addressed at Next Board Meeting

Operations Coordinator, Taylor Miller reported AERA notified the district of possibly reducing their Take or Pay Contracts.

C. Board of Director Announcements or Reports

No items to report.

D. General Manager's Report

General Manger, Greg Hammett, reported the District received a letter from AGAPE realty offering to purchase one of the Districts right of way properties. No action was taken.

E. Management Staff Report

Regulatory Administrator, Wendy Adams-Rosenberger, reported the Districts new State Auditor came to perform the Districts 3-year inspection and was very impressed with the Districts system.

F. Kern Non-Districted Land Authority Issues

The General Manger provided a brief report on KNDLA issues.

G. Attorney Report

Legal Counsel, Alex Dominques reported he had attended the ACWA Spring Conference and found it very beneficial.

XIV. CLOSED SESSION

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Government Code, § 54956.9(d)(1)
Conference with Legal Counsel
Existing Litigation: 2 Cases

- A. Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD et al. v. KCWA et. al.;
Kern county Superior Court Case No. BCV-21-10418

- B. California Department of Water Resources v. All Persons Interested
in The Matter of Authorization of Delta Conveyance Program
Revenue Bonds;
Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 25CV000704

2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Government Code, § 54956.9(d)(4)
Conference with Legal Counsel
Potential Litigation: 3 Cases

3. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Government Code, §54956.8
Conference with Real Property Negotiator
Agency Negotiator: Greg A. Hammett, General Manager
Negotiation Parties: West Kern Water District and
West Side Group
Under Negotiation: SWP Water

Directors moved into Closed Session at 5:48 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 5:54 p.m.

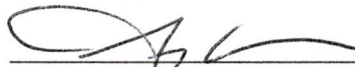
President Scott Niblett reported there was no action taken in Closed Session:

XV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

June 24, 2025

Date Approved



**Greg A. Hammett,
Secretary of the Board of Directors of
WEST KERN WATER DISTRICT**

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