

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Of the
TEHAMA-COLUSA CANAL AUTHORITY
5513 Hwy 162
Willows, CA 95988
May 07, 2025
9:00 a.m.

PRESENT:

SHANDON SMITH*	D	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
BARBARA LINDAUER*	A	CORNING W.D.
DAVID SCHAAD*	D	DUNNIGAN W.D.
MATT DEADMOND*	D	GLIDE W.D.
VINCE LAUFER*	A	GLIDE W.D./KANAWHA W.D.
DARIN TITUS*	D	KIRKWOOD W.D.
JENNY SCHEER*	A	KIRKWOOD W.D.
ZACH DENNIS*	D	LAGRANDE W.D./WESTSIDE W.D.
JIM JONES*	D	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
JUSTIN DAHL*	A	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
BARTLEY FLEHARTY*	D	PROBERTA W.D.
MIKE URKOV*	A	WESTSIDE W.D.
PAMELA KATLEBA-JENKINS	A	WESTSIDE W.D.

DISTRICTS ABSENT:

CORTINA W.D.
DAVIS W.D.
4-M W.D.
GCID
HOLTHOUSE W.D.
THOMES CREEK W.D.

ALSO PRESENT:

WILLIAM VANDERWAAL*	TCCA
LISA DICHARRY*	TCCA
DON BABB	TCCA
SUSAN ALBERT	TCCA
REBECCA SMITH*	DOWNEY BRAND
MEREDITH NICKEL*	DOWNEY BRAND (OVER PHONE-CLOSED)
JAKE BERENS	USBR
ELIZABETH HADLEY	USBR
KIRA CHRISTIANSON	USBR
LEE BERGFELD	MBK EMGINEERS

“*” indicates closed session attendance.

“D” indicates designated director “A” indicates designated alternate.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dennis called the meeting to order at 08:59 a.m.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Roll was called and a quorum was declared present for the conduct of business with 10 Districts represented.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S/C-JONES/LAUFER-UNANIMOUS

To approve May 07, 2025, Regular Meeting Agenda, with two corrections, moving USBR Report up under public comment and moving Attorney’s Report Closed Session up for a 10am call.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Manager Vanderwaal introduced Bartley Fleharty, Proberta Water District’s director to the board of directors.

USBR Report

Elizabeth Hadley reported on the following: Staff updates, hiring freeze until July, 49% reduction at Redding office; Consolidated business functions; Reservoir predicting the carryover over in September will be 2.8; Natalie Taylor is leaving the Bureau as of May 30, 2025.

GUEST SPEAKERS

A. Lee Bergfeld, MBK Engineers, presented to the board Coordinated Operations Agreement (COA) between the State Water Project (SWP) and Central Valley Project (CVP):

- Outline
- Background
- What COA Does
- Delta Conditions: Balanced & Excess
- Key Terms: Supply
- Key Terms: Demands
- Timing of Supply & Demand
- 1986 COA Sharing
- 2018 COA Addendum
- Real-World Implications of COA

- Wrap Up

MONTHLY RE-OCCURRING ITEMS

A. Board Meeting Minutes

M/S/C - JONES/SCHAAD-UNANIMOUS

To approve April 02, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes.

B. Treasurer's Report

M/S/C-SCHAAD/SMITH-UNANIMOUS

To approve the April 2025 Financial Reports as presented.

CLOSED SESSION

A. Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation [California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] Four Cases:

State Water Resources Control Board Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan Proceeding

1. No Report

PCFFA v. Ross (USDC E.D. Cal. Case No. 1:20-cv-00431-DAD-SAB) [2019 BiOps Lawsuit] 3:19-cv-07897

2. No Report

CNRA v. Ross (USDC E.D. Cal. No. 1:20-cv-00426-DAD-SKO) [2019 BiOps Lawsuit]

3. No Report

TCCA v. CA DWR (Superior Court of CA, County of Sacramento, No. 24WM000183) [2024 CEQA Lawsuit]

4. No Report

OPEN SESSION

The board re-convened to regular session at 10:15 a.m.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Operations & Maintenance

- A. Don Babb, TCCA O&M Chief, reported on the following O & M activities: Road grading around Funks Reservoir and to check 18; Buring drain ditch Road 69 to Waste Way; Debris removal around shoreline of Funks Reservoir and Funks Dam spillway; Drain cleaning at Funks Reservoir; Reinstalled LaGrande meter 77.62L; Gravel access road Walker creek; Fence repair Walk creek siphon; Teton treatment on April 22nd at check 1 and check 16; Install new buoy lines at check

21 and Cortina creek siphon; Checking gates; Close and seal gates in Corning, it is up and running; Screen cleaner maintenance, greased, cleaned, and inspect; TCCA assists with Salmon feeding; Log boom maintenance, replace cables; Change out AC filters on 6-ton units, Red Bluff Pumping Plant; Cleaning out ditch along West Canal Road; Fence repairs on TC Canal; Wash and install fish screens, section 3 and 4; Finish spraying both canals; Repeater site visit; Currently pumping 400CFS; vehicle and equipment maintenance; Meter readings; Safety meetings. Upcoming activities: Continue road grading Funks Reservoir to check 18; Road grading Road 69 to Funks Reservoir; Check structure yearly maintenance; Replace moss decks OAWD 5 and GWD 2; Slough repair in check 13; Road grading Road 35 to Hwy 162; Continue working on erosion and tree removal on Corning, 2024 reviews; Mechanical repairs and services as needed; Inspections and maintenance of TC and Corning canals, Red Bluff office complex and pumping plants; Thinking about switching RB phone lines to VOIP; Install more fish screens in the river; Treating the Corning and TC canals; Work on Corning canal and pumping plant recommendations from USBR.

Meetings/Presentations

- B. Manager Vanderwaal presented his written meetings and presentations report to the board, and it is included in the Board Packet for any questions and clarifications:
- Agreements for Healthy Rivers & Landscapes
 - Delta Conveyance Project
 - Groundwater Recharge
 - Corning Canal Reserve
 - District Board Meetings
 - Meeting with Congressman LaMalfa staff
 - Federal Reconciliation Bill
 - SRSC Net Pens
 - Sites Board of Directors Tour
 - Black Butte Gate Project

GENERAL BUSINESS

Policy Updates

- A. Manager Vanderwaal reported Policy 3040 – Expense Authorization and Policy 3090- Record Retention, both policies are dated from 2006 and updating Policy 3090 as provided by legal counsel and adjusting the expenditure cap on Policy 3040.

M/S/C-SCHAAD/SMITH-UNANIMOUS

To approve re-adopting Policy 3040- Expense Authorization with Adoption Date as of May 7, 2025.

M/S/C-SMITH/JONES-UNANIMOUS

To approve adopting Policy 3090- Record Retention, as updated by legal counsel, with Adoption Date as of May 7, 2025.

Discuss and Consider Sites Reservoir JPA Activities

- B. Director Urkov reported on Sites Project activities including Water Rights Hearings, Contracts under review and costs are going up.

ACWA Region 2 Board Membership

- C. Manager Vanderwaal reported on ACWA Region 2 is seeking nominations for their 5-member board. Regional boards consider and weigh in on water issues that in turn get taken to the larger ACWA organization, this is how ACWA's priorities tend to get set and prioritized. Manager Vanderwaal is seeking nomination of a TCCA director or Manager Vanderwaal himself to the Region 2 board and adopting Resolution 2025-02.

Chairman Zachary Dennis opened the floor for nominations for Board Member on the ACWA Region 2 board.

Chairman Dennis made a motion to nominate Shandon Smith as Board Member Vice Chairman Jones seconded the motion.

M/S/C-JONES/TITUS-UNANIMOUS

To approve Resolution 2025-02, A Resolution Placing in Nomination Shandon Smith as a Member of the Association of California Water Agencies Region 2.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Nothing to report.

TCCA CHAIRMAN/VICE CHAIRMAN/DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Dennis adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

Board Secretary
William Vanderwaal

Chairman
Zach Dennis