



Meeting: **Reservoir Committee & Authority Board Agenda
Item 3.8**

October 16, 2026

Subject: **Update on Reclamation District 108 Operations Agreement**

Requested Action:

Receive a status update on the Operations Agreement with Reclamation District 108 (RD 108) and provide feedback on any specific areas of concern.

Detailed Description/Background:

Staff is continuing to negotiate the Operations Agreement with Reclamation District 108 (RD 108) for operations and maintenance services within the Lower Colusa Basin Drain and Knights Landing Outfall Gates system, which the Project uses to deliver project benefits. Since the September update, staff has refined the closing approach, incorporating RD 108's comments and the Authority Board's June direction on the compensation framework. Consistent with the closing framework for the GCID and TCCA Facilities Use Agreements, the agreement would initially compensate authorized services on a time-and-materials basis with a separately stated Administration Fee, supported by advance authorization, invoicing documentation, audit rights, and the common mutual Liability language.

Broader CBD value and alignment discussions remain on a separate track so they do not delay closure. Staff will brief the RC/AB on the remaining issues and the path to completion, complete the participant-review draft in October, and target final consideration and approval at the November 6, 2026 special meeting alongside the Facilities Use Agreements.

Prior Action:

June 2026 –Board provided feedback on the Authority's key terms of an Operations Agreement with Reclamation District 108 (RD 108) for the Lower Colusa Basin Drain (CBD) system.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source:

There are sufficient funds in the Amendment 3 work plan to pay the costs related to this effort. It is expected that the expenditure of funds will run through the end of the Amendment 3 Work Plan, December 31, 2026. Operations and Maintenance scope finalization are expected to be further refined as modeling, design and analysis advances in Phase 3 and 4 of the Project.

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Attachments:

None