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Reservoir Committee & Authority Board

June 26, 2026

Authority Board Chair:	Fritz Durst (Reclamation District 108)
Authority Board Vice Chair:	Jeff Sutton (Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority)
Reservoir Committee Chair:	Mike Urkov (Westside Water District)
Reservoir Committee Vice Chair:	Robert Cheng (Coachella Valley Water District)
Treasurer:	Jamie Traynham (Davis Water District)

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Durst called the Authority Board (AB) and Reservoir Committee (RC) Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., followed by Roll Call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE:

Authority Board: 9 members were present, constituting a quorum.

Reservoir Committee: 19 representatives (92.59%) were present, constituting a quorum.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Members of the Authority Board, Reservoir Committee and public introduced themselves.

Mr. Holley joined the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

ACTION RC: Moved by Ms. Pryor, seconded by Mr. Smalls, to approve the June 26, 2026, meeting agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ACTION AB: Moved by Vice Chair Sutton, seconded by Director Evans to approve the June 26, 2026, meeting agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

General Counsel (GC) Doud announced that the Authority Board of Directors and the Reservoir Committee Members would consider Closed Session Item 5.1.

Mr. Navarrot joined the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chair Durst opened the period for public comment.

One public comment was received which expressed continued opposition to the Project Labor Agreement, questioned the process used to develop the agreement and the contractor's experience in Northern California, and reiterated that the North Coast States Carpenters Union would not sign the agreement and would continue to oppose the Board's approach.

Hearing no further comment, Chair Durst closed the period for public comment.

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

ACTION RC: Moved by Ms. Traynham, seconded by Ms. Pryor, to approve all items on consent agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ACTION AB: It was moved by Director Evans, seconded by Vice Chair Sutton, to approve the consent agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

1.1 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of May 22, 2026 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board Meeting Minutes.

1.2 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider acceptance of the Sites Project Authority Treasurer's Report.

1.3 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of the Sites Project Authority Payment of Claims.

1.4 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider revisions to the Sites Project Authority Construction Workforce Policy to incorporate the template Project Labor Agreement (PLA), the inclusion of Solano County in the Local Area, and clarifying the non-covered provisions of the PLA.

1.5 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider authorizing the transfer of $490,000 from the Contingency Budget to the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) Commercial Readiness Deposit (CRD) budget and delegating authority to the Executive Director to execute any related agreements, amendments, notices, or other documents necessary to satisfy CAISO Cluster 15 interconnection requirements.

1.6 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of four task order amendments, including an increase to contract authority as follows:

- Nossaman – in the amount of $400,000, increasing the total 2026 not-to-exceed amount from $405,000 to $805,000.
- Best Best & Krieger (BBK) – in the amount of $282,000, increasing the total 2026 not-to-exceed amount from $148,000 to $430,000.
- Young Wooldridge – in the amount of $100,000, increasing the total 2026 not-to-exceed amount from $150,000 to $250,000.
- Somach Simmons & Dunn (SSD) – in the amount of $150,000, increasing the total 2026 not-to-exceed amount from $400,000 to $550,000.

1.7 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of a task order amendment with CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. for additional modeling services and conveyance package engineering support in the amount of $380,500 increasing the 2026 not to exceed amount from $1,081,000 to a revised 2026 not to exceed of $1,461,500.

2. ACTION ITEMS:

2.1 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of the 2025 Financial Auditor's Report which includes a Federal Single Audit.

Ms. O'Connell introduced the item and Brian Nash, independent auditor, presented the 2025 financial audit and federal single audit. He reported that the audit was completed without audit adjustments or compliance findings and that the Authority received an unmodified opinion. Mr. Nash concluded that the Authority's financial position remained sound and thanked staff for their assistance during the audit.

Vice Chair Sutton complimented the finance team for its work during the audit process.

Mr. Kunde noted that the audit confirmed the Authority's internal control system was sufficient and satisfactory.

Chair Durst commented that he appreciated seeing the auditor personally sign the audit report, stating that it provided an additional level of accountability.

ACTION RC: It was moved by Mr. Smalls, seconded by Mr Plinski, to recommend approval of agenda item 2.1 to the Authority Board. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ACTION AB: It was moved by Director Roccucci, seconded by Director Jones, to approve agenda item 2.1. **Motion carried unanimously.**

2.2 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider approval of storage capacity reassignments as follows: Colusa County, Glenn Colusa Irrigation District, Reclamation District 108, and various Zone 3 Agencies voluntarily reassigning 98,274 acre feet of storage allocation to Reclamation to be consummated upon the execution of the Partnership Agreement and Benefits & Obligations (B&O) Contracts.

Executive Director (ED) Brown presented the proposed capacity reassignments among participating members to increase the Bureau of Reclamation's project participation from 9 percent to 16 percent in advance of consideration of the Partnership Agreement. He explained that the Board had previously established a process for reallocating capacity, beginning with voluntary transfers between participating members, noting that the Wheeler Ridge to Valley Water (WR-VW) reassignment had already been completed. ED Brown then reviewed the proposed reassignments from Colusa County Water District, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District, Reclamation District 108 and Zone 3, and explained that the reallocations would allow Reclamation's participation to reach 16 percent. He noted that the final allocation table would be completed in conjunction with execution of the Benefits and Obligations Contract (B&O) and the Partnership Agreement.

Vice Chair Sutton expressed concern that approving the reassignments was premature, explaining that Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District had not yet completed discussions with Reclamation and that outstanding issues needed to be resolved before the district was prepared to finalize the reassignment. Vice Chair Sutton requested that the table be clarified as illustrative and not conclusive as to the quantities of reduction by each agency.

ED Brown explained that the proposed reallocations would not be finalized until the related agreements were executed and that discussions with the participating agencies and Reclamation were still ongoing. ED Brown explained that today's action was for the purpose of going through a similar process to the WR-VW action of bringing the item to the Board and getting concurrence that the other Project Agreement members do not take issue with the reassignments. ED Brown clarified that since these reassignments relate to Reclamation, they do not technically require Project Agreement members approval, but Staff felt it appropriate to treat this reassignment consistently for transparency and keep the full Board abreast of progress on this front. ED Brown also noted that the amounts of the reassigned capacity among the north state agencies could be adjusted as those transacting the change reach agreement with Reclamation.

ACTION RC: It was moved by Mr. Kunde, seconded by Mr. Navarrot, to recommend approval of agenda item 2.2 to the Authority Board contingent upon 1) possible adjustment of quantities agreed upon by the individual agencies and Reclamation and 2) determination of the project performance as a result of the final water right conditions. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ACTION AB: It was moved by Vice Chair Sutton, seconded by Director Evans, to approve agenda item 2.2 contingent upon 1) possible adjustment of quantities agreed upon by the individual agencies and Reclamation and 2) determination of the project performance as a result of the final water right conditions. **Motion carried unanimously.**

2.3 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board accept the tentatively agreed terms contained in the Partnership Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation and authorize the Executive Director to sign upon the final coordination of the Partnership Agreement terms with the Final Benefits & Obligations Contract.

ED Brown presented the proposed Partnership Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation, explaining that it is the federal counterpart to the B&O. He noted that the agreement is similar in purpose and includes federal contracting requirements and remains tentative pending completion of participation allocations. ED Brown explained that the agreement assumes Reclamation will participate at 16 percent, but the final participation table will not be established until the related capacity reassignments are finalized.

ED Brown stated that staff was seeking the Board's concurrence with the proposed terms and conditions while recognizing that final authorization would remain contingent upon conforming the Partnership Agreement with the final B&O, including federal requirements governing the leasing and sale of capacity, treatment of defaulted capacity, and Reclamation's obligations if federal appropriations are unavailable or if it becomes delinquent on capital or operation and maintenance payments. He explained that these provisions reflect the federal government's funding process while maintaining consistency with the overall project framework.

ED Brown stated that the agreement would not become final until the participation allocations and B&O provisions were finalized and that any overlapping items would be revised to remain consistent between the two agreements.

Mr. Smalls acknowledged the Bureau's unique funding constraints but noted that the proposed default provisions differed from those applicable to project participants. ED Brown responded that staff had attempted to address this concern through delinquency provisions by allowing the Authority to use the Bureau's storage space or sell water stored in that space to recover delinquent operation and maintenance costs.

Mr. Weghorst stated that he was generally comfortable with the way this agreement is structured.

ACTION RC: It was moved by Mr. Weghorst, seconded by Mr. Smalls, to recommend acceptance of the tentatively agreed terms contained in the Partnership Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the agreement subject to Reservoir Committee approval of the final reassignments up to 16 percent and final coordination of the Partnership Agreement terms with the Final Benefits & Obligations Contract. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ACTION AB: It was moved by Vice Chair Sutton, seconded by Director Evans, to accept the tentatively agreed terms contained in the Partnership Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation and to authorize the Executive Director to sign the agreement subject to Reservoir Committee approval of the final reassignments up to 16 percent and final coordination of the Partnership Agreement terms with the Final Benefits & Obligations Contract. **Motion carried unanimously.**

2.4 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board consider accepting the Evaluation Team recommendation of the Terrestrial Compensatory Mitigation statements of qualifications deemed best qualified to continue in the procurement process and issue a request for proposal to the short-listed firms.

Ms. Forsythe presented the evaluation team's recommendation to shortlist firms for the Terrestrial Compensatory Mitigation procurement. She explained that the Board had previously authorized issuance of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for compensatory mitigation services covering terrestrial resources and wetlands. Staff received two Statements of Qualifications, from RES and Westervelt, and evaluated them in accordance with the criteria established in the RFQ. Based on the evaluation, staff recommended shortlisting both firms and authorizing issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP). Ms. Forsythe explained that the next phase would evaluate each firm's proposed mitigation approach, pricing, unit costs, and guaranteed maximum price for the mitigation work.

Board members asked whether either firm had represented itself as acting on behalf of the Sites Project in discussions with landowners. Ms. Forsythe responded that staff was not aware of any such instances and that, while both firms had been active in the marketplace exploring opportunities and speaking with landowners, staff had received no indication that either firm had misrepresented its role.

Mr. Kunde asked whether the firms' bonding and insurance capacity had been evaluated given the size of the anticipated work. Ms. Forsythe responded that both firms had demonstrated they met the minimum bonding and insurance qualifications and that those capabilities would be evaluated further during the RFP phase. Board members also discussed the scope of the future contract, including whether the selected contractor would assume long-term mitigation obligations, and staff explained that the RFP would further define the services, pricing, and contractual responsibilities before a contractor was selected.

ACTION RC: It was moved by Ms. Pryor, seconded by Mr. Plinski, to recommend approval of agenda item 2.4 to the Authority Board. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ACTION AB: It was moved by Director Evans, seconded by Director Roccucci, to approve agenda item 2.4. **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

3.1 Review and comment on the status update on Impact Alleviation Agreements with interested parties as identified in the County Development Agreements.

ED Brown provided an update on progress implementing the Impact Alleviation Agreements required under the development agreements with Glenn, Colusa, and Yolo counties. He explained that staff continues to coordinate with affected public agencies and is providing updates in accordance with prior Board direction before initiating agreements. He highlighted the completed independent study of potential impacts to the

Maxwell Unified School District, noting that while the study is complete, staff and the district have not yet reached agreement on the potential impacts. Staff requested Board feedback before continuing discussions with the district. He added that discussions with other agencies are ongoing as project planning continues to better define potential impacts.

Board members confirmed that Impact Alleviation Agreements are not conditions precedent to the project. Members also discussed the importance of continued coordination with local agencies as project planning identifies potential impacts, citing county road crossings over the GCID canal as an example of issues that should be resolved before agreements are finalized.

3.2 Comment on the Clean Water Act 401 Draft Permit ahead of the public comment period closing June 26 and provide Board direction on the key points of the Authority's comments.

Ms. Forsythe provided an update on the draft Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certification, explaining that the Section 401 certification is required to obtain the Section 404 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and that both permits are conditions precedent to Water Commission funding. She reported that the State Water Resources Control Board had released the draft permit for a 30-day public review period and that staff had developed four primary comments on the draft. The comments request: (1) defined review timelines for work package approvals, (2) removal of language tying construction to issuance of the water right permit because the two processes are governed by separate statutes, (3) clarification to rely on documentation already required under other permits rather than creating duplicative requirements, and (4) limiting the required wetland survey protocol to permittee-responsible mitigation projects rather than mitigation bank projects. Ms. Forsythe stated that, overall, staff believe the permit is workable and can be integrated into the project's overall permitting structure.

Board members asked clarifying questions regarding the draft permit. Ms. Forsythe explained that staff's comments were intended to improve permit implementation and scheduling while maintaining consistency with other regulatory requirements.

3.3 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board receive an update on the Participant Credit Reimbursement Liability and discussion of the proposed implementation approach for repayment and application of contributed credit balances.

Ms. O'Connell provided an informational update. She reviewed the history of the reimbursement policy, explaining that it was developed in 2016, approved by the Board in 2018, and has been updated periodically since. The Authority currently carries approximately $9 million liability on its financial statements for participant credits. Staff proposed recognizing and paying the liability when the project enters its initial financing phase, at which time participants would receive their credits as offsets against their initial invoices. Ms. O'Connell explained that this approach would true-up participant contributions based on current capacity interests and place all participants on an equivalent basis going forward.

Board members asked clarifying questions regarding the timing of reimbursements, the treatment of participants who have withdrawn from the project, and how credits would be applied to participants that remain in the project.

3.4 Receive an update on the Lower Colusa Basin Drain System conditions precedent to Investor Commitment.

Mr. Natoli provided an update on the six conditions precedent related to the Lower Colusa Basin Drain (Lower CBD), reporting that each item had been completed or was substantially complete. He advised that Letters of Mutual Understanding had been executed by three key agencies, with additional progress made toward agreements with other entities along the drain. Mr. Natoli explained that the Conveyance Capacity Technical Memorandum, which will be appended to the Program Baseline Report documents the scope, schedule, cost estimate, and modeled capacity for the Dunnigan pipeline contingency and the Lower CBD. He noted that itemized capital improvements for the Lower CBD are estimated at less than $10 million and would not materially affect the project budget. Annual operations and maintenance costs, water losses, and opportunity costs have been combined into a proposed conveyance capacity charge of $33 per acre-foot, which was reviewed by the Operations and Engineering Workgroup. He emphasized that the Lower CBD remains the baseline conveyance approach while additional monitoring, model calibration, and operational data will continue to inform future decisions regarding long-term operations.

Board members asked about the status of the Conveyance Capacity Technical Memorandum and the modeled capacity analyses for the GCID Canal, TCCA facilities, and the Lower CBD. Mr. Natoli responded that the technical memorandum was substantially complete and undergoing final review.

Board members also discussed the separation of one-time capital costs from ongoing operational costs and sought clarification on the proposed conveyance capacity charge. Staff explained that the charge reflects estimated annual operations and maintenance costs, water losses, and opportunity costs rather than capital improvements. Mr. Natoli further clarified that the current approach does not commit the project to permanent use of the Lower CBD but instead provides a framework for continued evaluation as additional operational data become available.

3.5 Provide Board feedback on the Authority's key terms of an Operations Agreement with Reclamation District 108 for the Lower Colusa Basin Drain system.

Prior to the presentation and discussion of item 3.5, Chair Durst and Mr. Navarrot exited the conference room.

Mr. Robinette presented the proposed framework for an operations agreement with RD 108 to support operation of the Lower Colusa Basin Drain. He explained that RD 108 has been a valuable partner in coordinating with local landowners and agencies and is well positioned to provide local operational support. The proposed agreement would include agency and stakeholder coordination, operational coordination, monitoring and metering support, and selected maintenance activities. Mr. Robinette noted that the agreement remains under development, with discussions continuing regarding responsibilities for operation of the Dunnigan Pipeline and coordination with other agencies.

Board members asked how the operations agreement would help reduce water losses and support project operations. Mr. Robinette explained that RD 108's primary role would be to assist with monitoring, measurement, and day-to-day operational coordination to help optimize project operations and ensure accurate accounting of project water, rather than directly reducing seepage losses. Members also asked whether the forthcoming technical memorandum would include figures in addition to tables, and staff confirmed that it would.

Chair Durst and Mr. Navarrot re-joined the meeting at 11:29am.

3.6 Provide Board feedback on the Authority's key terms of an Excess Capacity Agreement with Reclamation which is being publicly negotiated starting June 23, 2026.

ED Brown presented an overview of the Authority's proposed key terms for an Excess Capacity Agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation, noting that public negotiations had commenced on June 23. He explained that the agreement would establish the terms under which Reclamation could use excess capacity in the Sites Project and was intended to provide staff with Board direction before negotiations progressed further. ED Brown reviewed the proposed business terms, including cost recovery, operational responsibilities, allocation of risks, scheduling, and consistency with the Authority's existing participant agreements. He emphasized that the terms presented were intended as negotiating guidance rather than a final agreement.

Board members discussed the proposed negotiating framework and emphasized the importance of ensuring that project participants are protected, that Reclamation bears an equitable share of costs and responsibilities, and that any agreement remains consistent with the Authority's existing contractual framework. Members generally supported the proposed direction and provided feedback for staff to consider as negotiations continue.

3.7 Receive and comment on the updated conditions precedent quarterly status report.

ED Brown presented the quarterly update on the conditions precedent status report, highlighting recent progress toward satisfying the conditions required for investor commitment. He reviewed key milestones completed since the previous report, noted areas where work remains underway, and explained that the report reflects the current status of each condition precedent and anticipated completion schedule. ED Brown stated that the report is intended to keep the Board informed as the project continues advancing toward investor commitment.

Board members asked clarifying questions regarding the status and timing of several remaining conditions precedent and discussed the importance of maintaining progress on critical path items. Staff responded to questions regarding ongoing coordination with partner agencies and confirmed that the report would continue to be updated quarterly as work progresses.

4. Reports:

4.1 **Chairpersons' Reports**:

Reservoir Committee Chair Urkov stated that he had no reports. Chair Durst reported that he had continued to speak with Board members and member agency representatives to emphasize the importance of preparing for the upcoming investor commitment period. He acknowledged that work remains to be completed but stated that the project continues to make significant progress toward meeting its objectives.

4.2 **Committee & Workgroup Chairpersons' Reports:**

Mr. Kunde, Chair of the Operations and Engineering Workgroup stated that there was an Operations and Engineering Workgroup on June 10th in which the topic for discussion was Budgetary Considerations for Lower Colusa Basin Drain within the Baseline Report.

Vice Chair Sutton noted that there is a Legislative and Outreach Committee meeting on July 9, 2026.

Mr. Spesert reported that staff is planning a Landowner meeting in both Maxwell and Dunnigan in August.

4.3 **Authority Board & Reservoir Committee Participant Reports**:

No reports.

4.4 **Executive Director's Reports**:

ED Brown reported that Glenn County will continue as an associate member through the remainder of the year after determining it could not continue at the full member level under the Authority's payment plan. He also reported that the California Water Commission unanimously approved an additional $269 million in Proposition 1 funding for the project, bringing the total award to approximately 1.3 billion. ED Brown noted that the Commission expressed strong support for the project while thoroughly reviewing the Contracts for Administration of Public Benefits which are currently undergoing public review. He concluded by reporting that Yolo County had approved the Development Agreement.

5. CLOSED SESSION: 11:55 AM

5.1 Water Right Application 25517X01 (Govt. Code §54956.9(c) and §54956.9(d)(1)).

6. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION: 12:45 PM

Counsel Doud reported that no action was taken in closed session.

7. DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION ITEMS: 1:00 PM

7.1 Receive a status update on the Facilities Use Agreements with Glenn Colusa Irrigation District and Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority.

7.2 Receive and comment on the final draft of the Benefits & Obligations Contract, updated Bylaws, amended and restated Joint Powers Agreement, and Operations Plan, incorporating the direction provided at the May 8 workshop. Confirm that these Final Drafts are ready to proceed to be executed by the Sites Authority.

Following the closed session report and a brief break, Chair Durst reconvened the meeting in open session and proceeded to item 7.1 and 7.2. Chair Durst announced that the remaining agenda items would be taken out of order to facilitate discussion based on feedback received following publication of the agenda.

During this portion of the meeting, items 7.1 and 7.2 were discussed. Key issues identified by Participants since posting the June 26, 2026, staff reports were reviewed. Board members, legal counsel, and staff engaged in discussion regarding the identified issues, asked clarifying questions and engaged in general deliberation related to the topics addressed.

Vice Chair Sutton left the conference room during discussion of item 7.1 at 2:40 p.m. and returned to the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

Reservoir Committee Chair Urkov left the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Ms. Traynham left the meeting at 3:43 p.m.

Mr. Holley left the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

Vice Chair Sutton left the conference room at 4:23 p.m. and returned at 4:48 p.m., during discussion of the last of the five open issues from the June 26, 2026, staff reports.

Staff summarized the direction provided by the Board regarding each issue. A summary of the direction received during this portion of the meeting is attached as **Attachment A.**

ED Brown then announced that the Hearing Officer had issued a supplemental hearing notice revising the Sites Water Right schedule. He reported that the revised draft permit is expected to be issued on or about September 3, 2026, followed by a 30-day public comment period, with State Water Resources Control Board consideration anticipated on November 2 or 3, 2026. He also noted that the supplemental hearing is scheduled for July 24, 2026.

8. **Recap:**

8.1 Suggested Future Agenda Items.

None.

8.2 Upcoming Meetings:

Reservoir Committee & Authority Board
July 24, 2026 (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)

Maxwell Project Office & Virtual

Chair Durst adjourned the Reservoir Committee and Authority Board Meeting at 4:51PM.

Fritz Durst

Fritz Durst, Authority Board Chair

Mike Urkov, Reservoir Committee Chair

Wendy Ambriz

Wendy Ambriz, Board Clerk

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Meeting: **Reservoir Committee & Authority Board's** **Jun 26, 2026**

Subject: **Benefits & Obligations Contract Workshop**

Direction Received:

This document is a live workshop capture tool used to record participant direction on each discussion item where there is general consensus. It is intended to provide a clear, contemporaneous record of the group's agreed path forward and the key points underlying that consensus for incorporation into subsequent revisions and next steps. Staff report references are from the June 26, 2026 Reservoir Committee and Authority Board meeting posted materials.

Key issues identified by Participants since posting the June 26, 2026 staff reports.

- Governance (Item 7.2)
    - Change "this Contract" to "The Delegation" in Section 15. Define "The Delegation" in the contract as it is derived from the JPA and Bylaws. Attorneys to confirm language and retain severability. Attorneys to also check the 7 or so cross-references.
- Secondary Point of Delivery (Item 7.2)
    - Revert to original language from Authority obligation ending at Funks or TRR to Funks, TRR, or the confluence with the Sacramento River. These (Funks, TRR, or confluence…) are the "Point of Delivery" for Participants, and will be listed in the table in the B&O.
    - Better define the Authority's responsibilities to the Secondary Point of Delivery.
    - For losses in Downstream Facilities that are not "Reasonable (4.6.5)", water losses (AF) will be allocated to Participants holding Downstream Capacity and the Sites Authority will protect the water right and pursue actions to mitigate losses, seek remedy, and/or prevent future losses.
    - Revise 12.3.3 in the Bylaws to include enforcement of the Water Right being a 75% shared decision that is not considered litigation.
- Partner Facilities (Item 7.1), focused on what is in the B&O
    - Add recital(s) or other language indicating that the Facility Partners acknowledge the studies in the Conveyance Capacity TM (confirm

references historic and projected uses), which is appended to the Baseline Report. the Partners are committing to efforts to achieve these capacities at a second priority (or as described in the FUA relative to existing obligations) and work together to mitigate if not achieved. This recital can only be added to the B&O if it is found consistent with the FUA's as negotiated.

  - Confirm "Other Water" can be moved under FUAs.

5 open issues from June 26, 2026 staff report language in black, notes from meeting in red.

- Operational Guarantees: Participants requested that the B&O Contract specify flow quantities, delivery timelines, and more explicit operational commitments to maximize water diversions to ensure modeled baseline project benefits are met. There is concern that putting rigid operational metrics into the contract could create enforceable obligations that increase risk exposure for Participants which ultimately puts all Participants at risk of claims. Board direction is needed on whether to specify these guarantees or, instead, describe operational goals, benchmarks and example calculations in a future iteration of the Operations Plan.
  - OK for today

- Super-Priority for Sites Water: Certain Participants propose that moving *Sites Water* through downstream facilities should always take priority over the conveyance of *Other Water*. This proposal would represent a departure from the current priority framework, under which Downstream Capacity Interest holders retain first priority access to available capacity regardless of water type. Board direction is needed on whether to reaffirm that downstream conveyance priority belongs to capacity right holders, or to defer prioritization contract terms until "Other Water" storage is officially requested and permitted in the future.
  - Continue with the ownership principle that Participants own their downstream capacity and can convey water, Sites Water or "Other".

- Handle any prioritization in the Operations Plan to allow for flexibility in the future and the facts surrounding "Other Water" in the future.
- Confirm "full pipe" concept is still covered and clear. Owner can use, lease, or the unused capacity defaults back to the family.

- Dedicated Central Valley Project / State Water Project Exchange Sections: Participants request contract language guaranteeing water exchanges with the Central Valley Project (CVP) and State Water Project (SWP) will be implemented by the Authority. While exchanges are addressed within the existing Section 8 and Appendix 9, this request appears to reflect a structural and stylistic preference rather than a policy conflict. Board direction is needed on addressing the requested change. Staff would recommend the text, if incorporated, clearly assigns all associated costs, regulatory approvals, and localized operational risks of the specific exchanges to the requesting Participant(s).
  - Exchange ability can only be guaranteed by other Parties, but the Authority will take action to facilitate the request if deemed viable.
    - 8.3 is ok in principle
    - 8.4 needs to be confirmed with the above principle
- Procedural Exhibits: Participants request that detailed mathematical examples or visual exhibits be added to the contract appendixes to clearly illustrate how complex formulas—such as pro-rata capacity trimming and default reallocations—would operate in real-world scenarios. Board direction is needed on whether to develop a formal, separate administrative document (such as a future Board-approved whitepaper or policy resolution) to define these calculations for the official record rather than embedding them into the contract body.
  - OK, develop examples and find the appropriate place to put them (ops plan, B&O, policy).
  - Example calculations needed to be submitted by July 3rd, led by Maureen and Eric.

- Opt-Out Discretion: Participants request more explicit discretion to "opt out" of receiving project water diversions into their designated storage allocations. The Contract currently includes provisions addressing this concept though some Participants seek additional clarity and discretion. Board direction is needed on whether to include additional opt-out discretion. If implemented, Staff would suggest this be paired with a mandatory "meet and confer" process if the decision to opt out is determined to have a negative impact on the project's broader water rights.
    - Process for this in the ops plan (3.6.2) covering meet and confer process and encouraging maximizing diversions.
    - Should confirm consistency for “full pipe” approach for Downstream (not going as far as making it mandatory).
- Indemnity: Participants request that when the Authority delegates decision-making powers to the Reservoir Management Board, the RMB members should be provided with formal indemnity covering their actions. Because any such indemnity would ultimately be funded collectively through the Authority, Board direction is needed on whether the current contract structure already provides sufficient protection through existing liability and risk allocation provisions, or whether additional RMB-specific indemnity protections are warranted.
    - Follow-up individually
- Good Industry Practice and consistency with draft Facilities Use Agreements (discussed under Agenda Item 07-02).
    - Reasonable to work to define the level of service, if the Sites Authority wants increased service, the Sites Authority will pay. Work to document the existing standard (consider a condition assessment, outlining principles, review of SOPs).
    - Review different uses of Good Industry Practice, Best Efforts, Commercially Reasonable, and confirm consistency.

Reservoir Committee's Roll Call June 26, 2026

Agenda Item 1.1, Attachment B 9:00 AM – 4:30PM

Current Voting Committee Participants (22):

	%	*Participant*		%	*Participant*
☒	3.47	American Canyon, City	☐	2.57	LaGrande WD
☐	2.42	Antelope Valley-East Kern WA	☒	17.29	Metropolitan WD
☒	5.28	Coachella Valley WD	☒	3.47	Reclamation District 108
☒	5.28	Colusa County	☐	2.42	Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
☒	5.05	Colusa County WD	☒	8.70	San Bernardino Valley MWD
☒	2.41	Cortina WD (1)	☒	6.48	San Gorgonio Pass WA
☒	2.87	Davis WD	☒	2.42	Santa Clara Valley WD
☒	4.22	Desert WA	☒	3.77	Santa Clarita Valley WA
☒	3.17	Dunnigan WD	☒	3.89	Westside WD
☒	3.77	Glenn-Colusa ID	☒	3.19	Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD
☒	2.57	Irvine Ranch WD	☒	5.28	Zone 7 WA
				100.00	Total

19 Voting members represented at the start of the meeting
92.59% Represented participation percentage.

Representation has been delegated as follows:

(1) Proxy to Jamie Traynham, Davis WD

(‡) Not present after ________

Current Voting Authority Board (9)		Primary		Alternate
Colusa County	☒	Gary Evans	☒	Randy Wilson
Colusa County Water District	☐	Joe Marsh	☐ ☒	Hal Charter Shelly Murphy
Glenn County	☒	Tony Arendt	☐	Jim Yoder
Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District	☒	Jeff Sutton	☐	Logan Dennis
Reclamation District 108	☒	Fritz Durst	☐ ☐	Sean Doherty Hilary Reinhard
Placer County Water Agency/City of Roseville	☒	Pauline Roccucci	☐	TBD
Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority	☐	Bill Vanderwaal	☒ ☐	Jim Jones Zack Dennis
City of Sacramento/Sacramento County	☒	Lisa Kaplan	☐ ☐	Anne Sangar Brett Ewart
Westside Water District	☒	Doug Parker	☐ ☐	Zach Dennis Allen Myers

Associate Members (non-voting)		Primary		Alternate
Western Canal Water District	☐	Greg Johnson	☒ ☐	Ted Trimble Jenny Scheer
Zone 3	☒	Mike Urkov	☐	Jamie Traynham

Non-Voting Committee Participants (2)		Primary		Alternate/Other
Department of Water Resources	☒	David Gordon	☐	Lincoln King
Bureau of Reclamation	☐ ☒	Scott Taylor Allison Jacobson	☒	Jesse Sikora

Current Voting Reservoir Committee (22)		Primary		Alternate
American Canyon, City	☒	Jason Holley	☐	
Antelope Valley-East Kern WA	☐	Matt Knudson	☐	
Coachella Valley Water District	☐	Robert Cheng	☒	Petya Vasileva
Colusa County	☒	Mike Azevedo	☐	Daurice Kalfsbeek Smith
Colusa County Water District	☐	Halbert Charter	☒	Shelly Murphy
Cortina Water District	☐	Jim Peterson	☐ ☒	Chuck Grimmer Jamie Traynham
Davis Water District	☒	Jamie Traynham	☐	Tom Charter
Desert Water Agency	☐	Esther Saenz	☒	David Tate

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Dunnigan Water District	☒	Jordon Navarrot	☐	
RD 108	☒	Jordon Navarrot	☒	Lewis Bair
Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District	☐	Logan Dennis	☒	Louis Jarvis
Irvine Ranch Water District	☒	Paul Weghorst	☒	Robert Huang
LaGrande Water District	☐	Zach Dennis	☐	
Metropolitan Water District	☐	Randall Neudeck	☐ ☒	Nina Hawk Sam Smalls
Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water District	☐	Trent Taylor	☐	Dan Bartel
San Bernardino Valley Water District	☒	Michael Plinski	☐	Heather Dyer
San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency	☒	Lance Eckhart	☐ ☒	Jennifer Ustation Emmett Campbell
Santa Clara Valley Water District	☒	Katherine Maher	☒	Cindy Kao
Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency	☐	Steve Cole	☒	Ali Elhassan
Westside Water District	☐	Allen Myers	☒	Mike Urkov
Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa Water Storage District	☒	Rob Kunde	☐ ☒	Sheridan Nicholas Eric McDaris
Zone 7 Water Agency	☒	Valerie Pryor	☐	Lillian Xie

Authority Shared Seats		**Primary**		**Alternate**
Roseville	☐ ☐	George Hanson Joshua Alpine	☐ ☐	Sean Bigley Darin Reintjes
Sacramento County	☐	Kerry Schmitz	☐	

Sites Project Authority:

☒	Jerry Brown	☒	Ali Forsythe	☒	Kevin Spesert	☒	JP Robinette	☒	Shayleen O'Connell	☒	Wendy Ambriz	☒	Alan Doud
☐	Marcia Kivett	☒	Kyle Hughes	☒	Rob Natoli	☒	Mario Manzo	☒	Conner McDonald	☐	Sarah Hodge		

Members of the Public

Name	*Representing*	*Name*	*Representing*
Dina Hunt	GFT	David Haywood	GFT
Jamie Kolkey	Black & Veatch	Bill Sutter	Barnard Construction
Ryan E.	Barnard Construction	Jason Hernnan	Barnard Construction

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Sean K.	Barnard Construction	Brian Bunch	Barnard Construction
Kirsten Montejano	County Resident	Ayoub Antabeel	MWH
Jeff Nelson	Parsons	Bryce Moore	Blackburn Consulting
Adrian Inguanzo	Teamsters Local 137	Casey Tull	Operating Engineers
Jesse Johnson	Operating Engineers	Chuck Adamson	Operating Engineers
Stephen Peterson	City of Roseville	Masood Mesbah	Kleinfelder
Eric Strother	Kleinfelder	Ben Crawford	Crawford & Assoc
J.P. Davis	West Yost		

Virtual Attendance

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Wendy Ambriz
Jerry Brown
Shayleen O'Connell
JP Robinette
Magda McConihe (External)
15304546811 (Unverified)
Conference
Mariel Attento Rhorer (External)
Juleah Cordi
Robert Huang (External)
Fritz Durst, RD108 (Unverified)
14088920977 (Unverified)
Anthony.Middleton
Joseph Sullivan (External)
Pamela Katleba-Jenkins Westside Water
Shelly Murphy (Unverified)
Xzandrea Fowler
Kanetis, Nick
Brian Nash (External)
Louis Jarvis (External)
Sara M. Katz (External)
Sikora, Jessica L (External)
Phil Brun (External)
Cooke, Robert@DWR (External)
Andrew Berselli (External)
Rivera, Itzia@DWR (External)
Luu, Henry (External)
Robins, Rhonda (External)
Petya Vasileva
Fireflies.ai Notetaker Ricky Kahlon (Unverified
Dawson, Elizabeth (External)
Alan Boyce (External)
Peterson, Stephen
David Tate (External)
Hirzallah, Eyad (External)
Brannum, Jacob D (External)
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Alcott, Derrick@Wildlife
Deaver, Katerina@DWR (External)
Michael DeMascio (Unverified)
Whittington, Chad
Jacobson, Allison M (External)
Ali Elhassan (External)
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Ohlin, Wayne
Davis-Fadtke, Kristal@Wildlife
Gordon, David@DWR (External)
Hal Holland (Unverified)
Pryor, Valerie (External)
Summer Shadley (External)
Michael Plinski (External)
Tom Jacoubowsky
Paul Bews (External)
Stephanie Parsons (External)
Bradshaw,Dee (External)
Marcus Maltby (External)
Chandra Chilmakuri (External)
Nico Regino (External)
Taylor, Scott D (External)
Lewis Bair (External)
Alexander, Jeriann (External)
Brian Kirwan (External)
Arsenijevic, Jelica (External)
Mickey Nixon (External)
Eric.Patterson1
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Micko,Steve (External)
Newens, Richard (External)
Dina Hunt (External)
Steven Abbott (External)
Gobel, Jordan (External)
Fritz Durst, RD108 (Unverified)
Eric (Unverified)
Foley,Sarah C (External)
Grace Lui
Ryan Shaw
Eric McDaris (External)
Stout, Holly@DWR (External)
Mike Fuller
Barrett, Leslie (External)
Martin,Maureen A (External)
Andrew Gschwind (External)
Nico Chapman (Unverified)
Alexis Stevens (External)
Fritz Durst, RD108 (Unverified)
Molly R. Mattison
Robert Larkins
Thomas S. Bunn (External)
Mike Azevedo (Unverified)
Charles Gardiner (External)
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Elizabeth L. Cousins
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Katherine Maher (External)
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