

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Reclamation District No. 341
Sherman Island

9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, August 11, 2026

306 Second Street
Isleton, California

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Trustee Rob Black called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Jesse Barton conducted the meeting. In an effort to control the discussion, the Board will speak, followed by District staff and employees, and the public will have the final opportunity. He called roll call.

Present: Trustees: Rob Black and Ceci Giacomini; District Attorney: Jesse Barton;
Accountant: Perla Tzintzun-Garibay; Engineer: Julianna Galindo and Martin Berber; District Manager: Morgan Johnson; District Superintendent: Joel McElroy; DWR: David Julian and Shaun Rohrer; Landowner: Steve Case and Jamie Renwick; District Secretary: Cindy Hill

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

Morgan reported there are issues with the Whale's Mouth siphons. This will be discussed under the SMFA agenda item.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the meeting on July 14, 2026. Ceci said Riordan's name on the attendee section needs to be corrected and the word muscle under the Subsidence Mitigation Funding Agreement item should be mussel. It was MSP (Ceci Giacomini/Rob Black) to approve the meeting minutes of July 14, 2026, with corrections. This passed 2-0 - absent.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND RECEIVABLE

Perla Tzintzun-Garibay provided the financial update for August 11, 2026. See attached financial reports for details. Perla said this month the District will pay down \$325,000 in warrant debt and interest in the amount of \$5,210.43 (Warrants 4580-4592). Perla reported we are reissuing the check to SDRMA as the District received a phone call from Navy Federal Credit Union that someone had changed the payee (they washed the check with another name). The check was not paid. The Bank put a hold on the account until they could implement Positive Pay – from now on anytime the District issues a check we will upload the information to the Bank so that when the check comes through it will be verified for

payment or declined if there are any differences in the check issued. Morgan asked about the PG&E invoice. Perla said the PG&E bills come in after the reports are drafted – she said that she sends a copy of the bill to Joel each month for review. Perla sent the financials to the Board prior to the meeting for their review and Rob Black signed off on the invoices. It was MSP (Ceci Giacoma/Rob Black) to approve August 11, 2026, accounts payable, invoices, and transfers. This passed 2-0, 1 absent.

ASSESSMENT NO 30 AND ASSESSMENT 2

Perla reported ongoing collection. She said that she submitted the paperwork to create an account with Sacramento County for their direct levy system – they advised her that access has been granted to the District. She said we have until the end of this month to submit the delinquencies. Perla said it is approximately \$8,200. Jesse reported on the Caltrans delinquency. He said he contacted the attorney that he worked with on the last lawsuit on a different District. Jesse said he has been responsive to his demand for payment. Jesse said he will dispute some of the changes. He told the attorney he needs to file a claim to the Board of Control the first week of September to pursue the outstanding due, so he will need a response by that time.

DRAFT BUDGET

Perla reported she distributed the draft of the budget at the last meeting. She has not received any comments from the Board. She recommends approval. This is a working document. It was MSP (Ceci Giacoma/Rob Black) to approve the draft budget. This passed 2-0, 1 absent.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT - ENGAGEMENT LETTER FROM CROCE, SANGUINETTI & VANDER VEEN

Perla said she received the annual engagement letter from Croce, Sanguinetti & Vander Veen. They perform the audit of the District accounts and the Special District report. She said it is standard language. The fee went up 6% - she said this appears to be consistent to what she sees in the market. She said the fee is between \$8,100 and \$8,500 (last year it was \$8,000). The cost of the Special District report is \$600. She said she is familiar with this firm, and they have done a good job in the past. The firm is also familiar with the District. It was MSP (Rob Black/Ceci Giacoma) to approve the Independent Audit Engagement Letter with Croce, Sanguinetti and Vander Veen. This passed 2-0, 1 absent.

RECIRCULATION PUMPS

Julianna reported W&B has been coordinating with PG&E on the review of the maps of the existing PG&E power poles. She said they developed a preliminary map of the existing overhead power lines. Julianna said W&B identified locations with incomplete or missing utility information and requested that PG&E provide additional mapping information for those locations. She provided an exhibit showing the locations of the two recirculation pumps currently proposed under the SMFA, as well as two additional potential locations that the District could use to recharge irrigation facilities. Julianna said that one potential location is just downstream of the Whale's Mouth in the No. 3 Canal. She said there is existing power available and drain water could be discharged into Mayberry Slough. Julianna said a second potential location is the No. 3 Canal, which drains the Highway 160

Scour Lake, and which passes underneath the Irrigation Canal. She said this location does not currently have power nearby and would require either new overhead service, including PG&E easements, or an underground service line that could be installed by the District within the banks of the Irrigation Canal. Jesse said the right-of-way easement or right to install would be important to consider. Morgan said the pump close to Whale's Mouth is a high lift to get it into Mayberry Slough. He said that if the water was put back into Whale's Mouth it would save money. He said in addition it does not connect to the irrigation canal without building an additional siphon. He said there are 3 there – but they are all rotted. David Julian said he is more inclined to focus on the northern location (the one around the irrigation canal that does not have power). Julianna said these are additional locations besides the Whale's Belly that they are looking at for recirculation pumps. All those easements are DWR properties. Jesse said we need to find out who owns the closest properties to that area and the most likely path for electrical services.

Julianna reported that Laurel Ag provided a cost proposal in the amount of \$29,055.00 to design a recirculation pump for the Whale's Belly. This will be paid for by the SMFA per David Julian. The scope includes the following:

- Design of the electrical service, pump, pump intake, pump discharge, and platform structure.
- PG&E service application.
- Alternatives analysis for using a 12-inch discharge pipeline at 1,800 gpm, a 15-inch discharge pipeline at 2,800 gpm, and up to an 18-inch discharge pipeline at 4,000 gpm.
- Deep foundations for the pump structure will be designed by W&B and our geotechnical subconsultant.

It was MSP (Rob Black/Ceci Giacoma) to approve the proposal from Laurel Ag for the design of a recirculation pump for Whale's Belly. It passed 2-0, 1 absent.

BLACKBERRY MASTICATION

Morgan reported they are spraying to keep the blackberries down. He said it has also been mowed. Julianna said there are no other updates.

PG&E BIRDS LANDING

Julianna reported that PG&E informed us that the nesting bird issues have been cleared up. She said they are looking for a new contractor to complete the work. They plan to complete the removal prior to October. Julianna said PG&E is preparing an agreement transferring ownership of the chain link fence to the District. This fence was installed in between the tower and the Fish Release. Morgan said the chain link fence will stay in place.

PUMP NO. 3

Julianna reported on Pump No. 3.

- Trash Rack
 - The Invitation to Bid was posted on July 20, 2026. The bid opening is set for 10:00 a.m. on September 1, 2026. A pre-bid site review will be held on August 18, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.
 - As of this date, ten contractors have expressed interest in the project.

- Pump House
 - Mead & Hunt is beginning design of the new pump house. They are also preparing an amendment proposal to include a cathodic protection system, as requested by the Board. The bid documents for the pump house are scheduled to be completed in spring 2027.
 - Shannon & Wilson is finalizing the additional geotechnical analysis performed to support design of the piles that will support the future discharge pipelines. This additional geotechnical analysis was approved by the Board at the May 2026 meeting

DECEMBER 2024 SACRAMENTO RIVER EROSION EMERGENCY REPAIRS

Julianna reported that a Nationwide Permit (NWP) package was submitted to the USACE . She said the District received a letter from USACE indicating that review of the NWP is on hold until a Section 401 Water Quality Certification (401 WQC) request has been submitted to the Regional Water Board. Julianna said due to the total linear footage of repairs below the High Tide Line being 572 LF, the District would need to apply for an individual 401 WQC. Jesse said this has caught the attention of the Corps and the Flood Protection Board. He said this should be exempt from the 404 as it was an emergency, however the District had to seek funds for this work. He said the Corps is insisting the District get an after-the-fact permit for the 404 which means now the District also needs a 401 permit. He said we could push back and cite the exemption. The District did sign the Tolling Agreement. Rob asked what the implication is of the 401 – is there potential mitigation? Jesse said yes and expense. Julianna said all we did was restore the area to what it was previously – which was entirely riprap. No permanent habitat impacts occurred. Morgan said that the Army Corps has done work on this levee in the past. Julianna said we did make it clear that we put the site back to the way it was. Rob asked if we are setting a precedent if we don't push back. Jesse said there is not a binding precedent, but we could reply with the District position that they are acting contrary to their regulations by asking for this. The consensus is to move forward with the permits.

ENCROACHMENT PERMITS

No. 2025-3 (HWY 160 Broadband) –Julianna reported W&B provided comments on the 3 separate application packages – they were broken down into the three areas. She said they had asked for more details including the elevations. We are waiting to hear back.

No. 2026-2 (Sherman Island Marina Gates) – Julianna said we have not had any updates. Jesse asked if they dropped it. She said they have not heard anything – the last he heard they were working on designs.

DWR “SUBSIDENCE MITIGATION FUNDING AGREEMENT” – AGREEMENT TO BUILD SEVERAL HUNDRED ACRES OF WETLAND IN THE WESTERN AND CENTRAL PORTION OF THE ISLAND IN AN EFFORT TO REVERSE SUBSIDENCE, SEQUESTER CARBON, AND REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASES.

Morgan said the siphons are not working. He thinks it might have something to do with the fish screens. David said the Delta Field Division needs to look at the screens. He said he has

a coordination meeting set on this. David said this will interrupt the water supply. Morgan said the vegetation around this area is heavy. He said he is concerned with the stagnant water due to the heat and water not running.

- Whale's Belly - Julianna reported they have been fixing the siphons on Whale's Belly.
 - Unit 1C Siphon Repair
 - The Pre-Bid Site review was held on July 28, 2026. Laurel Ag & Water and Asta Construction were in attendance.
 - The bid opening was held on August 4, 2026. Asta Construction was the lone bidder with a bid of \$72,013.00; Engineer's Estimate was \$62,500. David Julian said this will be covered by the SMFA. David said he is ok with the bid.
 - A Notice of Award has been prepared for the Board's consideration.

An encroachment permit is not needed as they are just making repairs. It was MSP (Rob Black/Ceci Giacomini) to approve the pipe repair. This passed 2-0, 1 absent.

- Borrow Site Development – there is no update
- Wetland Operations Plan – there is no update
- Whale's Mouth – there is no update
- Whale's Spout – David reported that DU is working on the design under a private grant. He said they have developed the permits and DWR is ready to sign the Permits. Jesse said he reviewed the permits. David said that the siphons and fish screen design and permitting needs to be done, which has put this on hold as we do not have funding for this. David said he is looking for funding.
- Mayberry Slough Dam Siphons – there is no update.

PROJECT FUNDING AGREEMENT SH 17-1.2 SP - PHASE 1 OF SAN JOAQUIN SETBACK LEVEE/HABITAT BENCH MULTI-BENEFIT PROJECT (STATIONS 175-199)

Julianna reported that W&B met with Mr. Case in the field to discuss potential locations for the power pole alignment.

- The following are concerns from Mr. Case regarding proposed power poles on the western border of his property:
 - The recently constructed pool limits potential pole locations near the residence.
 - Soft soil conditions away from the levee could make pole installation and future maintenance difficult.
 - The proposed power poles would affect views of the island interior and Mt. Diablo.
 - Relocating the poles to the western property boundary may be acceptable to the landowner; however, PG&E's requirement that poles be centered within a 30-foot easement is not acceptable to the landowner.
 - A 30-foot easement and all-weather access road through the grassy portion of the property would affect an area currently used for family recreation and is not acceptable.

Julianna said the temporary power pole relocation alternatives are currently being evaluated.

She said project limits and levee toe will be staked in the field to provide all affected landowners with a clear representation of the limits of the proposed setback levee. W&B inquired with DWR's Delta Levees Special Projects Program regarding the possibility of shifting the Project to a different station due to the powerline relocation issues. DWR confirmed that relocating the Project is not permitted under the existing PFA. Jesse said the best course of action is to go back to the State and ask them about using DWR property and pay them for the easement rights. Ceci asked why PG&E cannot put them underground. Julianna said an easement would still be required, and it may cost more. Julianna said the ground out there is pretty saturated. Martin said that Mr. Case currently has overhead service, and this would require Mr. Case to have underground service. Martin said an issue with burying the line would be Mr. Case will have to obtain building permits for the underground service. Jesse said they need to go back to DWR and ask again to have the power poles relocated to State property. Rob said the ultimate goal is to increase the resilience of the levee. Mr. Case said the setback for the emergency to unload the barges should not be an issue as the poles are near the toe now.

PROJECT FUNDING AGREEMENT SH-24-1.0 SP (SJR MULTI-BENEFIT PROJECT, (STATIONS 330+00 – 368+00))

Jesse said CDFW has objections to construction being rolled into a planning PFA, so DWR has agreed to issue a construction PFA for the design and placement of the new power poles. Rob asked if this is the one that the contract is about to expire. Julianna and Martin will look into the contract time frames. Jesse said the Board needs to approve a resolution to seek funding for this. Julianna said this will remain at the 89% cost share. It was MSP (Ceci Giacomini/Rob Black) to approve seeking additional funds for power pole alignment. This passed 2-0, 1 absent.

Julianna reported that the Public Draft IS/MND was distributed on July 15, 2026, initiating the 30-day public review period through August 14, 2026. The Final IS/MND and Notice of Determination are scheduled to be considered for approval by the Board at the September meeting. She said they received comments from the following:

- California Geologic Energy Management Division (CalGEM) – W&B confirmed the Project will not affect any existing wells.
- Delta Stewardship Council – Julianna said they were aware of this and that W&B will be seeking a certification with consistency with the council –.

Julianna said W&B is also working on reviewing the Draft Enhancement Plan.

ENGINEERS REPORT

Julianna reported:

- Levee Seepage – Julianna reported the seepage at Station 704+50 within the County road continues to seep while the seepage at Station 885+00 has dried up. They will continue to monitor the areas.
- PG&E Gas Line Vegetation Control - No update; waiting on schedule from PG&E.
- Pump No. 5 PG&E kWh Analysis - Work is ongoing.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Joel reported they have been mowing the habitat. Dental Rentals has been cleaning the canals. He will be getting into a lot of berries, which will be a bigger task as he will have to clear the berries to clean the ditch. Joel said they are replacing the crossing – he said we have the new pipe once it is cleaned. He said the butterfly valve at the horseshoe siphon is rotten – it is on the “fix” list. Joel said the pump test will be done on #5 tomorrow. Joel said Delta Field should come out and fix the fence in the Baja area. He said they are still having issues with Myron’s ditches. Morgan said the tenants are not taking care of blackberries which is causing issues. Joel said Carter is going out for surgery so he will not be available for a while. Jesse gave an update on the man who called about the broken van window – Jesse asked for an invoice from the man. He has not responded to Jesse. Joel said there has been a lot of garbage dumping on Caltrans property.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the public meeting was adjourned at 10:43 A.M.

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The presiding Trustee of the August 11 2026 meeting hereby certifies that the above minutes were approved as read.