

**Minutes of Meeting
Held
June 5, 2025**

President Dennis called the meeting of the Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District Board of Directors to order at 9:00 a.m. with the flag salute. The meeting was held at the Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District Board Room, 344 East Laurel Street, Willows, California.

Present:

Logan Dennis, President, Division 3
Peter Knight, Vice-President, Division 1
John Amaro, Division 2
Donald R. Bransford, Division 4

Absent:

Kelly Ornbaun, Division 5

Staff Present:

Jeffrey P. Sutton, General Manager
Louis Jarvis, Finance Director
Jeremy Richardson, Maintenance Superintendent
Ed Henderson, Water Operations Superintendent
Jake Hancock, Assistant Water Operations Superintendent
Chris Privitera, Interim District Engineer
Karen Alves, Administrative Services Manager
Mary Spooner, Office Specialist
Andrew Hitchings, Somach, Simmons & Dunn (via teleconference)

Others Present:

Tim Sanchez, Water User
Mike Lux, Water User
John Cecil, Water User
Les Marsh, Water User
Nick Edsall, WaterWrights (via teleconference)

Public Participation

Landowner John Cecil reported receiving a letter from Reclamation District 108 stating it will be reducing water costs in response to the low commodity prices. Mr. Cecil requested that the GCID Board of Directors consider discussing a similar cost reduction for GCID water users.

CONSENT AGENDA

Authorize Payment of Claims

Director Amaro moved to approve the payment of claims #25 17610 through #25 17650 in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand, Seven Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Fifty-Six Cents (\$125,765.34), claims #25 00106 through #25 00108 in the amount of Fifty-Five Thousand, One Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars and Fifty-Six Cents (\$55,178.56), claims #25 09596 through #25 09611 in the amount of Two Thousand, Six Hundred Forty-Two Dollars and Sixty-Two Cents (\$2,642.62) and approve the May 22, 2025, meeting minutes. Director Knight seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Dennis, Knight, Amaro and Bransford

Absent: Director Ornbaun

BUSINESS ITEMS

Review and Consider Approval of Mid-Year Budget Revisions for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Finance Director Louis Jarvis presented the draft 2024-2025 mid-year budget, which includes revisions to align certain budget items with actual costs. He noted that each department has identified any significant unbudgeted expenditures anticipated for the remainder of the fiscal year, to be considered for inclusion in the revised budget. Finance Director Jarvis reported that the Budget Subcommittee met on May 22, 2025, to review the proposed revisions and recommends approval.

Director Bransford moved to approve the Mid-Year Budget Revisions for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Director Amaro seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Dennis, Knight, Amaro and Bransford

Absent: Director Ornbaun

Discuss and Consider Colusa County Groundwater Authority's Long Term Fee Schedule Proposal

General Manager Sutton reported that the Colusa Groundwater Authority (CGA) is developing a proposed long-term fee schedule under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The fee is intended to fund CGA's administrative, operational and implementation activities and will be considered for adoption by the CGA to approve submitting the proposal to proceed pursuant to the 218 election protocol.

The Board provided direction to General Manager Sutton concerning the proposed CGA fee structure supporting Alternative 3, which added a fourth funding category to the proposal (surface water added to the three existing categories -non-irrigable, groundwater only, and mixed use).

ADMINISTRATION

Department Reports

Water

Water Operations Superintendent Ed Henderson reported on the following: Shasta storage at 4.18 million acre-feet; Keswick releases at 10,327 cubic feet per second (cfs); Main Pump Station at 2,000 cfs; rice flood-up is 100% complete. A meeting has been scheduled for June 25, 2025, to meet with landowners and water users who will be affected during the Lurline Check Replacement Project; the parts to repair the Davis Weir have arrived and is scheduled for repair this fall when water use is low.

Water Operations Superintendent Henderson also reported that the FBI has arrested the person responsible for the Robbinhood Ransomware extortion scheme which affected the SCADA System in 2023.

Maintenance

Maintenance Superintendent Jeremy Richardson reported on the following: removal of the Fish Guidance Structure; Intake Channel Dredge Project completion report; aquatics removal from Davis Weir to Lift 1; raking aquatics from laterals and drains; mowing, spraying and

grading ongoing. GCID has been certified to hold crane operator recertification class and testing on GCID premises.

Engineering

Interim District Engineer Chris Privitera reported on the following: Lurline Project planning progress; RemoteTracker data collection efforts; Private Lateral Easement Acquisitions update; Lateral 51-1 planning; Cortina Creek Siphon replacement; GIS Infrastructure; and River Surveyor Hypack Training.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Board Member Report

Director Bransford reported he attended the Sacramento River Settlement Contractors meeting, the Shasta Managers Task Force meeting and the Northern California Water Association board meeting.

Committee Reports

General Manager Sutton reported on upcoming committee meetings, including Labor Committee, Operations and Maintenance Committee, and the Ad Hoc Event Planning Committee.

General Manager's Report

General Manager Sutton reported on the following: Colusa Groundwater Authority meeting; SRSC Board meeting; and the NCWA Shasta Raise Task Force and Bay Delta Task Force meetings.

Manager Sutton polled the Board and confirmed that the regularly scheduled July 3, 2025, GCID Board of Directors meeting will be rescheduled to occur on July 10, 2025.

Communications Report

None.

Attorney's Report

None.

Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 10:44 a.m. to discuss the following:

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Potential Initiation of Litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Gov. Code sec. 54956.9: One Potential Case
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Gov. Code sec. 54956.9) Name of Cases:
 - i. *TCCA v. CA DWR* (Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 24WM000183) [CEQA Litigation-DWR 2024 EIR for LTO]
 - ii. *PCFFA v. Lutnick* (USDC E.D. Cal. Case No. 1:20-cv-00431-JLT-EPG);
 - iii. *CNRA v. Lutnick* (USDC E.D. Cal. Case No. 1:20-cv-00426-JLT-EPG) [2019 BiOps Lawsuits]
 - iv. *AquAlliance, et al. v. GCID* (Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 25WM000015; *State Water Contractors v. GCID* (Sacramento Superior Court Case No.

25MW000018) [2025 CEQA challenges to DPP Agreement FEIR]

- v. *Sacramento River Settlement Contractors, et al. v. State Water Resources Control Board, et al.*, (Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2022-80003846) [WR Order 90-5 Litigation]

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Gov. Code sec. 54956.9: One Potential Case

D. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: GCID's water supplies

GCID Negotiators: Jeffrey P. Sutton, John Amaro, Don Bransford, Louis Jarvis and Counsel Andrew Hitchings

Negotiating Parties: Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District, Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority and its Member Agencies, Santa Clara Valley Water District and East Bay Municipal Utility District

Under Negotiation: Call dates, and other transaction details

E. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(Government Code Section 54956.8)

Property: Acquisition of water supplies from Sites Reservoir Project

GCID Negotiators: Logan Dennis, Jeffrey P. Sutton and Counsel Alexis Stevens

Negotiating Parties: Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District and Sites Reservoir Project

Under Negotiation: Terms of payment, and other transactional details

F. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

(Government Code Section 54957)

Title: General Manager

G. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

(Government Code Section 54957)

Title: Assistant General Manager

The Board reconvened to open session at 11:57 a.m.

President Dennis reported that the Board met in Closed Session, pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Gov. Code sec. 54956.9 during which the Board heard an update and took no action.

President Dennis reported that the Board met in Closed Session, pursuant to Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Gov. Code sec. 54956.9, during which the Board heard updates and gave direction.

President Dennis reported that the Board met in Closed Session, pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Gov. Code sec. 54956.9, *Significant Exposure to Litigation*, during which the Board heard an update and took no action.

President Dennis reported that the Board met in Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, Conference with Real Property Negotiators (GCID's water supplies), during which the Board heard an update and took no action.

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Consider and Discuss Approval of General Manager Salary Increase in Accordance with Employment Agreement

President Dennis reported that the Board met in Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, during which the Board completed the performance evaluation for the General Manager.

Director Bransford moved to approve the General Manager salary increase in accordance with the General Manager's employment agreement. Director Amaro seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Dennis, Knight, Amaro and Bransford

Absent: Director Ornbaun

Consider and Approve Offer of Employment to Assistant General Manager Candidate

President Dennis reported that the Board met in Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, during which the Board during which the Board heard an update on the potential appointment of a new Assistant General Manager.


Director Amaro moved to authorize the General Manager to move forward with the offer of employment to the Assistant General Manager candidate. Director Knight seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Dennis, Knight, Amaro and Bransford

Absent: Director Ornbaun

The meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

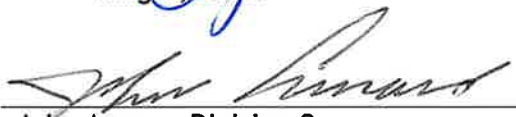
Respectfully submitted,


Jeffrey P. Sutton
Secretary


Attest a true record of proceedings made and taken at the above foregoing meeting our consent thereto and our presence thereat.



Peter Knight, Division 1



John Amaro, Division 2



Logan Dennis, Division 3



Donald R. Bransford, Division 4

Absent



Kelly Ornbaun, Division 5