

**QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
August 5, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.
8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101
And by Zoom/Teleconference**

Present: Karla Shriver, President; Mark Deacon, BOM; Gerald Ziegler, BOM; Harold Stoeber, BOM; and, Greg Higel, Ex-Officio.

Absent: Eric Hinton, Vice-President; Scot Schaefer, Secretary/Treasurer; Michael Schaefer, BOM.

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, Hill & Robbins P.C.; Amber Pacheco, Deputy General Manager; Angelo Bellah, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Wylie Keller, Water Resource Specialist; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Quinton Norris, Program Manager; Kylie Gregg, Office Manager; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Jessica Valdez.

Meeting Called to Order

President Shriver called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. A quorum was not present; approval of the agenda and approval of the minutes were tabled. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment

President Shriver asked for public comment. There was none.

Engineer's Report

President Shriver asked for the Engineer's report. Clinton Phillips presented a map of the unconfined aquifer storage study. He provided the change for July 2025, the change between July 2024 and 2025, the current aquifer level, the current five (5) year average and the acre-feet needed to get to the -400,000 level. Mr. Phillips presented a snapshot of the study period 2002 to current as well as a snapshot of the entire study period. He gave an update on the confined aquifer and the composite water head.

Mark Deacon joined the meeting; a quorum was now present.

Approval of the Agenda

President Shriver asked for amendments or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes

President Shriver asked for approval of the following minutes:

- May 6, 2025-Quarterly Meeting
- May 6, 2025-Executive Session

A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mark Deacon and unanimously approved.

Attorney's Report

President Shriver asked for the Attorney's report. Pete Ampe reported hiring a new associate named Arthur Sayre. He updated the Board on the announcement from DWR regarding the completion of the RGDSS Phase 7 Model and the release of response functions. Mr. Ampe reported on a protest filed by individuals in the Diamond Springs area in which the District filed party status. He also gave an update on Subdistrict No. 1's Plan of Water Management No. 4 trial as well as the SWAG trial. Mark Deacon asked how the latest model affects Subdistrict No. 2. Clinton Phillips reported all other Subdistricts saw an increase of depletions. Discussion was held on the impact of the new model to the Subdistricts and how often the model and response functions are to be updated.

Program Manager's Report

President Shriver asked for the Program Manager's report.

- *Financial Report*

Angelo Bellah presented the financials. He went over the costs covered by the District for and since formation as well as the remaining balance. Mr. Bellah presented a break down summary of total expenses, the Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Statement. He went over the assets, liabilities,

equity, total expenses and net income. Mr. Bellah highlighted Kylie Gregg's notes regarding the financials and reported the District was in the process of developing an investment policy. President Shriver highlighted a presentation given by Amber Pacheco and Kylie Gregg at the last Board of Directors meeting concerning investing in CSAFE or Colorado Trust. President Shriver described the need to have a discussion on how to invest the Subdistrict money.

A motion was made by Mark Deacon to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

- Update on 2025 Annual Replacement Plan and Operations

Angelo Bellah went over the 2025 depletion remedy operations including forbearance. He provided the current reservoir account balances and the potential to secure a forbearance agreement with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife. Mr. Bellah highlighted the 2025 irrigation season projects and gave an update on the Williams Creek Squaw Pass diversion. He reported on a suggestion to install SNOTEL monitors and described a potential lease agreement with Ed Innerarity .

- Update on 2026 Budget Process

Angelo Bellah reported on the budget process and asked the Board to consider holding a work session to go over the details.

Executive Session to Receive Legal Advice Regarding Negotiations for the Lease/Purchase of Real Property

President Shriver asked for a motion to enter into executive session to receive legal advice regarding negotiations for the lease/purchase of real property. A motion was made by Mark Deacon at 10:08 a.m. to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Gerald Zeigler and unanimously approved.

Mr. Ampe stated the Board was entering into executive session pursuant to section 24-6-402(4)(a) to receive legal advice regarding negotiations for the lease/purchase of real property. The Board would take no formal action or position during the executive session.

Possible Action from Executive Session

President Shriver asked for possible action from Executive Session. There was none.

Direction for Staff

President Shriver asked for direction for staff. Staff was directed to proceed as discussed.

New Business

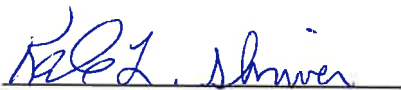
President Shriver asked for new business. Clinton Phillips provided an update on the Subdistrict No. 2 depletions according to the RGDSS Phase 7 Model. He reported on a slight decrease in depletions, presented the depletion schedule and explained how the groundwater withdrawals are entered into the Response Function. President Shriver commented on how difficult it is for the Subdistricts to satisfy the requirements of the model. Pete Ampe reported on how often the model is required to be updated and was asked to give his personal opinion on the Diamond Springs' challenge to the Phase 7 Model.

Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for November 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.



President

Secretary/Treasurer