

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
April 13, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.
8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101
And by Zoom/Teleconference**

Present: Karla Shriver, President; Eric Hinton, Vice-President; Scot Schaefer, Secretary/Treasurer; Gerald Ziegler, BOM; Harold Stoeber, BOM; and, Greg Higel, Ex-Officio.

Absent: Mark Deacon, BOM; 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; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Ryan Unterreiner, Jessica Valdez, Deb Sarason, William Myers, Ed Reddin, Rick Davie.

Meeting Called to Order

President Shriver called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

President Shriver asked for any amendments or a motion to approve the agenda. The agenda was amended to add review and consider 2026 City of Monte Vista lease. A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Shriver asked for public comment. There was none.

Approval of the 2026 Annual Replacement Plan

President Shriver asked for approval of the 2026 Annual Replacement Plan (ARP).

- *Board Discussion*

Angelo Bellah presented the Annual Replacement Plan. He highlighted the purpose of the report and the Groundwater Rules requirements. Mr. Bellah provided the number of wells included in the ARP and the WDID numbers of the wells that had been removed. He went over the projected annual diversions for 2025 and the anticipated groundwater withdrawals for 2026. Mr. Bellah provided the number of irrigated acres, projected stream depletions and reported on the new second flood irrigation rate called “wild flood” which was introduced with the Phase 7 model. Mr. Bellah highlighted the Rio Grande Compact ten (10) day report, projected post plan stream depletions, net groundwater consumptive use and the impact to the Rio Grande River. He went over the net consumptive use, net stream depletions, and the sources of replacement water. President Shriver commented on the need to analyze the Subdistrict’s sources and how to manage them. Mr. Bellah highlighted the forbearance agreements, Closed Basin Project allocation, amounts certified to the counties and contractual arrangements.

- *Public Comment*

President Shriver asked for public comment. There was none.

- *Recommendation to Board of Directors*

A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to approve the 2026 ARP and recommend to the Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

CPW/Davie Ranch Credit Exchange Request

President Shriver asked for CPW/Davie Ranch credit exchange request. Angelo Bellah provided an overview of the agreement with CPW and Davie Ranch.

A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to approve the request for appeal of Subdistrict No. 2 assessed fees by Richard T. and Lugail Davie Trust with refund amount to be updated to match the assessed pumping fee. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

Affirmation of the Resolution to Apply for a Loan from the Colorado Water Conservation Board

President Shriver asked for affirmation of the Resolution to apply for a loan from the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB). Angelo Bellah explained how the CWCB loan requires a resolution from the Subdistrict Board and the District Board to accept the terms of the loan.

A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to approve the affirmation of the resolution as presented to apply for a loan from the Colorado Water Conservation Board contingent on no substantial changes to the loan application. The motion was seconded by Harold Ziegler and unanimously approved.

Review and Consider 2026 City of Monte Vista Lease

President Shriver asked for review and consider 2026 City of Monte lease. Angelo Bellah reminded the Board of last year's agreement with the City of Monte Vista and described what is being offered this year. He also reported on the offer to lease water in storage to the District.

A motion was made by Gerald Ziegler to recommend to the Rio Grande Water Conservation District to move forward with the lease agreement with the City of Monte Vista and allocate Subdistrict No. 2 a portioned share of the water. The motion was seconded by Harold Stoeber and unanimously approved.

Other Director Reports/Comments/Questions

President Shriver asked for other Director reports/comments/questions. She directed staff to look into a new type of recorder for the Grizzly Pass water. President Shriver asked William Myers for an update on their new conservation district, he did not respond.

New Business

President Shriver asked for new business.

Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.



President



Secretary/Treasurer