

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Of the
TEHAMA-COLUSA CANAL AUTHORITY
5513 Hwy 162
Willows, CA 95988
September 2, 2026
9:00 a.m.

PRESENT:

SHANDON SMITH*	D	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
SHELLY MURPHY	A	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
KEVIN HEBREW*	D	CORNING W.D.
BARBARA LINDAUER*	A	CORNING W.D.
PAMELA KATLEBA-JENKINS*	A	CORTINA W.D./WESTSIDE W.D.
JAMIE TRAYNHAM*	D	DAVIS W.D.
JORDON NAVARROT*	A	DUNNIGAN W.D.
WADE MATHIS*	D	4-M W.D.
KELLY ORNBAUN*	D	GCID
DARIN TITUS*	D	KIRKWOOD W.D.
ZACH DENNIS*	D	LAGRANDE W.D./WESTSIDE W.D.
JIM JONES*	D	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
MIKE URKOV*	A	WESTSIDE W.D.

DISTRICTS ABSENT:

GLIDE W.D.
HOLTHOUSE W.D.
KANAWHA W.D.
PROBERTA W.D.
THOMES CREEK W.D.

ALSO PRESENT:

WILLIAM VANDERWAAL*	GENERAL MANAGER, TCCA
LISA DICHARRY*	RECORDING SECRETARY, TCCA
MONICA LYON	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, TCCA
DON BABB	O&M CHIEF, TCCA
AARON HALL	RED BLUFF SUPERVISOR, TCCA
REBECCA SMITH*	DOWNEY BRAND
JAKE BERENS	USBR, WILLOWS OFFICE
MOSES ALVARADO	CORNING WATER DISTRICT

“*” indicates closed session attendance.

“D” indicates designated director “A” indicates designated alternate.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dennis called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Roll was called and a quorum was declared present for the conduct of business with 11 Districts represented.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S/C -JONES/SMITH- UNANIMOUS

To approve September 2, 2026, Regular Meeting Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MONTHLY RE-OCCURRING ITEMS

A. Board Meeting Minutes

M/S/C -SMITH/JONES-UNANIMOUS

To approve August 5, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.

B. Treasurer's Report

M/S/C-NAVARROT/TRAYNHAM-UNANIMOUS

To approve August Financial Reports as presented.

C. USBR Report

Jake Berens reported that CVO operations Shasta is running out of cold water; Flows are ramping down; Water rate schedules online are updated; Restoration charges \$14.04 Irrigation and \$28.08 for M&I.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Operations & Maintenance

- A. Don Babb and Aaron Hall, TCCA O&M Chief and Red Bluff Supervisor reported Continue dredging GCID basin; Remove Beaver Dam Rd. 57; Replace transmitter for meter at WWD 7; Copper treatments TC Canal and Corning Canal; Teton treatment on Corning Canal; Fence repair at ck 9; Drain cleaning ck 9; Bathtub cleaning Evans Rd and Hahn Rd.; Smoke test Truck 33; Replace battery at CCWD 5 and reprogram meter; Miscellaneous vehicle services and maintenance on

equipment; Purchase new Lowbed truck; Milepost marker painting on TC and CC; TC operations and patrol to ck 9; Cleaned trash racks at pumping plant; Start removing fish screens from river; Troubleshoot commutations issue on TC and Corning Canals, had to run Corning Canal in manual a lot; Cleaned block houses on Corning Canal; Tehama county headquarters inspection in Red Bluff; Safety meetings; Upcoming activities: Finish dredging GCID basin; Continue bathtub cleaning multiple spots; Continue cleaning drains; Continue milepost painting; Continue cleaning grates; TC and CC chemical treatments; Continue working on erosion and tree removal on Corning, 2024 reviews; Mechanical repairs and services as needed; Inspections and maintenance of TC and Corning canals, Red Bluff office complex and pumping plants; Work on Corning canal and pumping plant recommendations from USBR; Continue pulling fish screens; Troubleshoot commutations problems; Cleaning trash rack at Pumping plant; Red Bluff and Corning Pumping plants upgrade; and daily and monthly meter readings.

Meetings/Presentations

- B. Manager Vanderwaal presented his written meetings and presentations report to the board, and it is included in the Board Packet for any questions and clarifications:
- Agreements for Healthy Rivers & Landscapes
 - Long Term Operations
 - Black Butte Gate Project
 - Orland Project Water Management Act (HB-4970)
 - End of August Forecast
 - Long Term Transfer EIS
 - RiverArc Project

GENERAL BUSINESS

Policy Update- 2160 Authorized Personal Leave

- A. Manager Vanderwaal reported during the August board meeting it became apparent the subject policy needed to be updated to remove the Board of Directors from in-depth personnel management. The proposed update removes the Board from the process unless the unpaid leave request is from the General Manager or there is no General Manager at the time of the request.

M/S/C-TRAYNHAM/SMITH-UNANIMOUS

To approve the proposed updated policy-2160 Authorized Personal Leave.

Discuss and Consider Sites Reservoir JPA Activities

- B. Manager Vanderwaal reported that the Sites Project is attempting to wrap up the Benefits & Obligations (B&O) Agreements and the Facility Use Agreement (the

agreement between the TCCA and Sites Project for use of the canal, aka FUA). There will be a closed session to discuss this further. Sites Project has an *ad hoc* committee meeting to discuss solutions to concerns between Sacramento Valley Investors and South of Delta Investors.

Director Traynham and Director Urkov reported Zone 3 update,

Reconciliation Projects Update

- C. Manager Vanderwaal reported the OB3 funds have been deposited into the TCCA account. The Bureau has requested the TCCA to hire a specialized consultant to conduct the historical survey portion of the NEPA process. We have reached out to a consultant to obtain a proposal which we should have this week of the board meeting. The rest of the NEPA process is underway, being conducted by the Bureau of Reclamation staff. Jacobs has drafted the fabrication IFB and received comments back from both the USBR and TCCA. They intend to release the IFB in September. Corning canal pumping plant is in the process of obtaining quotes to refurbish the 50 cfs pump motors. The invitation for bids (IFB) was opened on Thursday, August 27th with WM Lyles as the apparent low bidder. The Board is requested to contract with the recommended contractor to design and construct the Canalside screens. Final staff review of the bids is being done after the writing of this update and will be provided during the meeting. The Resolutions 2026-04 for Notice of Exemption for Corning Canal Pumping Plant and Resolution 2026-05 for Notice of Exemption for Main Pumping Plant Pump Addition have been tabled until we have IFB at the October 7, 2026, board meeting.

M/S/C-TITUS/JONES-UNANIMOUS

To approve the award of Canalside Screen IFB to WM Lyles.

M/S/C-TRAYNHAM/NAVARROT-UNANIMOUS

To approve Resolution 2026-03 for Notice of Exemption for Canalside Screens contract.

Consider Safety Awards

- D. Manager Vanderwaal reported during the past two years, the TCCA Board has authorized a Safety Award to employees when the TCCA has received the maximum rebate from GSRMA for insurance. GSRMA member agencies can earn an award up to 10% of their current year's contribution. This year, the maximum rebate was again awarded.

M/S/C-TRAYNHAM/SMITH-UNANIMOUS

To approve the proposed Safety Award for the Employees.

- Discuss and Consider GSRMA Directors Financial Training**
- E. Per California law, directors are required to have an additional 2 hours of training specifically on understanding fiduciary responsibility as board members, an email was sent out to all directors and alternates notice of an opportunity hosted by GSRMA that would satisfy this requirement. Administrative Officer Dicharry can also sign you up through Vector Solutions for this training online.
- F. **Consider Approval of Resolution 2026-02 Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies Disaster No. CDAA 2014-07**
Manager Vanderwaal reported that Cal OES has contacted the TCCA to close out the subject contract. Failure to close this out will inhibit the ability to participate in future FEMA related emergency response funds and reimbursement.

M/S/C-SMITH/HEBREW -UNANIMOUS

To approve Resolution 2026-02, Cal OES ID No. 021-91009 Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies.

ATTORNEY REPORT

CLOSED SESSION

- A. **Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation [California Government Code Section 54956.9(1)] One Case:**
1. **PCFFA et al. v. Lutnick, et al. (E.D. Cal., Case No. 1 :20-cv-00431-JLT-EPG) ; CNRA v. Lutnick (USDC E.D. Cal. No. 1 :20-cv-00426-JLT-EPG) [2019 BiOps Lawsuits]**
No Report
- B. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation [California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)]: SWRCB Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan Update Proceedings.**
No Report
- C. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code section 54956.9 (one potential case).**
No Report
- D. **Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code Section 54957)- Title: General Manager**
No Report

OPEN SESSION

The board re-convened to open session at 10:55 a.m.
Counsel Smith reported the WIIN Act, 9th circuit win, contracts looking good.

TCCA CHAIRMAN/VICE CHAIRMAN/DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Dennis adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Board Secretary
William Vanderwaal

Chairman
Zach Dennis