

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LOWER SAN JOAQUIN LEVEE DISTRICT**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2026

Pursuant to the Call of the Chairman, a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lower San Joaquin Levee District was held in the office of the San Luis Canal Company at 11704 W Henry Miller Avenue, Dos Palos, Merced County, California, on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, at the hour of 8:30 A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Catania presided over the meeting and called it to order, with the following Directors present in the boardroom: George Park, Breanne Vandenberg, and Steve Shehadey. Directors Sean Howard, Case Vlot, and Bob Kelley were absent. The following staff were present in the boardroom: Legal Counsel Lauren Layne, Secretary-Manager Shane Swartz, Superintendent Jody McClellon, and Office Administrator Raegan Huff. The guests in attendance in the boardroom were Darrell Chism, Sarah Woolf, Juan Cruz, and Scott McCauley.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Vandenberg led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS

No corrections or additions.

BOARD MINUTES

Following a discussion of the previous Board minutes, the Board reviewed the minutes from the general meeting held on January 13, 2025. On a motion by Director Park, and seconded by Director Shehadey, the minutes were approved.

PRESENTATION

Presentation briefing to the Board from Consor Engineering, contracted by Merced County Public Works, on the proposed emergency repair of the Washington Road Bridge over the Eastside Bypass

Scott McCauley and Juan Cruz from Consor Engineering introduced themselves to the Board. Consor Engineering is contracted by Merced County to carry out emergency repairs on Washington Bridge, which was damaged in 2023. They presented a brief overview to the Board

on the repairs to be undertaken and the steps to be taken to restore the bridge. Their goal is to have all permits and construction by the summer or fall of 2026. The Board asked no questions of them when they concluded their presentation.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Attorney Layne reported no updates on legislation. However, she mentioned that a closed session would take place at the end of the meeting, and she recommended that the Board move the Public Comment section to item 9 on the agenda. Chairman Catania approved adjusting the agenda per legal's request.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent McClellon reported that levee re-gravelling has been completed.

Superintendent McClellon stated that grading of the levee roadway is ongoing.

Superintendent McClellon reported that spraying of the levee slopes has begun.

Superintendent McClellon stated that clearing around flap gates and flap gate channels, as needed for the DMP project, is ongoing.

Superintendent McClellon reported that the rodent control program is continuing, with the use of Diphacinone bait and carbon monoxide machines.

Superintendent McClellon stated that fence and gate repairs continue as needed.

SECRETARY-MANAGER'S REPORT

S-M Swartz presented current updates on flood operations and Friant Dam flows.

DWR – Deferred Maintenance Program (DMP) Update

S-M Swartz provided an update on DWR's Deferred Maintenance Program. S-M Swartz presented a memorandum to the Board regarding the DMP project, outlining accomplishments under the DMP contract with DWR. He noted that there are three different work orders for cured-in-place piping (CIPP), and a total of 170 CIPP pipes have been completed between 2021 and 2025. The average cost for a fully loaded CIPP project is approximately \$45,000 per pipe, and the District has received \$7.7 million for the completed 170 CIPP pipes. Additionally, a total of 13 full replacement pipes have been completed. One full replacement pipe is pending engineering design, which is expected to be completed in 2026. Two additional full replacements are awaiting engineering design and are scheduled for completion in 2027. The average cost for a

full replacement of a pipe is around \$495,000 per pipe, and the District has received \$6.5 million for the 13 full replacement pipes.

DWR – Flood System Repair Program (FSRP) Update

S-M Swartz provided an update on DWR’s Flood System Repair Program. S-M Swartz announced that the FSRP gravel project has been completed. He also mentioned that District Engineer Scot Jacobson is preparing the closeout report for the FSRP project and will share it with the Board once it is finalized. S-M Swartz mentioned that the FSRP Erosion project is ongoing. They are still working on the permit process and hope to start construction in the fall of 2026.

DWR – Regional Flood Management Plan (RFMP) Update

S-M Swartz stated that he had no updates on the Regional Flood Management Plan.

BUDGET STATUS REPORT

Following a discussion of the claims presented on a motion by Director Park, and seconded by Director Vandenberg, the following claims were unanimously acknowledged and approved for payment.

Anthem Blue Cross	Employee Group Insurance	10300	\$12,357.94
Baker Manock & Jensen	Professional services	21800	\$3,011.96
CAL NET	Communications	20600	\$78.20
CalMutuals	Professional services	21800	\$100.00
Cool World Enterprises	Communications	20600	\$337.00
CoPower	Employee Group insurance	10300	\$87.40
Company Credit Card (Shane)	Amazon, ParcelQuest		\$918.97
Company Credit Card (Jody)	Pesticide License, Maint. equip.		\$1,251.24
Gilton Waste	Household expense-supplies	20900	\$152.07
Henry Miller Rec. (Rent)	Office expenses/supplies	21700	\$1,537.00
Henry Miller Rec. (Propane)	Office expenses/supplies	21700	\$86.74
Holt of CA	Maintenance- equipment, other	21200	\$88.15
Humana	Employee Group Insurance	10300	\$439.13
Kellogg Supply	Maintenance- equipment, other	21200	\$85.49
KSN Engineering	FSRP Expense	22388	\$19,961.55
Kimball Midwest	Maintenance- equipment, other	21200	\$497.79
Manuels Tire Service	Maintenance- equipment, other	21200	\$29.26
Marfab Ag	Small tools and instruments	22200	\$124.87
Mid-Valley Pipe & Steel	FSRP Expense	22388	\$1,961.18
PG&E (Protection)	Utilities	22600	\$14.76
PG&E (Structures)	Utilities	22600	\$264.92
PG&E (LD Office)	Utilities	22600	\$77.64
PG&E (LD Shop)	Utilities	22600	\$437.76
Primo Brands (LD Office)	Household expense-supplies	20900	\$44.95
Primo Brands (Shop)	Household expense-supplies	20900	\$51.35
Shane Swartz	RFMP Expense	22387	\$302.97
Summers Engineering, Inc.	FSRP Expense- Gravel	22388	\$4,526.30
Summers Engineering, Inc.	DMP Expense	22389	\$9,465.81
Summers Engineering, Inc.	Professional services	21800	\$593.30
Tucci Machine Shop	FSRP Expense	22388	\$5,325.90
UniFirst	Clothing & Personal Supply	20500	\$599.66
Verizon Connect	Communications	20600	\$273.20
Verizon	Communications	20600	\$176.81
Windecker	Transportation and Travel	22500	\$1,173.02
Zenith	Workmen's Cop. Insurance	10360	\$2,848.00

PUBLIC COMMENT

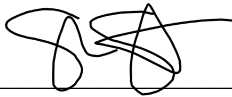
Sarah Woolf introduced herself to the Board and provided a public comment. She expressed her gratitude to the Board and the District staff for their support in the work being accomplished with the Aliso Water District and Triangle T Water District. She also stated that they are continuing to collaborate with the State Water Resources Control Board to expedite the permitting process.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Catania dismissed the public, and Attorney Layne opened the closed session at 9:29 A.M. The Board came out of closed session at 9:39 A.M. with no reportable action

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Catania declared the meeting adjourned at 9:44 A.M.



Shane Swartz, Secretary-Manager