

President Joe Valente - Area 3
Vice President Jason Colombini - Area 2
Secretary David Simpson – Area 1
Treasurer Charles Starr – Area 4 - Absent
Director Brady Colburn – Area 5

General Counsel Jennifer Spaletta
Special Counsel Roger Masuda - Absent
Daniel deGraaf – District Engineer
Deputy Secretary – Shasta Burns
General Manager – Steve Schwabauer

NORTH SAN JOAQUIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING AND CONCURRENT SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lodi Grape Festival Grounds – Barrel Room
413 E. Lockeford Street, Lodi, CA

Monday, June 30, 2025

REGULAR MEETING

1. **Call to Order - Roll Call - Acceptance of Agenda** - The meeting was called to order by President Valente at 2:00 p.m. A motion for the acceptance of the Agenda of June 3 and to pull Agenda item - C I 5 will be pulled from the agenda, 2025 made by Secretary Colburn, second by Vice President Colombini. Motion passed 4/0/0. Treasurer Starr is absent.

2. **Correspondence/Announcements** – No updates at this time.

3. **Public Hearing – President Valente opened the Public Hearing at 2:02 PM – Consideration of Resolution 2025-03 Imposing Groundwater Charge to Fund Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Implementation for Fiscal Year 2025-26 – No Public Comments were received – President Valente Closed the Public Hearing at 2:05 PM. A motion to approve Resolution 2025-03 Imposing Groundwater Charge to Fund Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Implementation for Fiscal Year 2025-26 in the amount of \$20 per Acre Foot made by Director Simpson, second by Vice President Colombini. Roll call vote: Simpson; Aye, Colburn; Aye; Colombini; Aye. Treasurer Starr was absent 4/0/0**

4. **Action Items** Note: Votes recorded as: For/Against/Abstention (name)
 - A. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
 1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Board meeting on May 18, 2025, and the Special Meeting Minutes for June 9, 2025. A motion to approve the meeting of the Regular Scheduled Board Meeting on May 18, 2025 and Special Meeting on June 9, 2025 presented at the board meeting, made by Director Simpson, second by Secretary Colburn. Motion passed 4/0/0

B. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Receive and approve June 2025 NSJWCD Monthly Treasurer's Report and Summary of Accounts and Transfers presented to the board. Perla from Butterfield + Company prepared financial statements for Board action. A motion to approve June 2025 NSJWCD Monthly Treasurer's Report, made by Director Simpson, second by Vice President Colombini. Motion passed 4/0/0.
2. Approve Payment of Bills. A motion to approve payment of bills listed in the Board meeting packet, made by Vice President Colombini, second by Director Simpson. Motion passed 4/0/0.
3. Adopt 2025/26 Budget – General Manager Schwabauer reviewed 2025/26 Budget. A motion to approve 2025/26 Budget – with changes of Approving subject to merging the planning fund into the Groundwater fund, removing the \$21,000 in G/A and making the appropriate adjustments to cover the cost in the Groundwater Reserve allocation, made by Director Simpson, second by Vice President Colombini. Motion passed 4/0/0.
4. Adopt Resolution Establishing Amended 2025 Water Rates for Irrigation – A motion to approve **Resolution 2025-04** Amending 2025 Water Rates for Surface Water made by Vice President Colombini, second by Secretary Colburn. Roll Call Vote: Simpson; Aye, Colburn; Aye; Colombini; Aye. Treasurer Starr was absent 4/0/0

C. CONTRACTS

1. Approve 2025/26 scope and budget for De Graaf Engineering- A motion to approve 2025/26 scope and budget for deGraaf Engineering, with the change in South System Phase 4 from \$125,000, to \$100,000 made by Vice President Colombini, second Director Simpson. Motion passed 4/0/0
2. Approve 2025/26 scope and Budget for Consero Solutions - A motion to approve 2025/26 scope and Budget for Consero Solutions made by Vice President Colombini, second by Secretary Colburn. Motion passed 4/0/0
3. Approve 2025/26 budget for Granberg Associates – A motion to approve 2025/26 budget for Granberg Associates made by Director Simpson, second by Vice President Colombini. Motion passed 4/0/0
4. Approve 2025/26 budget for Stoel Rives – A motion to approve 2025/26 budget for Stoel Rives with a time and materials budget for \$200,000, with the understanding that the obligation could go over budget but will inform the board if nearing the max budget, made by Director Simpson, second by Secretary Colburn. Motion passed 4/0/0
5. Approve Amended Final Bill to EBMUD for DREAM Close Out Costs in the amount of \$18,359.58 and a reimbursement to Kautz of \$1,720.54 for electric- Agenda item pulled for a later discussion date.
6. Approve engagement letter with Butterfield +Co. CPA's, Inc. to perform ongoing accounting services for year ending June 30, 2026 - A motion to approve engagement letter with Butterfield +Co. CPA's, Inc. to perform

on going accounting services for year ending June 30, 2026 made by Director Simpson, second by Vice President Colombini. Motion passed 4/0/0

D. System and Projects

1. Engineer's Report and Operations Plan. District Engineer deGraaf gave an overview of where the district stands on each project. Report was presented available upon request.
2. North System- Phase 1C is under construction. Pipeline construction will be complete in the next couple of weeks. Grading will be completed towards the end of the month following application of water to increase moisture content to assist with grading.
3. South System – Phase III construction is nearing completion. Grating and valve installation is complete. Anticipate having water available in the second week of July and will perform pipeline testing at that time.
4. Cal-Fed Woodbridge – No current activity to report
5. Tracy lake ID – Staff is working with the landowners and a contractor to perform an evaluation of the pump to determine what repairs are required to improve efficiency.

E. Grant Activity

1. Consero Report – Update on funding requests and grant opportunities.

F. Strategic Plan Activity – No update at this time

G. Groundwater Charge- Covered in above agenda items.

H. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act/GWA Activity- Closer to hiring a General Manager.

I. SJC Mokelumne River Application Update – Second Draft of EIR is circulating now.

J. Bay Delta Flow Program Update/Voluntary Agreements – No update at this time

K. Landowner Communications – No additional updates at this time

L. Board Planning Calendar – No reports at this time.

5. Director and Staff Reports

A. Director's Report –no reports at this time.

B. Committee Reports – No reports at this time.

C. Other – No reports at this time.

6. Public Comment – Woodbridge Irrigation District provided operational updates.

7. **Closed Session** – The Board entered closed session at 3:08 pm, and came out of closed session. **Return to Open Session** – President Valente returned the meeting to open session and announced there was no reportable action.
8. **Adjournment** - Motion to adjourn the NSJWCD Regular Meeting on June 30, 2025 made by Director Simpson, second by Vice President Colombini. Motion passed 4/0/0. Meeting adjourned at 3:47p.m.

The next regular scheduled Board Meeting June 30, 2025, from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The above minutes of the North San Joaquin Water Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting of June 30, 2025.

Respectfully submitted:

Board Clerk- Shasta Burns