

STRATFORD IRRIGATION DISTRICT
877 W. Iona Avenue, Lemoore, CA 93245
May 21, 2026

The regular meeting of the Stratford Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Vice-President S. Stanton. Directors present were T. Azevedo, M. Newton and J. Orton. President C. Meyer was absent. Others present were Manager B. Osborne, Secretary W. Areias and J. Gailey (10:20 am). A motion was made by Dir. T. Azevedo seconded by Dir. M. Newton and carried to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2026.

AUDIENCE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE – N/A

FINANCIAL MATTERS - Secretary, W. Areias presented the current financial report for the Board's consideration. A motion was made by Dir. J. Orton, seconded by Dir. M. Newton and carried to approve payment of the bills as listed and make any transfers needed.

BUDGET UPDATE - Copies of a Budget Update report for the period ending April 30, 2026 were distributed and reviewed by the Board.

AUDIENCE UNSCHEDULED APPEARANCE – N/A

CORRESPONDENCE – N/A

MANAGERS REPORT - Manager Osborne reported that Pine Flat storage is 863,492 a/f, total storage is 1,092,608 a/f. The natural flow is 3,191 c.f.s. Stratford's storage is approximately 11,680 a/f. Precipitation is 94% of normal. Snow pack is 20% of normal to date. Stratford ID contributed to Centerville Bottoms PSOP of 564.5 a/f on May 15th.

LEMOORE CANAL MEETING – Manager Osborne reported that Lemoore Canal made a "B" allocation of .35 a/f per share at \$74.00 per acre foot and start May 15th and run into September.

KRWA:

WATER TRANSFER – Consolidated ID has protested a water transfer of up to 10,000 a/f from James ID to Fresno ID. Although compensatory losses will be paid to the affected units, Consolidated ID is concerned about groundwater recharge along its border now that the water will not physically be in the channel. KRWA intends to move forward with the transfer, siting it doesn't violate current blue book guidelines.

GOLDEN MUSCLE – California Department of Fish & Wild Life is reaching out to users concerning the Golden Mussel. They are proposing a 60 day response time to form a plan to deal with the pest. Pine Flat & Kings River are still considered at low risk. Under the right conditions it can live months out of the water.

PINE FLAT DAM PROJECT – A cost share from the Army Corps. on the Pine Flat Dam raising project will require proof of a significant flood control benefit. The benefit analysis report will cost \$150,000 and will be split between KRWA & KRCD. They estimated the construction time to be about three years once the project begins.

ASO FLIGHTS – KRWA is applying for a DWR grant of \$984,000 to fund ASO flights for the next three years. The grant would also provide one extra flight per season.

SOUTH FORK KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY – Director M. Newton and J. Gailey reported that wells need to be certified by October 1st. They are going forward with the new ground water model.

OLD BUSINESS:

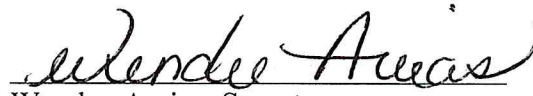
ALLOCATION – A motion was made by Dir. M. Newton, seconded by Dir. T. Azevedo and unanimously passed to table the allocation to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

JPA (Joint Powers Agreement) – Mr. Gailey informed the Board about the amendment regarding the two JPA board seats. A motion was made by Dir. T. Azevedo, seconded by Dir. J. Orton and unanimously passed to sign the amended JPA.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to closed session at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Wendee Areias, Secretary