

STRATFORD IRRIGATION DISTRICT
877 W. Iona Avenue, Lemoore, CA 93245
June 18, 2026

The regular meeting of the Stratford Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President C. Meyer. Directors present were T. Azevedo, M. Newton, S. Stanton and J. Orton. Others present were Manager B. Osborne and Secretary W. Areias.

A motion was made by Dir. T. Azevedo seconded by Dir. M. Newton and carried to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2026 meeting.

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. T. Azevedo, seconded by Dir. S. Stanton 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 May 31, 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 704,788 a/f, total storage is 939,633 a/f. The natural flow is 2,486 c.f.s. Stratford's storage is approximately 11,700 a/f. Precipitation is 93% of normal. Snow pack is 15% of normal to date.

LEMOORE CANAL MEETING – Manager Osborne reported that Lemoore Canal made an additional "B" water allocation of .10 a/f per share for a total of .45 a/f of "B" water at \$74.00 per acre foot. A "C" water allocation of 1,000 a/f at \$120.00 and shareholders are allowed to purchase up to 50 a/f at a time. Watermen now have company cell phones.

KRWA:

NUTRIA – An investigation is going on at Dutch John and Cole Slough sections of the Kings River for Nutria/possible habitat.

PINE FLAT – KRWA reached out to entities with similar projects as Pine Flat Dam raising and discovered that Army Corps slow response to be consistent.

WATER RIGHTS FEES – KRWA has recommended no increase to the Water Rights Fees. Last year's fees ended with a 44% reserve.

SOUTH FORK KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY – Director M. Newton said that this morning was a Grower’s Advisor Meeting and a SGMA meeting is tonight. They will be talking about the meter policy. All meters possibly need to be certified by October 1st once the meter policy has passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

ALLOCATION – A motion was made by Dir. M. Newton, seconded by Dir. J. Orton and unanimously passed to allocate .45 a/f of Stratford ID’s river water.

JPA (Joint Powers Agreement) – N/N

NEW BUSINESS:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to closed session at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Wendee Areias, Secretary