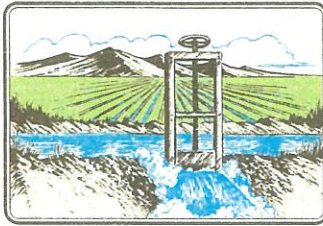


Reclamation District No. 1004



**RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1004
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES
March 11, 2026
Regular Board Meeting**

Board of Trustees (BOT) present: Chairman Herkert, Vice-Chair Mord, Trustee Garofalo, Trustee Bailey, and Trustee Southam. District staff present: District Manager Terry Bressler and Office Manager Barbie Buchanan. Public attendees present: Landowners Deryl Phy and Hayden Harter. Public attendees present by phone: Landowners Dave Barale and Erik Foraker.

1. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda as presented: Vice-Chair Mord

Second: Trustee Garofalo

Vote: Unanimous

3. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Board Meeting Minutes – February 11, 2026

Motion to approve minutes with edits: Trustee Bailey

Second: Trustee Garofalo

Vote: Unanimous

4. Public to address the Board

Landowner Hayden Harter would like the District to shop around for fuel deliveries to ensure we are getting the best price. He also suggested placing AirTags in District vehicles, so that if board members want to know where employees are, they can easily check.

Office Manager Barbie Buchanan shared a letter that landowner Dave Barale sent in requesting to add 15 acres to his property associated with the East Pond. Those acres should have been added to his property in the past, but were somehow overlooked in the farm ground FSA maps.

The BOT had no questions for Dave Barale and agreed that the acreage should be included in his property.

5. Quarterly Bifurcation Meeting

Erik Foraker stated that they are unable to drain into Butte Creek right now because the water is too high. There is one gate currently half closed at the Bifurcation Plant. District Manager Terry Bressler shared that the District is experiencing the same drainage problem in the bottom part of the District.

Chairman Herkert stated that a pump to lift the gates was discussed in October 2025 and asked whether it had been completed. District Manager Terry Bressler stated that it is still the plan, but it has not yet been completed. District Manager Terry Bressler reported that they recently met with Ducks Unlimited and that, due to the way the plant was built, a portable hydraulic unit can be installed; however, that has not yet been changed.

6. Financial Report - Discussion and Possible Action

A. Cash Report/Account Balances

Discussion only, no action taken.

B. Interim Disbursements

Motion to approve interim disbursements totaling \$83,723.63: Trustee Southam

Second: Vice-Chair Mord

Vote: Unanimous

C. Accounts Payable

Motion to approve vendor transactions as presented, totaling \$41,042.05: Trustee Garofalo

Second: Trustee Bailey

Vote: Unanimous

D. Accounts Receivable

Office Manager Barbie Buchanan presented the list of open invoices totaling \$626,853.27, which includes the admin & standby invoices recently mailed out, as well as the annual lease payment.

E. Profit/Loss Statement

Discussion only, no action taken.

F. Approval of Transfers

Transfer \$12,500.00 from general fund to County Fund 1 (498)

- \$2,500.00 to Water Rights
- \$10,000.00 to Princeton Pumping Plant

Motion to approve transfer from Tri Counties to County Fund 1 as requested: Vice-Chair Mord
Second: Trustee Bailey
Vote: Unanimous

7. New Business

A. Discussion and Possible Action regarding District Investment Policy

Chairman Herkert stated that the District does not currently have an investment policy and asked if the BOT would like District staff to create a policy for review. Trustee Southam stated that the District should first lay out the rules and then create a policy around them. The BOT supported creating a policy, and will review the draft at April's meeting.

8. Chairman's Report

A. Update on Sacramento River Settlement Contractors

Chairman Herkert shared the updates provided at the SRSCC meeting. These included an 11% reduction in spending allocated to the USBR. SRSCC is continuing to work on the salmon project in flooded rice fields in the Yolo Bypass, and it is going well. SRSCC recently submitted a grant application to the Wildlife Conservation Board for the reintroduction of salmon in the upper Sacramento River.

9. Manager's Report

District Manager Terry Bressler reported that the cement wall at the North Highline should be poured as of tomorrow. Pump 13 repair is in progress; however, the bowl unit is quite worn and requires additional work. Discussion regarding repair or replacement continued, and Trustee Bailey recommends repairing the pump rather than replacing it, and would like to inspect the pump himself before a decision is made.

District Manager Terry Bressler shared an estimate from Well Industries for a new frequency drive for one of PPP's pumps. This frequency drive has been experiencing faults and warnings for the last year or so, and according to the supplier, there is a five-week delivery period once ordered. BOT directed District Manager Terry Bressler to order a new VFD so that, if the pump goes down, the part will be here.

Motion to purchase a new variable frequency drive as shown on Wells Industries estimate 1294:
Trustee Southam
Second: Trustee Mord
Vote: Unanimous

District Manager Terry Bressler asked whether the BOT would like to move forward with the cement wall that should have been poured at the bottom of the cement ditch last year, before we run water this year, or wait until next year. Trustee Bailey stated that this is a safety issue and would like to see this fixed now. The cement ditch would not be able to deliver water until the

project is fully complete. The BOT requested adding temporary platforms to mitigate safety concerns. Pouring a cement wall will need to wait until next year in order to avoid delaying water delivery this season.

The California Levee gravel project will start next week. The BOT previously approved \$60,000.00 for this project; however, District Manager Terry Bressler feels the complete project will be closer to \$90,000.00. He will continue to update the BOT.

A potential groundwater transfer to SLDMWA was discussed at February's meeting, and District Manager Terry Bressler stated that the State's allocation for SLDMWA is only 15%, so there is a higher chance of this transfer request happening. If the BOT is interested in participating in the transfer, he will check with Glenn County to determine what necessary steps would be. Chairman Herkert stated that he supports initiating the conversation with Glenn County to prepare for a potential transfer, but reiterated that we are not committing to it.

Trustee Bailey asked if there are any plans to work on the drain near fields 75 and 79 on the north end of the District. The area around the drain is a jungle and needs some work, and there are multiple beaver dams that are slowing drainage. The drain has been discussed for several years, and he would like to see some work started soon. District Manager Terry Bressler will look into a beaver depredation permit from CDFW.

10. Old Business

A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding White Mallard Dam Automated Dam Level Cost, Feasibility, and Operations

Discussion only, no action taken.

B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Comprehensive Testing for Wells and Lift Pumps

District Manager Terry Bressler shared the revised test results. Trustee Bailey reviewed the results and feels they are valid as a baseline, but would like to see another test conducted during the summer to determine groundwater conditions.

C. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Fee Study with Provost & Pritchard

Discussion only, no action taken.

D. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding DPP District Projects

Discussion only, no action taken.

E. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Five Points Survey and Reports

Discussion only, no action taken.

11. CLOSED SESSION AND TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED:

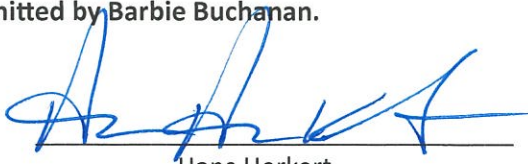
- A. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Sacramento River Water Rights/Bureau of Reclamation & California Department of Water Resources
- B. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Litigation Updates
- C. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Fee Study Updates

Closed session called at: 11:47 a.m.

Open session called at: 12:40 p.m.

Report out from closed session: Discussion only, no action taken.

Submitted by **Barbie Buchanan.**



Hans Herkert
Chairman of the Board



Barbie Buchanan
Secretary to the Board of Trustees