



Monday, September 8, 2025, 12:00 p.m.

**Notice of Finance & Administration Committee Regular Meeting and
Joint Finance & Administration Committee Regular Meeting-Special Board
Workshop**

**SLDMWA Boardroom
842 6th Street, Los Banos
(List of Member/Alternate Telephonic Locations Attached)**

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NOTE FURTHER: Meeting materials have been made available to the public on the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority's website, <https://www.sldmwa.org>, and at the Los Banos Administrative Office, 842 6th Street, Los Banos, CA 93635.

Agenda

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Additions or Corrections to the Agenda for the Finance & Administration Committee Meeting only, as Authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq.
3. Opportunity for Public Comment – Any member of the public may address the Finance & Administration Committee/Board concerning any matter not on the Agenda, but within the Committee's or Board's jurisdiction. Public comment is limited to no more than three minutes per person. For good cause, the Chair of the Finance & Administration Committee may waive this limitation.

ACTION ITEMS

4. **Approval of August 4, 2025 Meeting Minutes**
5. **Planning Committee Recommendation Regarding Adoption of Refinements to Cost Allocation Methodology and Scope for Phase 1 of the Upper Delta-Mendota Canal Portion of the Delta-Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project, and Possible Recommendation to Board of Directors Regarding Same, Barajas/Arroyave**
6. **Recommendation to Board of Directors to Authorize Increase in Approved Contract Amount to \$466,440 for Previously Authorized Agreement for Services for DCI Unit 1 & 2 Motor Control Centers Replacement and Commissioning from the FY26 EO&M Budget, Arroyave/McNeil**

REPORT ITEMS

7. FY26 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 7/31/25
8. FY26 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 7/31/25
9. Contract/Procurement Activity Reports
10. Executive Director's Report
(May include reports on activities within the Finance & Administration Committee's jurisdiction related to 1) CVP/SWP water operations; 2) California storage projects; 3) regulation of the CVP/SWP; 4) existing or possible new State and Federal policies; 5) Water Authority activities)
11. Committee Member Reports
12. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3)
13. **ADJOURNMENT**

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SLDMWA FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING TELEPHONIC LOCATIONS
SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

15671 W. Oakland Ave
Five Points, CA 93624

**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY
FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AND
JOINT FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING-SPECIAL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP
MINUTES FOR AUGUST 4, 2025**

The Finance & Administration Committee of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority convened at approximately 12:00 p.m. at 842 6th Street in Los Banos, California, with Committee Chair Anthea Hansen presiding.

Members and Alternate Members in Attendance

Ex Officio

Cannon Michael
William Bourdeau

Division 1

Anthea Hansen, Chair/Member

Division 2

Justin Diener, Member - Stephen Farmer, Alternate

Division 3

Chris White, Member - Jarrett Martin, Alternate

Division 4

Brett Miller, Member - Vince Gin, Alternate

Division 5

Manny Amorelli, Alternate

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Wilson Orvis, Alternate

Board of Directors Present

Division 1

Anthea Hansen, Director

Division 2

Justin Diener, Alternate
William Bourdeau, Vice Chair/Director

Division 3

Chris White, Alternate
Jarrett Martin, Director
Cannon Michael, Director

Division 4

Dana Jacobson, Director
Brett Miller, Alternate

Division 5

Manny Amorelli, Director

Authority Representatives Present

Federico Barajas, Executive Director
Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer
Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel

Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director
Rebecca Harms, Deputy General Counsel
Raymond Tarka, Director of Finance
Bob Martin, O&M Director (via ZOOM)
Jaime McNeil, Engineering Manager
Lauren Viers, Accounting Manager
Stewart Davis, Information Technology Officer

Others in Attendance

Lea Emmons, City of Tracy (via ZOOM)
David Roose, DHR Hydro
Chase Hurley, Pacheco Water District
Russ Freeman, Westlands Water District

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Committee Chair Anthea Hansen called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00 p.m. and roll was called.

2. Additions or Corrections to the Agenda - No additions or corrections.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment - No public comment.

4. Finance & Administration Committee to Consider Approval of the July 7, 2025 Meeting Minutes

On a motion made by Member Brett Miller, seconded by Alternate Wilson Orvis, the Committee approved the July 7, 2025 meeting minutes with minor, non-substantive edits.

AYES: Michael, Bourdeau, Hansen, Diener, White, Miller, Amorelli, Orvis

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Following an unplanned and unwelcome Zoom interruption, staff stopped the Zoom transmission of the meeting; the in-person gathering also took a recess during this time. After approximately 10 minutes, the Zoom transmission and meeting resumed.

5. Recommendation to Board of Directors to Accept the Treasurer's Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2025

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka briefly reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Tarka stated that total cash as of June 30, 2025 was \$43,172,091.57. On a motion made by Member Chris White, seconded by Member Justin Diener, the Committee accepted the Treasurer's Report for the

quarter ending June 30, 2025.

AYES: Michael, Bourdeau, Hansen, Diener, White, Miller, Amorelli,
Orvis
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

6. Recommendation to Board of Directors to Adopt Resolution Authorizing Adoption of Amendments to the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Consolidated Procurement Policy

General Counsel Rebecca Akroyd presented the item. Akroyd began by providing information on the current Procurement Policy stating it was last updated in 2020, and staff desired to update the policy, including to adopt procurement methodologies available to other public entities for large construction projects to provide additional flexibility in construction contracting. Akroyd then presented the proposed changes, including additional changes that were not included in the packet relating to the informal bidding award and protest processes. Finance & Administration Committee members then engaged in discussion regarding the threshold for informal procurement. On a motion made by Member Justin Diener, seconded by Alternate Manny Amorelli the Committee recommended adoption of the Resolution authorizing adoption of amendments to the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Consolidated Procurement Policy, including the additional amendments relating to the informal bidding award and protest processes, with the caveat that the Board of Directors engage in additional discussion regarding the threshold for informal procurement prior to action.

AYES: Michael, Bourdeau, Hansen, Diener, White, Amorelli
NAYS: Orvis
ABSTENTIONS: None

7. Recommendation to Board of Directors to Authorize Award and Execution of Construction Agreements for Jones Pumping Plant Excitation Project, and Expenditure of Up to \$25,000,000 Utilizing Aging Infrastructure Account Funds

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave reviewed the items included in the packet. Arroyave stated that staff proposes to award six separate contracts to Power Pros, one for each unit. Arroyave noted \$250,000 will need to be included in future EO&M budget, and noted that additional funds may also be needed for Reclamation support. On a motion made by Alternate Wilson Orvis, seconded by Alternate Brett Miller, the Committee recommended authorization to award and execute construction agreements for Jones Pumping Plant Excitation Project, and expenditure of up to \$25,000,000 utilizing Aging Infrastructure Account funds.

AYES: Michael, Bourdeau, Hansen, Diener, White, Amorelli, Orvis
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

8. Recommendation to Board of Directors to Authorize Award of Contract, Execution of Construction Agreement for DMC Road Maintenance Chipseal, and Expenditure of Up to \$396,466 from the FY26 EO&M Budget

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave reviewed the items included in the packet. Arroyave stated the budgeted amount is to Chipseal approximately 25 miles of the DMC, with the current bid coming in under budget. On a motion made by Alternate Wilson Orvis, seconded by Member Chris White the Committee recommended authorization to award and execute construction agreements for DMC Road Maintenance Chipseal, and expenditure of up to \$396,466 from the FY26 EO&M Budget.

AYES: Michael, Bourdeau, Hansen, Diener, White, Amorelli, Orvis
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

9. Recommendation to Board of Directors to Authorize Execution of Change Order for O'Neill Pumping-Generating Plant Power Transformer Rehabilitations and Increase in Expenditure of Up to \$2,156,500 from the FY24 and FY26 EO&M Budgets

Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave reviewed the items included in the packet. Arroyave stated that the Authority has enough funds budgeted to cover these costs. Engineering Manager Jaime McNeil further clarified stating the funds budgeted were for this project and they are not funds being reallocated. Staff stated that after initial direction was received regarding the O'Neill Pumping-Generating Plant (OPP) Rehabilitation Project, direction was provided to divide the OPP Rehabilitation Project into a project with four separate outages, which resulted in increased costs. On a motion made by Member Justin Diener, seconded by Alternate Wilson Orvis the Committee recommended authorization to execute Change Order for O'Neill Pumping-Generating Plant power transformer rehabilitations and increase in expenditure of up to \$2,156,500 from the FY24 and FY26 EO&M Budgets.

AYES: Michael, Bourdeau, Hansen, Diener, White, Amorelli, Orvis
NAYS: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

REPORT ITEMS

10. FY26 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 6/30/2025

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the Budget to Actual Report through June

30, 2025 for the Activity Agreement funds. Tarka stated for the four-month period, the budget was trending positive overall with actual spending ending June 30, 2025 at \$2,029,685 or 15.11% of the approved budget.

II. FY26 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 6/30/2025

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported that for WY25, the self-funded routine O&M expenses thru June 30, 2025 are under budget by \$1,638,032 or 21.6%. This is mainly due to the timing of expenditures for O&M expenses in most cost pools. The water year 2022 and 2023 final accountings remain outstanding along with one payment from the Water Year 2022 Interim Final Accounting and the fiscal year 2023 and 2024 audits. The revised water year 2025 rates approved at the July meeting are now in effect. All contractors should now be using the revised advanced payment forms.

12. Procurement Activity Report

Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the procurement activity report for the period of July 1, 2025 through July 31, 2025. On July 8th, a contract was executed with Sytech Solutions for a document management system. The contract amount was \$121,700.00 and the funding source was the O&M budget. There were no contract change orders issued during this time.

13. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Federico Barajas provided the following updates:

- a. **Planning Committee Meeting** – Executive Director Federico Barajas stated that there is a Planning Committee meeting scheduled today at 1:30 p.m.
- b. **Sites Project** – Executive Director Federico Barajas stated formal negotiations for the Sites Project will begin in Sacramento on August 18th.
- c. **Operations** – Executive Director Federico Barajas referred to Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave to provide updates on operations and the O'Neill Pumping Plant. Arroyave stated that OPP is currently operating at 5 units and there is a scheduled outage October 6 - 25, and that Central Valley Operations (CVO) has indicated no associated water supply impact.

14. Committee Member Reports - No reports.

15. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Sec 54954.2 - No reports.

16. **Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:56 p.m.