



**Monday, September 8, 2025, 9:00 a.m.**

**Notice of Planning Committee Special Meeting and  
Joint Planning Committee Special Meeting – Special Finance & Administration  
Committee, Water Resources Committee, Operations & Maintenance Technical  
Committee, and Board of Directors 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 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Banos, CA 93635.

## **Agenda**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Planning Committee to Consider Corrections to the Agenda for the Planning 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 Planning Committee/Finance & Administration Committee/Water Resources Committee/Board of Directors

concerning any matter not on the Agenda, but within either Committee's jurisdiction. Public comment is limited to no more than three minutes per person. For good cause, the Chair of the Planning Committee may waive this limitation.

### **Action Items**

4. **Approval of August 4, 2025 Meeting Minutes and August 14, 2025 Special Workshop Minutes**
5. **Recommendation to Planning Committee and Board of Directors to Adopt Refinements to Cost Allocation Methodology and Scope for Phase 1 of the Upper DMC Portion of the Delta-Mendota Canal Portion of the Delta-Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project, Barajas**
  - a. Review of Information Relating to the Delta-Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project, including Illustrative Cost Share Scenarios

### **Report Items**

6. Discussion and Action Items for Future Planning Committee Meetings
7. **ADJOURNMENT**

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SLDMWA PLANNING COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING  
TELEPHONIC LOCATIONS  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

11500 E Cochise Dr, Unit 1103  
Scottsdale, AZ 85259

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

The Planning Committee of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority convened at approximately 1:30 p.m. at 842 6th Street in Los Banos, California, with Chair Justin Diener presiding.

**Members and Alternate Members Present**

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Member - Bobby Pierce, Alternate

**Division 2**

Justin Diener, Chair/Member

**Division 3**

Chris White, Member - Ric Ortega, Alternate

**Division 4**

Aaron Baker, Member - Dana Jacobson, Alternate

**Division 5**

Allison Febbo, Member - Manny Amorelli, Alternate

**Friant Water Authority**

Wilson Orvis, Alternate

**Finance & Administration Committee Members Present**

**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

**Friant Water Authority**

Wilson Orvis, Alternate

**Water Resources Committee Members Present**

**Ex-Officio**

Cannon Michael  
William Bourdeau

**Division 1**

Anthea Hansen, Alternate

**Division 2**

Absent

**Division 3**

Chris White, Member - Ric Ortega, Alternate

**Division 4**

Vince Gin, Member - Dana Jacobson, Alternate

**Division 5**

Manny Amorelli, Alternate

**Operations & Maintenance Technical Committee Members Present**

**Exchange Contractors**

Chris White, Chair/Member - Jarrett Martin, Alternate

**Friant Water Users Authority**

Absent

**Lower DMC Area**

Absent

**Mendota Pool Area**

Absent

**San Felipe Area**

Absent

**San Luis Canal Area**

Juan Cadena, Member

**SLDMWA Technical Staff**

Bob Martin, Member - Jaime McNeil, Alternate

**USBR Representatives**

Absent

**Upper DMC Area**

Bobby Pierce, Member

**Board of Directors Present**

**Division 1**

David Weisenberger, Director

Bobby Pierce, Director

Anthea Hansen, Director

**Division 2**

Justin Diener, Director

William Bourdeau, Director

Aaron Barcellos, Director

**Division 3**

Chris White, Alternate

Jarrett Martin, Director

Cannon Michael, Director

Ric Ortega, Director

**Division 4**

Aaron Baker, Alternate  
Dana Jacobson, Director  
Brett Miller, Alternate

**Division 5**

Allison Febbo, Director  
Manny Amorelli, Director

**FWA Representatives**

Absent

**Authority Representatives Present**

Federico Barajas, Executive Director  
Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer  
Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director  
Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel  
Rebecca Harms, Deputy General Counsel  
Jacob Bejarano, Senior Civil/Mechanical/Electrical Engineer (via ZOOM)  
Stewart Davis, IT Officer

**Others in Attendance**

Richard Welsh, Hallmark Group  
Russ Freeman, Westlands Water District  
Chuck Gardner, Hallmark Group  
Jessica Alwan, Hallmark Group  
Steve Stadler, San Luis Water District  
Brian Silva, San Luis Water District  
Patrick McGowan, Panoche Water District (via ZOOM)  
John Wiersma, Henry Miller Reclamation District  
Lea Emmons, City of Tracy (via ZOOM)  
Aniruddha Bhattacharya, USBR

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Chair Justin Diener called the meeting to order at approximately 1:30 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. Planning Committee to Consider Approval of the June 2, 2025 Meeting Minutes.**

Chair Justin Diener deemed the June 2, 2025 meeting minutes approved without correction.

**5. Review of Information Relating to the Delta-Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project.**

Executive Director Federico Barajas introduced the item, and then introduced Richard Welsh from the Hallmark Group. Welsh reviewed a PowerPoint presentation regarding issues responsive to questions raised in the July Workshop, which included, 1) Liner Sag Investigation for Priority Pools, 2) Partial Pool 1 Scenario L-2ft Raise. General Counsel Rebecca Akroyd then provided a brief status update on Planning Committee member information requests regarding 1) Cost Allocation Methodologies/Rate Analysis, 2) Baseline Conditions/Constructability/Problem Areas, 3) DMC Crossings, 4) Deferred Maintenance/Current Condition, 5) Intertie, 6) Direct/Indirect Benefits, and 7) Subsidence. Akroyd reviewed the memorandum included in the packet regarding Delta-Mendota Canal Crossings.

Staff and consultants answered committee member questions throughout the presentation.

**6. Discussion Regarding Ideas, Concepts, and Set of Principles for Cost Allocation Recommendations.**

Executive Director Federico Barajas reported that he is looking at scheduling an in-person Planning Committee Workshop as soon as possible to develop a recommendation and action item for the September Committee and Board meetings in regards to Phase 1.

**7. Discussion and Action Items for Future Planning Committee Meetings.**

Executive Director Federico Barajas asked Committee members to send in any items that they would like included on next month's agenda.

**8. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Sec 54954.2 – No reports.**

**9. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:35 p.m.**

**SAN LUIS & DELTA-MENDOTA WATER AUTHORITY  
PLANNING COMMITTEE SPECIAL WORKSHOP  
MINUTES FOR AUGUST 14, 2025**

The Planning Committee of the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority convened at approximately 11:35 a.m. at 842 6th Street in Los Banos, California, with Chair Justin Diener presiding.

**Members and Alternate Members Present**

**Division 1**

Bobby Pierce, Alternate

**Division 2**

Justin Diener, Chair/Member - Lon Martin, Alternate

**Division 3**

Chris White, Member

**Division 4**

Aaron Baker, Member - Dana Jacobson, Alternate

**Division 5**

Allison Febbo, Member (arrived during item 5) - Manny Amorelli, Alternate

**Friant Water Authority**

Jason Phillips, Member - Wilson Orvis, Alternate

**Authority Representatives Present**

Federico Barajas, Executive Director

Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer

Scott Petersen, Water Policy Director

Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel

**Others in Attendance**

Steve Stadler, San Luis Water District

Ian Buck-Macleod, Friant Water Authority

John Wiersma, Henry Miller Reclamation District

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

Chair Justin Diener called the meeting to order at approximately 11:35 a.m. and roll was called.

**2. Corrections to the Agenda - No corrections.**

**3. Opportunity for Public Comment - No public comment.**

**4. Review of Information Relating to the Delta-Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project.**

Executive Director Federico Barajas reviewed the documents included in the packet,



information presented in prior Planning Committee meetings and workshops. Barajas reviewed the suite of options for Phase 1, including possible funding sources.

**5. Discussion Regarding Planning Committee Recommendations Relating to the Delta-Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction Project.**

- a. Phase 1 Project Composition
- b. Cost Allocation Recommendation for Phase 1
- c. Discussion and Action Items for Future Planning Committee Meetings

Planning Committee Chair Justin Diener initiated discussion regarding recommendations relating to Phase 1 project composition and cost allocation recommendations for the same. Committee members provided input regarding high-priority repairs and principles that should inform cost allocation recommendations, as well as individual thoughts on how to allocate non-reimbursable funding that has been and will be received.

In discussing action items for future Planning Committee meetings, committee members directed staff to develop a recommendation for Phase 1 that includes a scope including Check 1 work, sag area repairs, and panel replacement, with a goal of utilizing non-reimbursable funding for the same. In addition, committee members directed continued pursuit of cost allocation recommendations for discrete components of the DMC Subsidence Correction Project, and provided direction to bring principles of cost allocation back to the Planning Committee for consideration.

**6. Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:50 p.m.