



Meeting Minutes

Date & Time: 12/8/2025 | 12:00 PM
Location: SLDMWA Boardroom
842 6th Street, Los Banos

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority Finance and Administration Committee Regular Meeting and Joint Finance and Administration Committee Regular Meeting – Special Board of Directors Workshop

Attendance

Committee Members Present

Ex-Officio: Absent
Division 1: Anthea Hansen, Chair/Member
Division 2: Justin Diener, Member (ZOOM)
Stephen Farmer, Alternate
Division 3: Jarrett Martin, Alternate
Division 4: Brett Miller, Member
Division 5: Manny Amorelli, Alternate
FWA: Wilson Orvis, Alternate

Division 5: Manny Amorelli, Director
FWA Representative: Absent

Authority Representatives Present

Federico Barajas, Executive Director
Pablo Arroyave, Chief Operating Officer
Rebecca Akroyd, General Counsel
Rebecca Harms, Deputy General Counsel
Ray Tarka, Director of Finance
Eddie Reyes, Information Systems Technician

Board of Directors Present

Division 1: Anthea Hansen, Director
Division 2: Justin Diener, Alternate (ZOOM)
Division 3: Jarrett Martin, Director
Division 4: Brett Miller, Alternate

Others Present

None

Agenda

Item	Topic	Lead
1.	Call to Order/Roll Call – The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Anthea Hansen at approximately 12:00 p.m. and roll was called.	
2	Additions or Corrections to the Agenda of Items, as authorized by Government Code Section 54950 et seq. – No additions or corrections.	
3.	Opportunity for Public Comment – No public comment.	
4.	Finance and Administration Committee to Consider Approval of the November 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes – M/S - On a motion made by Member Brett Miller, seconded by Alternate Wilson Orvis, the Committee approved the November 3, 2025 meeting minutes. Vote: Ayes – Hansen, Diener, Martin, Miller, Amorelli, Orvis; Nays – 0; Abstentions – 0.	

5. **FY26 Activity Agreements Budget to Actual Report through 10/31/25** - Tarka
Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the Budget to Actual Report through October 31, 2025 for the Activity Agreement funds. Tarka stated the budget was trending positive overall with actual spending ending October 31, 2025 at \$5,199,228 or 38.71% of the approved budget.

6. **FY26 O&M Budget to Actual Report through 10/31/2025** – Director of Finance Raymond Tarka reported that for WY25, the self-funded routine O&M expenses through October 31, 2025 are under budget by \$442,915 or 2.92%, mainly due to the timing of expenditures for O&M expenses in most cost pools. Intertie conveyance costs continue to trend over-budget. The fiscal year 2024 and 2025 audits are underway and will be completed as soon as possible. Tarka answered questions throughout the presentation.

7. **Contract/Procurement Activity Report** – Director of Finance Raymond Tarka presented the Contract/Procurement Activity Report for the period of November 1, 2025 through November 30, 2025. On November 12th, a contract was issued with Target Specialty Products in the amount of \$130,326.05 for the supply and delivery of pesticides. The funding source is the O&M budget. On November 13th, a fourth contract change order was issued with DHR Hydro, Inc. in the amount of \$84,100.00 for the arc flash investigation and fault analysis project.

8. **Accounting Updates** – Director of Finance Raymond Tarka began by reviewing the corrective action plan in response to the FY2023 single audit findings. Tarka stated that staff has begun a grant management certification program in order to better manage grant funds and reporting. The accounting department is now fully staffed, which will assist with any backlog work and a compressed audit timeline. Tarka answered questions throughout the presentation.

9. **Executive Director's Report** Barajas

- O'Neill Pumping/Generating Plant** – Executive Director Federico Barajas reported that repayment negotiations with U.S. Bureau of Reclamation will take place tomorrow. \$11.6 million has already been awarded for the O'Neill Pumping Plan Rehabilitation Project.
- Budget Workshop** – Executive Director Federico Barajas reported that the annual budget workshop will take place December 18th at Hotel Mission De Oro.
- Operations** – Chief Operating Officer Pablo Arroyave reported that the DCI outage is expected to be completed by the end of the week. Arroyave also reported that Hitachi was able to come out to the O'Neill Pumping/Generating Plant this week to test the spare transformer to see if foreign material is present.

10. **Committee Member Reports** – No reports.

11. **Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3)** – No reports.
12. **Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:30 p.m.