

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SEMITROPIC WATER
STORAGE DISTRICT AND ITS GSA AND SEMITROPIC,
BUTTONWILLOW, POND-POSO, AND WILDLIFE
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

Convened at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by President Waterhouse on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 12:30p.m., at the Semitropic Water Storage District (District) office located at 1101 Central Avenue, Wasco, California.

Directors Present: Dan Waterhouse, Tim Thomson, Philip Portwood,
Chad W. Carroll, Todd Tracy, Jeff Fabbri, David Daniel

Directors Absent: None

Other Participants: General Manager, Jason Gianquinto
District Engineer, Isela Medina
District Controller, Bobby Salinas
District Contract Administrator, Becky Ortiz
District Superintendent, John Lynch
Receptionist, Yesenia Ramirez
District Legal Counsel, Steve Torigiani
Larry Rodriguz (GEL)
Greg Allen (REDtrac)
Dean Florez (Balance)
Geoff King (Barbich Hooper King)
Mark Gehring (Barbich Hooper King)
)
Geoff Vanden Heuvel (Milk Producers Council)
Floyd Wicks (Agua Via)
Oscar Lopez (Wonderful Orchards)
Brent Hankins (Hankins Farms)
Maddie Reyes (Illume Ag.)
Madonna Lang (Laborde Land)
Justin Murray (AG Thought)
Travis Millwee (Pacific Resources)

Steven Piggott (Nuveen Natural Capitol)
Kaho Kong (Valley Water)
Ty Alexander (Manulife)
Arnoldo Barajas (Manulife)
Jake Bittle

President Waterhouse opened the meeting and welcomed all guests. Attendance was taken and recorded.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Agenda

No Action; no changes to the Agenda.

Minutes

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2025, and the GSA Meeting of May 14, 2025, were presented for approval.

On motion by Director Portwood, seconded by Director Tracy and unanimously carried, the minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2025, and the GSA Meeting May 14, 2025, were approved as presented.

Consider Acceptance of 2023-2024 Audited Financial Statements

Mr. Geoff King of Barbich Hooper King Dill Hoffman presented the Audited Financial Statements for 2023-2024. Mr. Mark Gehring of Barbich Hooper King Dill Hoffman stated that there were no disagreements or issues to the report.

On motion by Director Daniel, seconded by Director Portwood and unanimously carried the Board accepted the Audited Financial Statements for 2023-2024.

Treasurer's Reports

The Treasurer's report for May 2025 were presented for review and approval.

On motion by Director Daniel, seconded by Director Portwood and unanimously carried, the Treasurer's Reports for May 2025 for the Semitropic Water Storage District and Semitropic Improvement District were approved for filing.

Financial Report

The District Controller, Bobby Salinas, reviewed the Income Statements for May 2025 and noted that the Financial Report was not presented due to new system updates.

Accounts Payable

The Cash Disbursement List for June 11, 2025, was presented for review, approval, and payment.

On motion by Director Portwood, seconded by Director Thomson and unanimously carried, the Board authorized payment of the Accounts Payable as listed on the June 11, 2025, Disbursement List for Semitropic Water Storage District and Semitropic Improvement District. A copy of the Disbursement List presenting the payments that were approved is attached hereto as "Exhibit A."

Consider 2025 Budget Update

District Controller, Bobby Salinas, presented the updated 2025 Budget.

On Motion by Director Daniel, seconded by Director Tracy and unanimously carried, the Board adopted the updated 2025 Budget.

Consider Award of Construction Contract for Specifications No. PP-505 for Constructing the Delta Pipeline Improvements Project

District Engineer, Isela Medina, presented an update on the Delta Pipeline Improvements Project and provided an overview of the bids received.

On Motion by Director Carrol, seconded by Director Thomson and unanimously carried, the Board authorized award of the contract to Nicholas Construction for Specification No. PP-505 for construction of the Delta Pipeline Improvements Project.

Consider GEI Task Order 03-2025 for Providing Construction Management Services to Support the Implementation of the Delta Pipeline Improvements Project

District Engineer, Isela Medina, presented an overview of GEI Task Order 03-2025 that was included in the Board Packet and requested approval from the Board.

On Motion by Director Fabbri, seconded by Director Portwood and unanimously carried, the Board authorized execution of GEI Task Order 03-2025 for Providing Construction Management Services to Support the Implementation of the Delta Pipeline Improvements Project.

Consider Emergency Declaration and Resolution No. ST 25-03 Authorizing Emergency Work Without Giving Notice for Bids Pursuant to Public Contract Code Sect 22050 (a)(1) to Address Immediate Replacement of Discharge Manifold Pipe for the Pond Poso PP

District Engineer, Isela Medina presented an overview of the proposed Emergency Declaration and Resolution No. ST 25-03 that was included in the Board Packet and requested approval from the Board.

On Motion by Director Portwood, seconded by Director Daniel and unanimously carried by roll call vote, the Board adopted the Resolution No. ST 25-03.

The General Manager called for a roll call vote to approve Resolution No. ST 25-03. The following is a record of the roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Waterhouse, Portwood, Daniel, Thomson, Tracy, Carroll, and Fabbri
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

The President announced that the motion carried.

Consider Work Authorization and Agreement with WM Lyles for Replacement of Discharge Manifold Pipe for the Pond Poso PP

District Engineer, Isela Medina, presented an overview of the Work Authorization and Agreement with WM Lyles for Replacement of Discharge Manifold Pipe for the Pond Poso PP and recommend approval from the Board.

On Motion by Director Tracy, seconded by Director Carroll, the Board adopted the Work Authorization and Agreement with WM Lyles for Replacement of Discharge Manifold Pipe for the Pond Poso PP

1:00 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING - NOTICE OF FILING OF PRELIMINARY ROLL REGARDING GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL PROJECT SERVICE CHARGES AND FIXING OF PRELIMINARY RATES APPLICABLE THERETO AND OF TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING OF OBJECTIONS TO ROLL (2025; COLLECTED 2025-2026), AND CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS ADOPTING THE ROLL, SETTING SERVICE CHARGES, ETC.: (i) RESOLUTION NO. PP 25-04, (ii) RESOLUTION BW NO. 25-04, and (iii) RESOLUTION NO. ST 25-04

President Waterhouse called the Hearing to order at 1:03 p.m. and stated that this was the time and place for the public hearing to hear objections to the preliminary roll for General Administrative and General Project Service Charges and to finalize the rolls and rates for said service charges for 2025-2026.

District's legal counsel, Steve Torigiani, stated that at the May 14, 2025, regular meeting of the Board of Directors, with adoption of Resolutions Nos. BW 25-02 and PP 25-02, the Board preliminarily fixed the amounts to be collected for the General Administrative and General Project Service Charges for 2025 for the Buttonwillow Improvement District and Pond-Poso

Improvement District. Mr. Torigiani offered the following items to be marked as indicated and attached to these Minutes:

Affidavits of Publication prepared by The Bakersfield Californian showing publication of the Notice of Filing of Preliminary Roll and Rates and of this Hearing.

To be marked Exhibit B-BW and Exhibit B-PP.

Affidavit of Mailing of Notice of this Hearing to landowners in the Buttonwillow and Pond-Poso Improvement Districts expected to receive a charge.

To be marked Exhibit C.

A reduced copy of the map in the roll of the Semitropic Water Storage District and the Buttonwillow and Pond-Poso Improvement Districts for reference as needed.

To be marked Exhibit D.

A Memorandum from General Manager Jason Gianquinto dated June 11, 2025.

To be marked Exhibit E.

On motion by Director Tracy, seconded by Director Portwood and unanimously carried by roll call vote, all the Exhibits heretofore offered and marked as Exhibits B through E were received and will be attached to the minutes and made a part of the record of the public hearing. The following is a record of the roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Waterhouse, Portwood, Daniel, Thomson, Tracy, Carroll, and Fabbri
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

The President announced that the motion carried.

District Council Steve Torigiani reported that as described in the resolutions adopted at the May 14, 2025, Board of Director's meeting, the preliminary rates developed are as follows:

For Buttonwillow Improvement District, the General Administrative Service Charge is \$1.50 per acre and the General Project Service Charge is \$139.40 per acre. The Special Minimum General Project Service Charge for recreational land and irrigated native pasture is \$10.90 per acre, and made no change to the New Lands Surcharge.

For Pond-Poso Improvement District, the General Administrative Service Charge is \$1.50

per acre and the General Project Service Charge is \$139.40 per acre. The Special Minimum General Project Service Charge for recreational land and irrigated native pasture is \$10.90 per acre, and made no change to the New Lands Surcharge

President Waterhouse asked if any person at the hearing desired to make any objections or comments. There were no objections or comments made or submitted verbally or in writing at the hearing. Staff confirmed that no written or verbal objections or comments regarding the preliminary roll or rates for said service charges, including final adoption and fixing of the same, were received by the District prior to the hearing regarding this matter, and President Waterhouse closed the Hearing.

Legal counsel, Steve Torigiani stated that now is the time and place set by the Board to adopt the final Roll and fix the General Administrative and General Project Service Charges. He stated the action taken by the Board would be in the form of resolutions requiring a roll call vote.

On motion by Director Daniel, seconded by Director Portwood, the Semitropic Board of Directors adopted the following **Resolution No. BW 25-04**. The General Manager called for a roll call vote on the motion. The following is a record of the roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Waterhouse, Portwood, Daniel, Thomson, Tracy, and Carroll
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Fabbri
ABSTAIN:	None

The President announced that the motion carried.

Resolution No. BW 25-04

RESOLUTION FINALIZING ROLL OF GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL PROJECT SERVICE CHARGES; FIXING RATES PER ACRE FOR SAID CHARGES; ORDERING THAT THE SAME BE COLLECTED FROM THE OWNERS OF LANDS RECEIVING THE BENEFIT THEREOF AND ELECTING THAT SUCH CHARGES BE COLLECTED BY THE COUNTY OF KERN (2025; COLLECTED 2025-2026)

On motion by Director Portwood, seconded by Director Thomson, the Semitropic Board of Directors adopted the following **Resolution No. PP 25-04**. The General Manager called for a roll call vote on the motion. The following is a record of the roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Waterhouse, Portwood, Daniel, Thomson, Tracy, and Carroll
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Fabbri
ABSTAIN:	None

The President announced that the motion carried.

Resolution No. PP 25-04

RESOLUTION FINALIZING ROLL OF GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND

GENERAL PROJECT SERVICE CHARGES; FIXING RATES PER ACRE FOR SAID CHARGES; ORDERING THAT THE SAME BE COLLECTED FROM THE OWNERS OF LANDS RECEIVING THE BENEFIT THEREOF AND ELECTING THAT SUCH CHARGES BE COLLECTED BY THE COUNTY OF KERN (2025; COLLECTED 2025-2026)

In furtherance of collection of the General Administrative and General Project Service Charges by the County, the following action was taken.

On motion by Director Thomson, seconded by Director Daniel, the Board adopted the following **Resolution No. ST 25-04**. The General Manager called for a roll call vote on the motion. The following is a record of the roll call vote

AYES: Directors Waterhouse, Portwood, Daniel, Thomson, Tracy, and Carroll
NOES: None
ABSENT: Fabbri
ABSTAIN: None
The President announced that the motion carried.

Resolution No. ST 25-04

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF KERN AND THE SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT FOR THE COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS (GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL PROJECT SERVICE CHARGES)

SEMITROPIC WSD GSA UPDATE

At 1:25 p.m., the Board President, Dan Waterhouse declared a meeting of the Semitropic Water Storage District Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

SGMA Updates and Discussion

General Manager, Jason Gianquinto provided an update regarding the District's SGMA related activities.

Discussion and possible action to: (1) approve final draft amendments to Groundwater Sustainability Plan and supporting addendices including appendix of projects and management actions for the Groundwater Sustainability Agency, (2) authorize their submission by the Kern County Subbasin Point of Contact to the State Water Resources Control Board before June 20th for review by SWRCB staff, and (3) authorize their release for public review and comment.

Following discussion of the above described-item, on motion by Director Thomson, seconded by Director Carroll and unanimously carried, the Board approved the submittal of the final draft amendments to the 2025 Groundwater Sustainability Plan and supporting addendices including appendix of projects and management actions for the Groundwater Sustainability Agency, authorized their submission by the Kern County Subbasin Point of Contact to the State Water Resources Control Board before June 20th for review by SWRCB staff, and authorized their

release for public review and comment.

The GSA meeting adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

CONSULTANT REPORTS

SWRU – Construction Update by W.M. Lyles

W.M. Lyle's Representative, Rick Amigh, was not present. W.M. Lyle's progress report was included with the Board Packet.

Consulting Engineer's Report

Larry Rodriguez, from GEI Consultants, presented and summarized GEI's Consulting Engineering Report for May 2025, which was provided on the day of the Board Meeting.

Balance Public Relations

Dean Florez of Balance Public Relations gave a brief review on his monthly report included with the Board Packet.

REDtrac

Greg Allen of REDTrac presented and summarized the Well Telemetry Project and Energy Cost Allocation Report. A report from REDTrac was provided on the day of the Board Meeting.

INFORMATIONAL AND UP-DATE ITEMS

General Manager, Jason Gianquinto, informed the Board of the recent SWP allocation increase to 50% and noted that District staff are working with our banking partners to update their banking needs for 2025.

District Engineer, Isela Medina, provided a summary of the District's Engineer's activities discussed in the Staff Report.

District Superintendent, John Lynch, provided an overview of the Operations and Maintenance Report included in the Board Packet.

At 2:30pm, President Waterhouse adjourned the Regular Board meeting, and it was reported that there was a need for the Board to reconvene to closed session.

Closed Session

At 2:45 pm the meeting continued with Closed Session.

Participants included:

Directors Present: Dan Waterhouse, Tim Thomson, Philip Portwood, Chad Carroll, Todd Tracy, David Daniel, Jeff Fabbri

Directors Absent: None

Other Participants: District Controller, Bobby Salinas
District's Legal Counsel, Steve Torigiani
District Engineer, Isela Medina
District Contract Administrator, Becky Ortiz

- a. **Conference with legal counsel Re: Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(d))**
 - 1) Various applications filed for Kings River Water by Semitropic WSD, et al.; Petition for Change of Points of Diversion, etc. (License 11521) filed by Kings River Water Assn.; and related matters and proceedings, before the State Water Resources Control Bd.
 - 2) Sierra Club v. California Department of Water Resources (DWR), etc. Re: Consolidated CEQA Case and "Complaint for Validation" Re: Delta Program Revenue Bonds, Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 34-2020-80003517 (consolidated), Third Appellate Dist., Case No. C100552
 - 3) Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District v. Kern County Water Agency, et al., Kern County Superior Court, Case No. BCV-21-100418
 - 4) Semitropic Water Storage Dist. v. The Dow Chemical Co., et al., Kern County Sup. Ct., Case No. BCV-21-102528
 - 5) Sierra Club, et al., v. DWR, Sacramento County Sup. Ct., Case No. 24WM000008, and related cases, challenging DCP EIR
 - 6) DWR v. All Persons Interested in the Matter of the Authorization of Delta Conveyance Program Bonds, etc., Sacramento County Sup. Ct., Case No. 25CV000704
- b. **Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Anticipated Litigation: Possible exposure to litigation pursuant Gov't Code § 54956.9(d)(2).**
 - 1) Two Items.
- c. **Conference with Legal Counsel Re: Anticipated Litigation: Possible initiation of litigation pursuant to Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(4)**
 - 1) Two Items
- d. **Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Govt. Code § 54956.8)**

District's Designated Representative: General
Manager Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of
Payment

 - 1) Property: State Water Project Supplies
 - a. Negotiation With: California Department of Water Resources, Kern County Water Agency and its Member Units, And State Water Contractors
 - 2) Property: Acquisition of Water Supplies
 - a. Negotiation with: Multiple sellers
 - 3) Property: Various

a. Negotiation with: Nuveen

At 3:33 p.m. the Board reconvened to open session.

President Waterhouse stated that several items were discussed, but no reportable action was taken in closed session.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:44p.m. by President Waterhouse.

APPROVED:



Daniel Waterhouse, President


Todd Tracy, Secretary

Board Day Presentation
SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT
DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED AT June 11, 2025 BOARD MEETING

MAY AFTER BOARD MEETING

SEMITROPIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Special Projects

1	Concepts in Controls, Inc.- SCADA System Upgrade Phase 2	\$ 50,123.00
2	GEI Consultants*	173,459.90
3	Kehoe Testing & Engineering, Inc.- Geotechnical Evaluations for potential subsurface recharge sites	33,592.50
		\$ <u>257,175.40</u>

Operation Maintenance

4	Acid Source, Inc- sulfuric acid	\$ 9,180.00
5	Avadine- engineer/analyst - 2025 Dataset Export/Isela Medina	105.00
6	Bakersfield Drug Testing- drug tests	115.00
7	Bakersfield Paint & Wallpaper- pumping plant paint	3,554.36
8	BSK Analytical Laboratories- water testing for well sampling program	8,574.00
9	FedEx- packages	95.76
10	Frontier Communications - data communication for substation	72.75
11	Gas Company- office utilities	57.74
12	Grapevine MSP Technology Services- MSP Agrmnt, Patch Mgmt.,Secure offsite data backup,adv.email security (June)	4,343.80
13	Jeffries Bros., Inc. - gasoline, diesel fuel & petroleum products	10,514.66
14	Knight's Pumping & Portable - portable toilet & services	506.05
15	Northern Digital, Inc.- ST3 Turbine Generator PLC troubleshooting and repair	7,281.83
16	Office Depot- office supplies	234.58
17	Perkins, Scott- safety boots	100.00
18	PG&E Company - ownership line, power charges & utilities on PG&E lines	258.33
19	Pitney Bowes Bank Inc Purchase Power- supplies	368.34
20	SBS of Bakersfield, Inc.- office copier (copy charges for May)	338.20
21	Sparkle Uniform & Linen Service- uniforms, shop mats, & towels rental & office apparel	837.86
22	Tel-Tec Security Systems, Inc.- DMP Wireless Repeater	419.75
23	Waterbender LLC - scale inhibitor	1,158.39
	Operating Expense Subtotal	\$ <u>48,116.40</u>

TOTAL BILLS FOR MAY AFTER BOARD MEETING \$ 305,291.80

+ (Additional disbursements or adjusted amounts.)

*(See page 2 for Special Project Funds)

** (See page 2 for breakdown)

EXHIBIT A

****BREAKDOWN OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR June 11, 2025 BOARD MEETING**

GEI Consultants, Inc. - *

General engineering fees, GW Modeling & expenses	\$	24,982.55	
SGMA Implementation		35,219.31	
IRWMP Expense		343.13	R
Tulare Lake Flood Control Project		1,406.42	
Delta Pipeline Improv. Project		111,508.49	G
	\$	<u>173,459.90</u>	

G Grant	\$	111,508.49	
R Reimbursed		343.13	
	\$	<u>111,851.62</u>	

JUNE 2025 BOARD MAILING**SEMITROPIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT****Special Projects**

24	Downey Brand- professional services Tulare Lake Flood control proj.	\$	735.00
25	Downey Brand- professional services Groundwater Issues		16,876.00
26	W.M. Lyles Co- SWRU Phase 2 System X		1,388.75
27	Shafter Wasco Publishing, LLC- legal advertising for PCCP Delta Pipeline		1,847.32 G
28	Young Wooldridge*		18,258.05
Special Projects Subtotal \$			<u><u>39,105.12</u></u>

Operation Maintenance

29	Acid Source, Inc- sulfuric acid	\$	9,120.00
30	American Refuse- trash service for shop		308.54
31	American TireTec-used tire disposal		11.20
32	AT&T- telephone services		1,360.79
33	AT&T- long distance charges		49.63
34	Avadine- engineer/analyst - senior & monthly software products license maintenance/support agreement May		950.00
35	The Bakersfield Californian- legal notices		2,295.76
36	Bakersfield Paint & Wallpaper- pumping plant paint		1,619.98
37	Balance Public Relations- lobbying services		13,500.00
38	BSK Analytical Laboratories- water testing for well sampling program		3,806.00
39	Buena Vista Groundwater Sustainability Agency- funding for the SGMA CC		17,234.29
40	Charter Communications (Spectrum)- internet		356.25
41	Coastline Equipment - John Deere backhoe repair		1,162.04
42	Coverall - office cleaning services for June		702.00
43	FedEx- packages		129.31
44	Grainger- high voltage phase & volt meter		2,981.45
45	Hernandez, Aldo- safety boots		100.00
46	Home Depot- May supplies for O&M		781.41
47	Jeffries Bros., Inc. - gasoline, diesel fuel & petroleum products		7,571.20
48	Jim Burke Ford- May shop supplies		2,916.43
49	Kern Delta Water District- billing for share of Kern Subbasin Legal Representation		3,000.00
50	Linde Gas & Equipment, Inc.- cylinder rental		58.15
51	McMaster-Carr- pump repair supplies & semi #3 Hydro generator hydraulic power unit		206.38
52	Myers Diesel Repair, Inc.- Unit #325 repair		9,886.63
53	O'Reilly Auto Parts- shop supplies		1,292.37
54	PG&E Company - ownership line, power charges & utilities on PG&E lines		4,957.93
55	Primo Brands- water for shop		472.65
56	RedTrac, LLC.- Well Telem Monitoring (June)		5,354.00
57	Reserve Account- postage		1,000.00
58	Richland Chevrolet- parts and supplies for May		11,292.23
59	Sparkle Uniform & Linen Service- uniforms, shop mats, & towels rental & office apparel		885.55
60	T-Mobile - internet access for communication with Solar Site		27.00
61	Tel-Tec Security Systems, Inc.- service labor & shop monitoring services (June)		220.00
62	United Tracking Systems, LLC- Water Dashboard Subscription		8,241.00
63	US Postal Service- renewal fee for PO Box 8043		382.00
64	Verizon Wireless - cell phones substation, solar site, on call, superintendent, dispatch, IT, CFO, & General Manager		664.23
65	City of Wasco- water, sewer, and trash services for office (May)		901.73
66	Wasco Automotive & Smog- smog inspection on units #04, #196 and #198		180.00
67	Waterbender LLC - scale inhibitor		4,653.50
68	Wells Fargo Business Cards-**		8,471.11
69	Zultys, Inc.- monthly charges for phone system (June)		997.97
Operating Expense Subtotal \$			<u><u>130,100.71</u></u>

SEMITROPIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**Easements Delta Pipeline Project**

70	Payvand Farms LLC	\$	6,735.50
	David Te Velde and Alice Te Velde		810.00
	Candy Grapes JV. LLC		125.00
	Magnolia Pacific Farms, LLC		7,114.50
	Magnolia Almonds, LLC		23,519.00
	G3 Farms, LLC		169.00
			<u>\$ 38,473.00</u> G

TOTAL BILLS FOR JUNE BOARD MAILING \$ 207,678.83

S.W.S.D - Payroll Accounts - transfer of funds from S.I.D. for May payroll \$ 577,646.85

JUNE 2025 AFTER BOARD MAILING**SEMITROPIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT****Special Projects**

71	Kenneth Schmidt and Associates- Groundwater Monitoring Program	5,571.00 R
72	W.M. Lyles Co- Operate 300 CFS RWPP 2025	17,542.44
		<u>Special Projects Subtotal \$ 23,113.44</u>

Operation Maintenance

73	De Lage Landen Financial Services, Inc.- office copier (June)	\$	401.17
74	Jeffries Bros., Inc. - gasoline, diesel fuel & petroleum products		2,779.71
75	Kern Trophies- new name plate for board member		41.14
76	Office Depot- office supplies		567.49
77	PG&E Company - ownership line, power charges & utilities on PG&E lines		1,038.96
78	A.C. Poettgen- monthly cylinder rental (May 2025)		126.00
79	Shafter Parts and Supply, Inc.- May shop supplies for O&M		3,887.42
80	South Tulare Richgrove Refuse Inc.- trash service for drilling yard		506.88
81	Strategic Policies LLC- consulting services and expenses for May		6,060.00
			<u>Operating Expense Subtotal \$ 15,408.77</u>

TOTAL BILLS FOR JUNE 2025 AFTER BOARD MAILING \$ 38,522.21

TOTAL BILLS FOR MAY 2025 AFTER BOARD MEETING \$ 305,291.80

TOTAL BILLS FOR JUNE 2025 BOARD MAILING \$ 207,678.83

TOTAL BILLS FOR JUNE 2025 AFTER BOARD MAILING \$ 38,522.21

TOTAL BILLS TO BE APPROVED AT BOARD MEETING \$ 551,492.84

+ (Additional disbursements or adjusted amounts.)

*(See page 5 for Special Project Funds)

**(See page 5 for breakdown)

****BREAKDOWN OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR June 11, 2025 BOARD MEETING**

68 Wells Fargo Business Cards**

Operating Supplies - Bobby Salinas	\$	599.00
Operating Supplies- Ralph Sanchez		275.41
Operating Supplies- John Lynch		5,788.69
Operating Supplies- Yesenia Ramirez		1,426.12
Travel expenses - Isela Medina		115.55
Fuel & Operating Supplies- Jason Gianquinto		266.34
	\$	<u><u>8,471.11</u></u>

28 Young, Wooldridge, LLP - *

Legal fees & expenses	\$	13,662.55
High Speed Rail Project Phase 7 -		877.50 R
Delta Pipeline Conv. Improv. Project		3,636.75 G
Subsurface Recharge		81.25 G
	\$	<u><u>18,258.05</u></u>

G Grant	\$	44,038.32
R Reimbursed		6,448.50
	\$	<u><u>50,486.82</u></u>

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THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Briana Fisher

DATED AT BAKERSFIELD CALIFORNIA

5/28/25

EXHIBIT B - BW

SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT
ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF
BUTTONWILLOW IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
OF THE
SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT

NOTICE OF FILING OF PRELIMINARY ROLL AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE
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of assessable land in the District, and the acreage and classification of each such
parcel as is to receive a General Administrative Service Charge and/or a General
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upon request by calling the District's general phone number (661) 758-5113.

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hearing of said Board of Directors for the filing of objections to the charges
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forth in said roll for finalizing said roll for finalizing rates for said respective
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to the District at P.O. Box 8043, Wasco, California 93280, or by phone, (661)
758-5113, to the attention of Mr. Jason Giamantini.

DATED: May 12, 2025

John Todd Tracy
Secretary of the Board of Directors

May 21, 2025
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**SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT
ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF
BUTTONWILLOW IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
OF THE
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DATED: May 12, 2025

/s/ Todd Tracy
Secretary of the Board of Directors

Exhibit B - BW

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DATED AT BAKERSFIELD CALIFORNIA

5/28/25

EXHIBIT B - PP

**SEMITROPIC WATER STORAGE DISTRICT
ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF
POND-POSO IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
OF THE
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DATED: May 12, 2025

Todd Tracy
Secretary of the Board of Directors

May 21, 28, 2025
475995

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DATED: May 14, 2025

/s/ Todd Tracy
Secretary of the Board of Directors

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss
COUNTY OF KERN)

Assistant Secretary of the
Board of Directors

EXHIBIT C

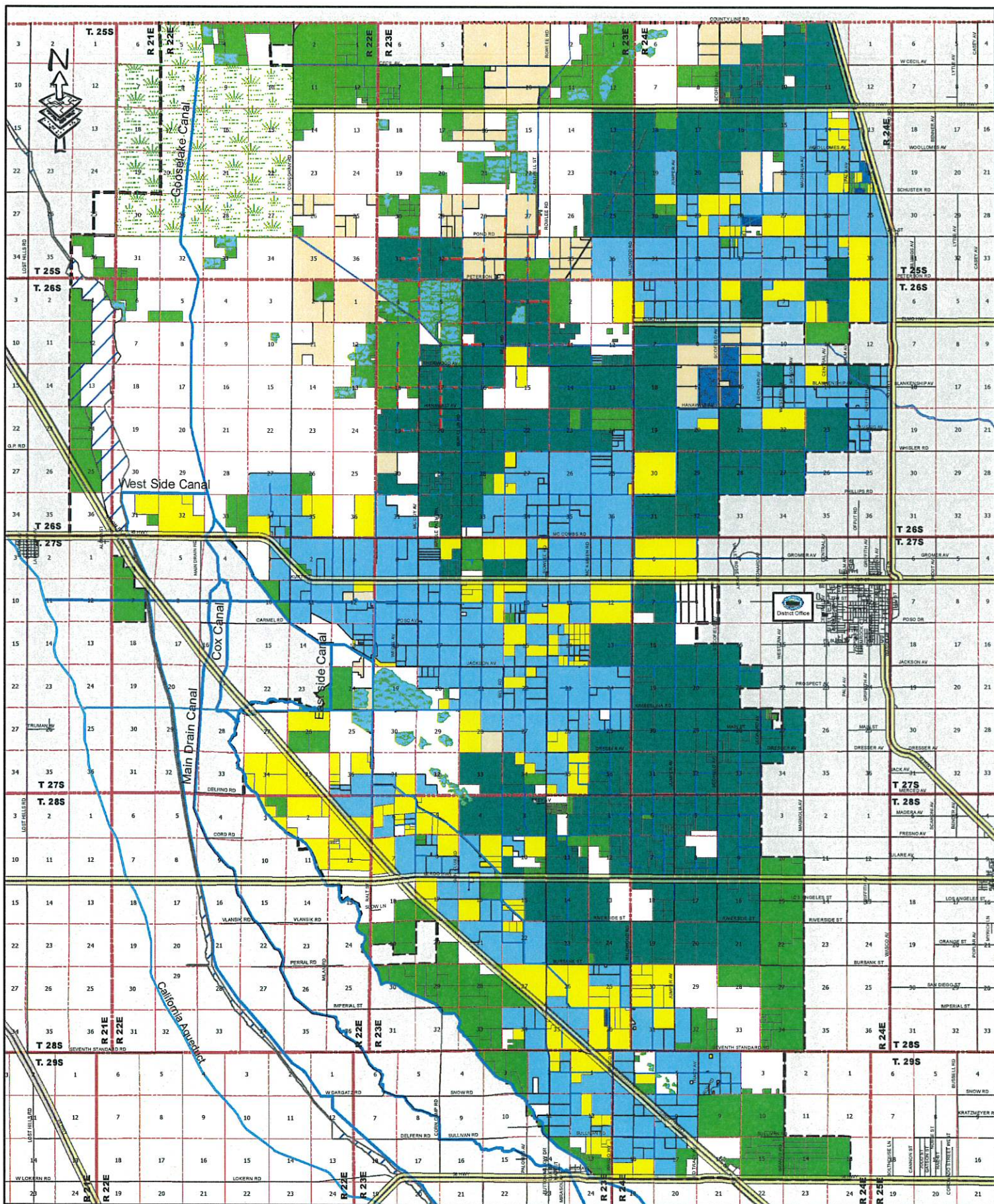


Exhibit D





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MEMORANDUM

Exhibit E

TO: Honorable Board of Directors
Semitropic Water Storage District
Acting for Buttonwillow and Pond-Poso Improvement Districts

FROM: Jason Gianquinto, General Manager

DATE: June 11, 2025

SUBJECT: RE: BUTTONWILLOW IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AND POND-POSO
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE AND GENERAL
PROJECT SERVICE CHARGES FOR 2024 (COLLECTED 2024-2025) MATTERS
FOR BOARD'S CONSIDERATION AT JUNE 12, 2024, HEARING.

By way of background, it should be noted that the matters to be considered at this hearing are the outgrowth of action taken by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors at its meeting of May 7, 1979. At that meeting, the Board of Directors adopted a policy of general application for each improvement district for annually fixing and collecting certain charges, known as the General Administrative and General Project Service Charges.

At its May 8, 2024 meeting, with adoption of Resolution Nos. BW 24-02 and PP 24-02, the Board fixed the amounts to be collected for said charges for 2024 for the respective improvement districts, the minimum charge to be fixed upon tracts less than an acre in area, and the percentage rate for lands permanently developed for recreational purposes or irrigated native pasture.

For Buttonwillow Improvement District these charges were: the General Administrative Service Charge - \$114,243.26 including an allowance of 3% for delinquencies and a charge of \$0.20 per parcel for cost of collection; for the General Project Service Charge the amount was fixed in the sum of \$8,834,272.53, including said allowance for delinquencies; the minimum charge for tracts of land less than an acre in area was set at zero; and the percentage rate set for recreational land and irrigated native pasture was found to be approximately 6.8% of the services and benefits to each acre of land developed and using water for other purposes.

For Pond-Poso Improvement District these charges were: the General Administrative Service Charge - \$135,117.93, including the allowance of 3% for delinquencies and a charge of \$0.20 per parcel for cost of collection; for the General Project Service Charge the amount was fixed in the sum

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of \$10,028,167.98, including said allowance for delinquencies; the minimum charge for tracts of land less than an acre in area was set at zero; and the percentage rate set for recreational land and irrigated native pasture was found to be approximately 6.8% of the services and benefits to each acre of land developed and using water for other purposes.

The District obtained the roll of landowners in each improvement district from the County Assessor's office. This roll shows the names of the landowners at the time the roll was prepared and number of acres in each parcel. This roll was compared parcel by parcel with the County Assessor's parcel maps to make sure that all land in the improvement districts was on the roll and that no land outside of the two improvement districts was included.

In accordance with current criteria previously adopted by the Board after study and recommendation by the staff and consultants, certain lands are exempt from district charges. These lands include County-owned land, U.S. Government-owned land, school district land, the Jerry Slough in Buttonwillow Improvement District, and the Poso Creek Channel and the Alpaugh Canal in Pond-Poso Improvement District. These exempt lands were excluded from the roll along with sub-acre parcels, which the Board has ordered are to receive a zero charge. All the other lands, including the Alpaugh well field, farmsteads, feedlots, cotton gins, reservoirs, and farm roads were considered subject to district charges.

The lands to be charged were then classified into three categories: (1) undeveloped lands; (2) developed lands, both those relying on ground water and those receiving surface water service; and (3) recreation lands and irrigated native pasture, for which special rates were established.

Lost Hills Water Company and/or Lost Hills Utility District own approximately 147 acres of land in Pond-Poso Improvement District. 77 acres is used as a wellsite to pump groundwater principally for export outside the district and domestic use in the Lost Hills area. An additional 70 acres was purchased for the purpose of pumping additional quantities of groundwater at the wellsite. Since the land is otherwise idle, and for purposes of establishing charges, it is classified the same as developed land relying on groundwater pumping. The amount pumped has been roughly equivalent to agricultural usage and is being monitored for any significant increase in water pumping.

Additionally, in Pond-Poso Improvement District, another special rate is established which is based on the quantity of water extracted from the underground. In 2023, Alpaugh Irrigation District, the only entity fitting within this category, did not export any water, and therefore based on criteria established by the Board, no General Project Service Charge will be levied for Alpaugh lands this year.

To determine the classification of a parcel of land, crop surveys, prior to and including the 2024 survey, were reviewed for land use. The District makes a crop survey during May of each year showing the various crops being grown and the number of acres of each.

The preliminary roll, which lists each parcel of land showing acreage and classification for district charges, was then finalized.

The preliminary roll shows the following: In Buttonwillow Improvement District, the total area subject to district charges is 76,162.17 acres. There are 12,099.28 acres of undeveloped land which receive only the General Administrative Service Charge. There are 64,062.89 acres of developed land which receive the General Administrative Service Charge and the General Project Service Charge. There are 3,567.08 acres of recreational land and irrigated native pasture which receive the General Administrative Service Charge and the Special Minimum General Project Service Charge. There are 11.47 acres of sub-acre parcels to which no charge is applied.

In Pond-Poso Improvement District, the total area subject to district charges is 90,078.62 acres. There are 17,358.04 acres of undeveloped land which receive only the General Administrative Service Charge. There are 72,720.58 acres of developed land which receive the General Administrative Service Charge and the General Project Service Charge. There are 3,183.42 acres of recreational land and irrigated native pasture which receive the General Administrative Service Charge and the Special Minimum General Project Service Charge. There are 103.05 acres of sub-acre parcels to which no charge is applied.

Preliminary rates per acre were then calculated by dividing the charges fixed by the Board at the May 8, 2024 meeting for each classification by the number of acres in the respective classification. The preliminary rates developed are as follows:

For Buttonwillow Improvement District, the General Administrative Service Charge is \$1.50 per acre and the General Project Service Charge is \$137.90 per acre. The Special Minimum General Project Service Charge for recreational land and irrigated native pasture is \$9.40 per acre. The New Lands Surcharge is \$500.00 per acre-foot of water for land developed after July 1, 2017.

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Action by Board:

The above stated was considered by the Board at its June 12, 2024 meeting.

Examples of prior objections that have been considered by the Board are as follows:

(Frey Objection, 1979)

The grower had been raising rice on several parcels, had determined that it was not economically feasible, and had abandoned the parcels for at least four years. The Board determined that since these parcels had been abandoned for a long period of time and that no benefit had been received, they should be reclassified as undeveloped land.

(Grimes Objection, 1980)

The grower attempted to bring into production certain undeveloped parcels, failed to obtain a commercial crop and abandoned the parcels. The Board determined that these parcels had received no benefit and should be reclassified as undeveloped land.

(Torrez Objection, 1980)

The grower attempted to develop land but was unable to because wells drilled on the land failed to produce an adequate water supply for irrigation. The Board determined that no benefit had been received and the parcels should be reclassified as undeveloped land.

(Houchin Objection, 1980)

The grower farmed several parcels, totaling 640 acres, in the District, but only one of his wells was located in the District. This well was capable of irrigating approximately 160 acres and the water supply for the other 480 acres came from wells located outside the District. The Board determined that the benefit was to the 160 acres on which the well was located and that the other 480 acres should not be subject to the General Project Service Charge.

(Tank-McCart Objection. 1980)

The grower bought property, which had previously been a part of the Alpaugh Irrigation District well field and developed and irrigated a barley crop on a portion of said property. Under the previous ownership, the entire parcel had been classified as subject to the General Project Service Charge. The Board determined that the benefit to the new owner was only on the developed portion of the property and amended the Preliminary Roll accordingly.