

**Office of the Secretary Manager  
Kittitas Reclamation District Board of Directors Meeting  
July 8, 2025 Minutes**

The Board of Directors of the Kittitas Reclamation District (KRD) met in Regular Session on July 8, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. Attending the meeting, were Division Three Director and Chairman Fred Schnebly, Division One Director and Vice Chairman Mark Hansen, Division Two Director Sherry Swanson, Division Four Director Bart Bland, Division Five Director Brad Haberman, Secretary Manager Urban Eberhart, Field Supervisor Bob Main, Treasurer Stacy Berg, KRD Lands Clerk & RRA Specialist Sara Vickers and Legal Counsel Jeff Slothower.

KRD Chairman Schnebly called the meeting to order. The agenda was approved with the addition of an executive session for reasons consistent with RCW 42.30.110(1)(i): (iii). The motion was made by Director Swanson. A second was made by Director Bland, the motion passed unanimously.

The minutes for the June 3, 2025 Board Meeting were approved with a motion made by Director Haberman. The second was made by Director Swanson. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Water Master Report: As of July 8, 2025 the five reservoirs are at 56% capacity which is 64.6% of average. There was no measurable precipitation from July 1 to date. Precipitation for the water year is 165.68 inches, or 77% of average. The system went on pro-rationing on May 20, 2025. The current pro-ration rate is 45% and storage control went into effect on June 5, 2025. The Board was given projections for pro-ration levels of 41%, 43% and 45%. After a discussion the Board agreed to keep the system operating at the same rate.

Maintenance Report: Field Supervisor Main reported that the spraying and weeding programs are continuing. Crews are replacing walk planks throughout the system. Water treatment of the Taneum Canal will be done tomorrow and the gravity and turbine laterals will be done next week. A backhoe is working in the Badger Pocket area cleaning up spoils.

Secretary Manager's Activity: The System Operations Advisory Committee met on June 3, 2025. The group continues to work together to meet the needs of funding the excess water that is needed to accommodate the pulse flows.

The test drilling is expected to begin on the Springwood property in September.

On June 11, 2025, Mr. Eberhart participated in the Washington Joint Legislative Committee on Water Supply During Drought.

On June 17, 2025, Mr. Eberhart provided a tour of the KRD system for David Fisher of Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Field Supervisor Main, Treasurer Berg and the Easton Dam Tender participated in the United States Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) Emergency Action Plan June 24 & 25, 2025.

Lands Clerk & RRA Specialist Sara Vickers participated in the Yakima Basin Joint Board Lower Yakima Tour on June 26, 2025.

Director Hansen will be representing KRD at the Family Farm Alliance & Tri State Meetings on July 15 & 16, 2025.

The Yakama Nation will be hosting the Cle Elum Fish Hatchery Salmon Bake on July 18, 2025.

Director Bland made a motion to approve travel for Mr. Eberhart to attend the Alliance Leadership Meeting in Boise, ID on August 6, 2025. A second was made by Director Haberman, the motion passed unanimously.

Project Updates: Director Haberman made a motion to approve the North Branch Canal Lining 30.3 to 27.5 Grant # R23AP00152-04 in the amount of \$3,000,000. A second was made by Director Swanson, the motion passed unanimously.

The Substantial Completion for the South Branch 12.3 to 12.8 Piping Project 22-SBC-1008 was presented to the Board.

Treasurer's Report: The Director's monthly payroll vouchers were presented for signatures. Summary Vouchers for the June 2025 expenses and payroll which included check numbers 49473 - 49557 direct deposit numbers 9903269 through 9903288 in the sum of \$778,211.88 were approved with a motion made by Director Swanson. The second was made by Director Hansen, the motion passed unanimously.

Wage comparisons for maintenance positions were provided to the Board and after a brief discussion, it was requested that comparisons from the Kittitas County Public Works be included and a more detailed wage scale be presented at the next meeting.

Old Business: The current 2025 Foreclosure List was presented to the Board with three remaining accounts that will be turned over to Legal to continue through the Foreclosure process.

New Business: Director Hansen made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-07 for Emergency Repairs at 1146. A second was made by Director Swanson, the motion passed unanimously.

Director Hansen made a motion to approve the Zirkle Fruit Company, Turn out license. A second was made by Director Haberman, the motion passed unanimously.

The Washington State Auditor's Office 2024 Financial Audit began last week. Director Swanson agreed to represent the Board on the Audit Committee. The 2024 Accountability Audit will begin later in the year.

Other Business: The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 1:58 p.m. for 15 minutes per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i): (iii) there was a motion made by Director Haberman and a second made by Director Bland. The Board returned to Regular Session at 2:13 p.m. with a motion made by Director Hansen and the second was made by Director Haberman. The motion passed unanimously.

All business having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned.

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Mr. Schnebly KRD Board of Directors Chairman

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Mr. Eberhart KRD Secretary Manager