

**Office of the Secretary Manager
Kittitas Reclamation District Board of Directors Meeting
July 14, 2026 Minutes**

The Board of Directors of the Kittitas Reclamation District (KRD) met in Regular Session on July 14, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. Attending the meeting, were Division Five Director and Chairman Brad Haberman, Division One Director and Vice Chairman Mark Hansen, Division Three Director Fred Schnebly, Division Two Director Sherry Swanson, Division Four Director Bart Bland, Secretary Manager Urban Eberhart, Assistant Manager Kevin Eslinger, Assistant Manager Sara Vickers, Field Supervisor Bob Main, Treasurer Stacy Berg and Legal Counsel Jeff Slothower. KRD Landowners Isaac Wright, Bob Haberman, Scott Shelton, Andy Rosbach, Marcus Mays and Paul Hutchinson were also in attendance.

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

The minutes for the June 2, 2026, Board Meeting were approved with a motion made by Director Swanson. The second was made by Director Bland. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: KRD Landowner Isaac Wright addressed the Board, regarding some discrepancies he felt were being handled between landowners on Clerf Rd. After hearing the concerns, Mr. Eberhart relayed that the Board would investigate the concerns and provide a response within 2 weeks. Mr. Wright requested that in the response there was a resolution to the problem included as well.

Bob Haberman asked for clarification from the Board regarding the June 8, 2026 decision to stop carrying water for Cascade Irrigation District. There were concerns that Mr. Eberhart made those decisions without the Board's awareness which in his opinion would mean that valuable water would not be received by KRD. Legal Counsel Slothower stated there would not be a public comment regarding this topic at this time.

KRD Landowner Scott Shelton mentioned that he saw the recent newsletter that was published on Facebook and he commended the effort to provide updates to the landowners. He asked for clarification on the location of events for the 100-year celebration and tours.

Water Master Report: As of July 13, 2026 the five reservoirs were at 72% capacity which is 85.6% of average. Precipitation at the five reservoirs for July 1 to date is .28

inches or 18% of average and 7% of the months average. Precipitation for the water year to date is 242.91 inches, or 113% of average.

Maintenance Report: Construction Supervisor Robby Main reported that there is currently mowing being done on the North Branch on the 33.5 lateral. There are crews weedeating and spraying in the Manastash and the North Branch. There is a crew replacing walk planks, a backhoe assisting maintenance and another crew doing general maintenance.

Director Haberman asked for clarification, it was his impression that Field Supervisor Main was installing a weir blade for KRD Landowner Isaac Wright. Mr. Eberhart replied that the project is scheduled to take place once water is turned off this year.

Secretary Manager's Activity: Mr. Eberhart reported that he and Assistant Manager Sara Vickers conducted a tour of approximately 40 people through the Springwood Property. The project was reportedly going well with the drilling continuing, working on core samples and continuing with the feasibility analysis. The project is currently on schedule.

Mr. Eberhart presented at the National Marine Fisheries Service Leadership Tour on June 9, 2026. The tour provided an overview of projects throughout the District.

On June 16, 2026, Mr. Eberhart presented to the Pacific Salmon Foundation Canada and Governors Salmon Recovery Office. The presentation included the Springwood Project, conservation, surface storage and groundwater storage.

Assistant Manager Sara Vickers and Mr. Eberhart attended the Ellensburg Rotary Meeting on June 17, 2026 where Mr. Eberhart provided a presentation of the projects that KRD is currently operating.

Mr. Eberhart provided a tour for the United States Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Director on June 23, 2026.

On June 23 and 24, 2026, Mr. Eberhart attended the Tri-State Meeting and Tours.

There was a Yakima Basin Joint Board Tour on June 25, 2026.

The Final Design Meeting for the Swauk Creek Pipeline Project will be on July 17, 2026. Trout Unlimited asked the District to provide input on the RFQ process for cultural resource clearance.

Director Hansen made a motion to approve KRD2022-PS-06.05.02 Exhibit C, 5.0 Whiskey-Currier Highlands MAR Evaluation which amends the cost to \$176,452.00. A second was made by Director Bland, the motion passed unanimously.

Project Updates: The North Branch Canal Lining Project MP 30.3 to 27.5 is complete. Change Order 33-NBC-1006_CO-10.0_(205-26_Substantial) was executed and reconciled the remainder of the project. The next step will be the completion document.

The South Branch Piping Project from MP 12.8 to 13.6 is done with the exception of hydroseeding which will be done in the fall.

The contractor is waiting for some screens to arrive for the well at the Easton Bull Trout Facility. The building permit for the facility has not been issued to date, it is expected soon and then Belsaas and Smith will continue with the construction of the building.

A schedule was provided for the North Branch Pump Lateral Lining, Milepost 0.6 to Milepost 5.6 for information only.

Treasurer's Report: The Director's monthly payroll vouchers were presented for signatures. Summary Vouchers for the June 2026 expenses and payroll which included check numbers 50466 - 50535 direct deposit numbers 9903540 through 9903559 in the sum of \$1,392,033.26 were approved with a motion made by Director Swanson. The second was made by Director Schnebly, the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: Assistant Manager Vickers reported that Historian Kelsey Doncaster provided presentations on the Yakima Pressure Tunnel and on KRD History at the Kittitas County Historical Museum on July 11, 2026. After the presentations, the attendees were given the ability to sign up for upcoming tours of the KRD facilities and the Springwood Project.

The current 2026 Foreclosure List was presented to the Board. Treasurer Berg will continue to attempt collection and report back at the upcoming meeting for further direction on the remaining accounts.

New Business: The Washington State Auditor's Office is beginning the 2025 Financial and Accountability Audit.

Treasurer Berg announced that she has accepted a job at another location and will be working with the KRD on an as needed basis throughout the coming months to train the new employee. Noah Annett accepted the KRD Treasurer position and will be starting employment on July 27, 2026.

Mr. Eberhart asked to table the customer request for a new turnout on Venture Rd until Field Supervisor Bob Main can be present and provide input to the Board.

Other Business: The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 1:34 p.m. for 45 minutes per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i): (i) and (iii) there was a motion made by Director Swanson and a second made by Director Bland. The meeting was extended for an additional 10 minutes. The Board returned to Regular Session at 2:29 p.m. with a motion made by Director Hansen and the second was made by Director Schnebly. The motion passed unanimously.

All business having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned.

Mr. Haberman KRD Board of Directors Chairman

Mr. Eberhart KRD Secretary Manager