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CARSON WATER SUBCONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Board of Directors
& Carson River Watershed Committee Meeting

July 15, 2026

Draft Minutes

Chairperson Ernie Schank called the Carson Water Subconservancy District (CWSD) Board of Directors Meeting to order at 6:30 pm at Gardnerville Station, located at 1395 N. HWY 395, Gardnerville, NV 89410. A roll call of the CWSD Board of Directors determined a quorum was present.

CWSD Directors present:

Stacey Giomi
Sharla Hales
Tammy Hendrix *(via Zoom)*
Doug Johnson
Ernie Schank
Lisa Schuette
Lee Sterrett
Fred Stodieck
Mike Workman

Directors Getto, Hindle, Koerner & Tolbert were absent. The roll call included CWSD Committee Members present, David Griffith & Charlie Dobson.

CWSD Staff & Guests present:

Lindsay Budija, CWSD
Reed Cozens, CWSD
Brenda Hunt, CWSD
Steve King, CWSD Attorney
Michael Miller, Public
Debbie Neddenriep, CWSD
Kelly Nicholas, CWSD

Director Hindle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #4 – Discussion Only: Public Comment – None

Item #5 – For Possible Action: Approval of Agenda

Committee Member Griffith motioned to approve the Agenda for July 15, 2026, as presented. Director Hindle seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Item #6 – For Possible Action: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2026

Committee Member Griffith motioned to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of June 17, 2026, with amendment to Consent Agenda Motion: All contract templates corrected Section 1 or Section 4 as applicable, "Term" was corrected to "Terms." Director Giomi seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

Item #7 – For Possible Action: Approval of Treasurer's Report for June 2026

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Item #8 - For Possible Action: Approval of Payment of Bills for June 2026

Item #9 - For Possible Action: Approval of Contract #2026-12 Desert Research Institute (DRI) Supporting Conjunctive Management in Carson Valley (2-Yrs), not to exceed $80,000 (Yr 1); $40,000 (Yr 2) – ***PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION***

Item #10 - For Possible Action: Approval of Disposal of Surplus Office Equipment

> *Director Sterrett made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 7, 8,and 10 as presented. Item #9 was pulled for further discussion. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Griffith and unanimously approved by the Board.*

Item #9 - For Possible Action: Approval of Contract #2026-12 Desert Research Institute (DRI) Supporting Conjunctive Management in Carson Valley (2-Yrs), not to exceed $80,000 (Yr 1); $40,000 (Yr 2) – **PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION**

Committee Member Griffith pointed out error in Contract #2026-12: Exhibit B, Liability Insurance stated the DISTRICT was to maintain insurance in designated amounts. This was determined to be an editing error in using the contract template. In fact, DISTRICT should have been replaced with DRI throughout this 2-page section of the document. The corrected draft was posted to website as meeting handout.

> *Committee Member Griffith made a motion to approve Contract #2026-12 with corrections to Exhibit B, replacing "DISTRICT" with "DRI" on these two pages of the document. The motion was seconded by Director Tolbert and unanimously approved by the Board.*

END CONSENT AGENDA

Item #11 - For Discussion Only: General Manager's Report: Carson River Watershed and Nevada Water Management Updates

Mr. Cozens delivered a concise update on regional water conditions, emphasizing shifting demand, project-driven flow changes, and basin interactions. He underscored the need for stronger technical data and modeling, along with coordinated, statewide water-management approaches.

The report highlights statewide groundwater–surface water challenges, major litigation, and Reclamation's Operational Criteria and Procedures (OCAP) scenarios, all underscoring the need for stronger technical foundations—while CWSD advances a RiverWare modeling effort to unify data, improve forecasting, and support coordinated Carson River management.

Tap to view presentation slides.

No action was taken.

Item #12 - For Possible Action: Approval of Contract #2026-16 – Edwin James Consulting Services, not to exceed $10,000

A change was requested to previous contract to revise the insurance requirement relevant to the scope of work.

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Director Hales motioned to approve the change to insurance requirement to match scope of work for Contract #2026-16- Edwin James Consulting, not to exceed $10,000, as presented. Director Schuette seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Item #13- For Discussion Only: Staff Reports

- Ms. Neddenriep provided an update on various grant projects to be included in FEMA MAS 14 funding grant.
- Ms. Hunt reported the receipt of a grant from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to update the Carson River Floodplain Plan.
- Ms. Nicholas provided an update on bus tour planning.
- Ms. Budija reported her the involvement in the USBR grant preparation and the importance of technical foundations for future water management.

Legal – None

Correspondence –

(1) Thank you note to CWSD from resident

(2) Nevada's Newest State Park

Item #14 - For Discussion Only: Directors & Committee Members Reports

- Director Hales thanked Courtney Walker, Douglas County Stormwater Manager for providing the tour and helping plan the field trip. She discussed community involvement in addressing local issues.

Item #15 - For Discussion Only: Public Comment – None

There being no further business before the Board, Chairperson Schank adjourned the meeting at 8 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catrina Schambra

Secretary to the Board