

**WEBER BASIN WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2026, 9:00 A.M.
DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS**

- 1) Welcome & Pledge of AllegianceChair Anderson
- 2) Introduction of New Employee – Dani Lopez..... Gen. Mgr. Paxman
- 3) Consideration of Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting and
Hearing on Petitions for Water Contracts held June 15, 2026Chair Anderson
- 4) Consideration of Approval of Fourth
Quarter 2026 Financial ReportTrustee Robinson
- 5) Hearing on Petitions for Water Contracts and Consideration
of Approval of Cancellations Mgr. Searle

A. DAVIS COUNTY:

Petitions for New Water

- 1. Chance Pope..... 0.76 a.f. Dist. 4
West Bountiful (06-032-0147 & 06-032-0148)

B. MORGAN COUNTY:

Cancellations of Water

- 1. Deean Hicks 0.65 a.f. Dist. 4
Morgan (04-334)

Petitions for New Water

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Porterville (01-003-308-01)
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- 2. Summit Splendor LLC 0.65 a.f. Dist. 4
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Ogden (07-045-0002)

Petitions for New Water

- 1. Larsen Living Trust.....0.38 a.f. Other
West Haven (08-029-0107)

- 2. Sonia Schuemann..... 0.65 a.f. Dist. 4
Liberty (22-003-0056)

- 6) Water Supply ReportMgr. Olsen

- 7) Cloud Seeding – New and Improved.....Gen. Mgr. Paxman
and Max Jones

- 8) BOR Title Transfer Gen. Mgr. Paxman
Final Review of Transfer Documents.....and AGM Nelson

- 9) Consideration of Approval of the Farmington Gen. Mgr. Paxman
Well Conversion Design Contract and AGM Nelson

- 10) General Manager’s Report.....Gen. Mgr. Paxman

- 11) Other Business

- 12) Closed Session: Discussion on Purchase of Water, Possible Litigation, and
Property Purchase

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE WEBER BASIN WATER
CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD THURSDAY,
JULY 30, 2026, 9:00 A.M., AT DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS**

Present:

Chair Mark D. Anderson
Trustee Tom Day
Trustee Gage Froerer
Trustee Scott K. Jenkins
Trustee Angie Osguthorpe
Trustee Christopher F. Robinson
Trustee Julie Snowball
Trustee Bob Stevenson
Trustee Logan Wilde

Scott W. Paxman, General Manager/CEO
Michael Malmborg, Legal Counsel
Jody Williams, Legal Counsel

Brittney Bateman, Fin. Analyst
Calysta Bravo, Finance Manager
Suzy Eppens, Contracts Administrator
Greg Pierce, Mgr. of Strategic Initiatives
Josh Hogge, Mgr. of M&I
Shane McFarland, Mgr. of Engineering
Brad Nelson, Assistant General Manager
Riley Olsen, Mgr. of Water Supply & Power
Jon Parry, Assistant General Manager
Kendall Searle, Mgr. of Administration
Sam Sorensen, Mgr. of Construction and Maintenance
Kathy Wood, Mgr. of Human Resources

Max Jones, Rainmaker
Joe Johnson, Rainmaker
Jared Smith, Rainmaker
Ben Kirk, BOR
Rick Smith, D&WCCC
Trevor Datwyler, AE2S

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WELCOME & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Anderson welcomed all in attendance. He then led the group as they recited the Pledge of Allegiance and began the meeting.

II

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEE

Gen. Mgr. Paxman introduced Dani Lopez. He said Ms. Lopez has actually been with us for about a year as an intern in the IT Department. She recently applied and was hired for the full-time position of Cyber Security Analyst. Gen. Mgr. Paxman said this is a position we have needed at the District for quite a while, so we are excited to have Dani working in this capacity.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said Ms. Lopez received her undergraduate degree at Ohio State University and her master's in computer science from Weber State University.

Chair Anderson welcomed Ms. Lopez to Weber Basin and said this is a great place to work and a great group of people to work with, and we are delighted to have her.

III
CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Anderson presented the minutes of the regular Board Meeting and Hearing on Petitions for Water Contracts held June 15, 2026 for review and approval. There were no additions or corrections.

Motion was made by Trustee Snowball, seconded by Trustee Day, and the motion carried with a unanimous vote, approving the minutes as presented.

IV
CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF FOURTH QUARTER
2026 FINANCIAL REPORT

Trustee Robinson asked Mgr. Bravo to review the fourth quarter 2026 financial report. Mgr. Bravo stated this is the final month of the fiscal year. She said the District practices accrual-based accounting so we will have some adjustments to June before finalizing Fiscal Year 2026.

Mgr. Bravo then reviewed the O&M report in detail including the categories of Water Sales, Taxes, Misc. Revenue, Debt, Capital, Misc. Expenses, and Proceeds. She provided explanations for any category that was below or exceeded the total budget.

Mgr. Bravo presented the source and use statement. She explained the statement in detail and displayed various slides showing charts and graphs providing additional information on revenue, expenses, reserves, etc. Questions from the board were then answered.

Mgr. Bravo reviewed the revenues and expenses and the year-to-date budget versus the fiscal year budget. She made mention of the Capital budget being under anticipated due to projects not being quite where we projected, and mentioned the Misc. Expenses being slightly over budget due to purchasing water stock. Mgr. Bravo explained the higher costs from Water Supply & Power are due to power expenses for pumping. She said Sustainment expenses are over budget due to Vehicles & Equipment with leases, maintenance, and fuel expenses being higher than anticipated. She stated these expenses will be absorbed in other areas and there are no concerns.

Mgr. Bravo concluded her presentation by stating the overall FY2026 budget ended at \$2M to the good for the year, but reminded the board that expenses will still trickle in and the final number will be adjusted as those are accrued.

Chair Anderson acknowledged a motion made by Trustee Robinson, seconded by Trustee Jenkins, and all were in favor of accepting the 2026 fourth quarter financial report as presented.

V
CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF CANCELLATIONS OF WATER

Mgr. Searle presented the following water contract cancellations for approval:

A. MORGAN COUNTY:

- 1) Deean Hicks0.65 a.f. Dist. 4
Morgan (04-334)

B. WEBER COUNTY:

- 1) David & Marcia Christensen 1.9 a.f. Proj.
Ogden (07-045-0002)

Mgr. Searle explained the cancellation in Morgan is a replacement water contract. He explained the purchaser ran into development issues and the plans to move forward with the property were no longer feasible, so for this reason the purchaser has requested a cancellation.

Mgr. Searle stated the cancellation in Ogden is for a property located on the east side of Hwy 89 across from the armory. He said the property is connected to Pineview Water Systems and the owner desires to cancel the unused Weber Basin contract.

Discussion continued regarding water contract limits and the water needs of continuing development.

Motion was made by Trustee Robinson, seconded by Trustee Osguthorpe and the motion passed unanimously approving the water contract cancellations and adopting the following resolution.

RESOLUTION

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District that the Chair and General Manager of said District be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to execute on behalf of said District cancellations petitions for the following, on the terms and conditions contained in the form of agreement presented to and considered at this meeting.

- 1) Deean Hicks0.65 a.f. Dist. 4
- 2) David & Marcia Christensen 1.9 a.f. Proj.

VI
WATER SUPPLY REPORT

Chair Anderson invited Mgr. Olsen to present. Mgr. Olsen presented the following reservoir content data:

<u>RESERVOIR</u>	<u>TOTAL CAPACITY</u>	<u>DISTRICT CAPACITY</u>	<u>ACCRUED TO DIST TO DATE</u>	<u>% OF DIST CAPACITY</u>	<u>HISTORICAL RESERVOIR CONT.</u>	
					<u>AS OF 7/29/25</u>	<u>AS OF 7/30/2024</u>
CAUSEY	7,870	6,870	5,672	83%	4,730	6,109
E CANYON	51,200	20,110	10,138	50	38,959	43,380
ECHO	73,940	6,422	0	0	51,900	55,410
LOST CRK	22,510	20,010	6,680	33	14,310	17,480
PINEVIEW	110,150	66,228	13,624	21	87,200	96,340
SMITH-M	8,351	6,560	6,585	100	6,109	7,517
WANSHIP	62,120	60,000	29,144	49	46,660	53,900
WILLARD	<u>247,302</u>	<u>222,273</u>	<u>109,077</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>105,620</u>	<u>205,372</u>
TOTAL	583,443	408,473	180,920	44%	355,488	485,508

Percent of District upstream storage is 39%.

Mgr. Olsen presented slides showing the Ogden River and Weber River storage. He explained the heavy use of Pineview Reservoir due to the anticipated Ogden City project that requires draining much of the reservoir this coming fall and winter. Mgr. Olsen then reviewed the trends of each reservoir. He showed Lost Creek and East Canyon and explained these reservoirs started with not much runoff collected and have been trending down. Mgr. Olsen showed Willard Bay which has been staying steady so far this year with the increased use of Pineview water.

Mgr. Olsen continued by reviewing overall precipitation with a chart showing 87% of the median which is slightly below where we were last year at this time. He then shared the soil moisture chart stating we are at 111% of the median which is up slightly from last month.

Mgr. Olsen gave a quick update on the Great Salt Lake levels. He said the low elevation point this year was 4,191 feet at the end of last September. He stated the current elevation is 4,190.7 feet as of July 28.

Mgr. Olsen then reviewed the weather, precipitation, and temperature outlooks for the month to come and said the weather shows higher chances of precipitation and equal chances of average temperatures this next month.

Mgr. Olsen and Gen. Mgr. Paxman answered questions from the board.

VII CLOUD SEEDING – NEW AND IMPROVED

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said Rainmaker took over for North American Weather, which the District has worked with for many years regarding cloud seeding efforts. He said there are new and exciting technologies, and we are excited to hear about them. He then invited Mr. Jones from Rainmaker to present.

Mr. Jones said Rainmaker operates in several states including Idaho, Utah, Colorado, and California. He said Rainmaker has been operating in the Bear River Basin this past season to validate and prove effectiveness.

Mr. Jones presented an overview of cloud seeding dynamics and how Rainmaker has improved upon the technology with weather-resistant, high-altitude drone capability. He explained the advantages of the drone over the old cloud seeding methods using planes and ground generators which included maneuverability, adaptability, safety, and the ability to rapidly deploy without airport infrastructure.

The representatives from Rainmaker answered many questions from the board. They explained the funding needed for the Utah project in the next year, which is a total of \$600,000.00. Mr. Jones said the Utah Division of Water Resources has agreed to put forth \$500,000.00 so Rainmaker is looking for partners to make up the \$100,000.00 difference. He said the cost covers 1 operational team which includes 3 drones, 1 program manager, 2 field operating specialists, and the support staff of meteorologists, radar and satellite scientists, and Forward Deployed Engineers who work on the drones.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said we have been working with Jonathan Jennings at the Division of Water Resources to make the most of the funding. He said the District may be asked to cover up to half of the remaining \$100,000.00.

VIII BOR TITLE TRANSFER FINAL REVIEW OF TRANSFER DOCUMENTS

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said this process has been ongoing for about a year and it is nearing completion. He said all the documents are very close to final and once they are, a summary will be brought before the board for approval. Gen. Mgr. Paxman said NEPA, hazard mitigation, CIRCLA, and a few other documents are still needing finalization. He said these items will go before Congress, and we anticipate to finalize next month.

IX CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE FARMINGTON WELL CONVERSION DESIGN CONTRACT

AGM Nelson said this project has been on the list for a while, and it is time to move forward. He said the well location is just north of Lagoon in Farmington. There are two irrigation wells, Farmington Well #1 and Farmington Well #2, in this area. He said right now they both pump into the irrigation system but the demand is such that both cannot be used at the same time. AGM Nelson said the project would take Farmington Well #1 and pump into the culinary system by way of the aqueduct. He said this will provide emergency source redundancy for the Davis Aqueduct during source interruptions and emergency conditions.

AGM Nelson explained the project scope which includes equipping the well with a new high-head vertical turbine pump that will be capable of delivering about 2,250 gallons per minute (gpm). He said the project will also include installation of a new pressure-rated ductile iron transmission main and modifications to the Farmington Reservoir bypass facilities and aqueduct connection.

AGM Nelson continued explaining that significant pressure will be needed to flow water uphill from Farmington Well #1 to the Davis Aqueduct. He said the existing shotcrete line of the Farmington Trunkline is not rated for the anticipated water pressures.

AGM Nelson said because of these issues, the District will consider two feasible alternatives:

- Installation of a new pressure-rated transmission pipeline capable of handling the anticipated water pressures; or
- Installation of a lower-head well pump and installation of an intermediate storage tank and booster pump station to effectively lower the water pressures in the pipeline

AGM Nelson said as part of this project, AE2S will provide the following:

- Refining hydraulic analysis of both alternatives and confirm hydraulic design criteria for the proposed infrastructure
- Base mapping and utility investigation to provide a feasible route for a new pipeline
- Establish improvements required to rehabilitate and re-equip Farmington Well No. 1
- Evaluate pump curves following well pumping contractor's pump test and identify appropriate pumping equipment
- Provide an evaluation memorandum of both alternatives including 30% design drawings and 30% opinion of probable construction costs

AGM Nelson then shared the estimated fee summary for the design project with a total cost of \$746,147.00. He said this will give the District a biddable project so that it can move forward.

Motion was made by Trustee Froerer, seconded by Trustee Wilde and the motion passed unanimously approving the design contract and adopting the following resolution.

RESOLUTION

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District that the Chair and the General Manager of said District be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to execute on behalf of said District, a design contract to AE2S for a total not-to-exceed fee of \$746,147.00 for the design of the Farmington Well Conversion on the terms and conditions contained in the form of agreement presented to and considered at this meeting.

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GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said there is a brochure in front of each trustee called the Statewide Water Assessment. He said this is a high-level overview of the state's position on water infrastructure, development, supply, and all water in general. He encouraged the trustees to get familiar with the information in the brochure. Gen. Mgr. Paxman said the back pages discuss the state's response to our responsibilities and duties to ensure we have sufficient water to meet demands. He said the back page lists the critical path of major projects and initiatives that will take place and when. He said the District will be handing the brochures out to all the legislators, the League of Cities and Towns, our customer agencies, and others.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said the NWRA annual conference is coming up, so to mark calendars for November 2-5. He said this will be held in California on Coronado Island this year.

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Gen. Mgr. Paxman said we have good news from our rating agency, as the District was able to keep the AAA rating this year.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman reminded the board of the Tax Hearing on Monday, August 24, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. that will be held in the WERC building. He said this will be held in lieu of the August orientation meeting.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman reminded the board of the annual partner appreciation BBQ right after board meeting on Thursday, August 27.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman gave a quick update on the Morris property off 12th Street in Ogden. He said we have filed an eminent domain complaint and begun the process.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said the film *The Lake* is showing at Weber State University tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. Trustee Osguthorpe said there are only about 100 tickets left.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said the Morgan County Commission meeting went well last week. He said the District's presentation introduced the District again to the new commissioners there and the replacement water contracts were discussed and accepted well. Gen. Mgr. Paxman said the District's tax increase was also discussed.

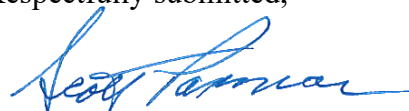
Gen. Mgr. Paxman presented an award that the Engineering Department received for the Davis Aqueduct – Reach 1 – Parallel Pipeline Project from ASEC, or the American Society of Engineering Consultants.

Gen. Mgr. Paxman said the tour of Pineview on Monday went well, and we will plan to visit again in September because the work will have just started. He said the plan is installation of two temporary 12" HDPE pipelines along the bottom of the reservoir, connect the wells to the new pipelines, and work on the new 48" HDPE pipeline parallel to the existing 36" steel pipeline. He said both the new and old lines will be worked on simultaneously and that will save on the timeline. Gen. Mgr. Paxman said about 2% of the reservoir storage will remain.

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ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for discussion, meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott W. Paxman, General Manager/ CEO

The Board of Trustees of the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, Utah, met in public session July 30, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., at District headquarters, Layton, Utah. Meeting was called to order by Chair Anderson. On roll call the following members were found to be present:

Present:

Chair Mark D. Anderson

Trustee Tom Day

Trustee Gage Froerer

Trustee Scott K. Jenkins

Trustee Angie Osguthorpe

Trustee Christopher F. Robinson

Trustee Bob Stevenson

Trustee Julie Snowball

Trustee Logan Wilde

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Max Jones, Rain Maker

Joe Johnson, Rain Maker

Jared Smith, Rain Maker

Ben Kirk, BOR

Rick Smith, D&WCCC

Trevor Datwyler, AE2S

Mgr. Searle stated the meeting was being held pursuant to notice to the public, duly published as required by law, for the purpose of permitting all interested persons to show cause why the respective petitions for water contracts of the individuals as set forth in the notice, copies of which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference as a part of these minutes, for the allotment of water to lands in Davis, Morgan, Summit, and Weber counties, Utah, by the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, should not be granted.

Mgr. Searle reported there have been no written objections filed against the foregoing petitions and asked for any other objections to be presented at this time. No objections were received.

Thereupon the following resolution was presented and read:

RESOLUTION GRANTING PETITIONS FOR THE ALLOTMENT
OF WATER BY WEBER BASIN WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

WHEREAS, acting pursuant to Section 73-9-19, Utah Code Annotated, 1953, as amended, there has been filed in the office of the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, the following petitions for water contracts requesting the allotment of Weber Basin water annually, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in said petition:

A. DAVIS COUNTY:

- 1. Chance Pope..... 0.76 a.f. Dist. 4
West Bountiful (06-032-0147 & 06-032-0148)

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Whereas after the filing of said petitions, it was determined to hold a public hearing on same in the office of the Board of Trustees of the District, and the General Manager/CEO of the District caused due and proper notice of the holding of such hearing to be posted to the Utah Public Notice Website on July 10, 2026, which notice advised all interested persons of the holding of such hearing and of their right to present objections in writing showing cause why such petitions should not be granted, and

WHEREAS, at the hour and place named in said notice, or at a subsequent meeting adjourned there from, the Board of Trustees of the District has met in public session and has heard all persons desiring to be heard and written or other objections having been presented, and WHEREAS, after due consideration, it is the determination of the Board of Trustees that it is for the best interest of the District that such petitions should be granted.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved and Ordered by the Board of Trustees of the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, as follows:

- Section 1. That it is hereby determined to be in the best interest of the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District, that such petitions be granted.
- Section 2. That said petitions are hereby granted and amounts of water in acre-feet are hereby allotted to the respective petitioners for the lands for which the same is petitioned, all as above set out.
- Section 3. That the Chair of the District is hereby authorized and directed in the name of the District and on its behalf to execute formal orders granting said petitions allotting water to lands therein described, upon the terms, at the rates, and payable in the manner as in said petitions set forth and the General Manager/CEO of the District is authorized and directed to attest said order.

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Section 4. The General Manager/CEO of the Board of Trustees in its behalf, is directed to cause a fully executed copy of said order, to which shall be attached a copy of the petitions upon which the order is made, to be recorded in the office of the respective County Recorder.

After consideration of the resolution and order, motion was made by Trustee Robinson, seconded by Trustee Osguthorpe, and passed unanimously, approving petitions for water contracts in Davis, Morgan, Summit, and Weber counties and adopting the foregoing resolution.

Approved and adopted July 30, 2026.



Mark D. Anderson, Chair

ATTEST:



Scott W. Paxman, General Manager

(SEAL)

**MINUTES OF AN ORIENTATION MEETING OF THE WEBER BASIN WATER
CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD MONDAY,
JULY 27, 2026, 9:00 A.M., AT DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS**

Present:

Chair Mark D. Anderson
Trustee Tom Day
Trustee Gage Froerer
Trustee Scott K. Jenkins
Trustee Osguthorpe
Trustee Christopher F. Robinson
Trustee Bob Stevenson
Trustee Logan Wilde

Excused:

Trustee Julie Snowball

Scott W. Paxman, General Manager/CEO
Darren E. Hess, AGM

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TOUR OF DISTRICT FACILITIES**

All in attendance met at District Headquarters and toured the facilities at Pineview Reservoir to discuss Ogden City’s pipe replacement and rehab project that requires the draining of much of the reservoir during this coming fall and winter.

**II
ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for discussion, meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott W. Paxman, General Manager / CEO