

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – NOVEMBER 10, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) was called to order by President Reinhart at 5:00 p.m. on November 10, 2025 at the District offices, 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine.

Directors Present: Ferons, Withers, Swan, LaMar, and President Reinhart.

Directors Absent: None.

Also Present: General Manager Cook, Executive Director of Water Policy Weghorst, Executive Director of Operations Chambers, Executive Director of Technical Services Burton, Director of Strategic Communications & Advocacy Compton, Director of Water Quality & Regulatory Compliance Colston, Director of Financial Planning and Data Analytics Smithson, Director of Human Resources Mitcham, Director of Information Technology Kaneshiro, Director of Safety and Security Choi, Director of Water and Recycling Operations Zepeda, Director of Maintenance Operations Manning, Director of Water Resources Nye, Director of Accounting & Treasury Lin, General Counsel Collins, Secretary Swan, members of the staff, and public.

Oral and Written Communications: None.

Items too late to be agendized: None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On MOTION by Withers, seconded by LaMar, and carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0, CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS FOUR AND FIVE WERE APPROVED AS FOLLOWS:

4. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Recommendation: That the minutes of the October 27, 2025 Regular Board meeting be approved as presented.

5. FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT AND AUDIT

Recommendation: That the Board approve the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

ACTION CALENDAR

6. REHABILITATION OF DYER ROAD WELL FIELD WELL 7 CONSTRUCTION AWARD

On MOTION by Withers, seconded by LaMar, and carried unanimously by a vote of 5 – 0, THE BOARD AUTHORIZED A BUDGET INCREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$670,500, FROM \$819,500 TO \$1,490,000, AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH BEST DRILLING PUMP AND COMPANY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,122,025 FOR THE REHABILITATION OF DYER ROAD WELLFIELD WELL NO. 7, PROJECT 13252.

ACTION CALENDAR (CONTINUED)

7. APPROVAL OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR SANTIAGO CREEK DAM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Using a PowerPoint Presentation, Environmental Compliance Analyst Le provided a project overview outlining the objectives of the project, highlights, the preparation of the Environmental Impact Report, the commenting entities, key topics of the comments that were received, findings of fact, and the statement of overriding considerations.

On MOTION by Swan, seconded by Withers, and carried by a vote of 5-0, THE BOARD VOTED TO INCORPORATE INTO THE DRAFT FINDINGS, WHICH INCLUDES A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS AS PRESENTED IN THIS MEETING, REVISIONS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO CONFORM THE FINDINGS AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS TO ANY INFORMATION THAT MAY BE RECEIVED AFTER PREPARATION OF SAID DRAFT AND PRIOR TO THIS ACTION, INCLUDING ANY CHANGES TO THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND ANY COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD AT THIS MEETING; DIRECT THAT THE FINDINGS AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, AS SO REVISED, BE ATTACHED TO THE BELOW-MENTIONED RESOLUTION, THEN ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 23

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT
CERTIFYING THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND
APPROVING THE SANTIAGO CREEK DAM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

OTHER BUSINESS

8. General Manager's Report

General Manager Cook relayed he had nothing to report for the evening's meeting.

9. Receive oral update(s) from District liaison(s) regarding communities within IRWD's service area and interests.

Mr. Newell was absent from this evening's meeting.

10. Directors' Comments and Meeting Reports

Director Feron reported on his participation in the monthly WACO meeting.

Director Withers reported on his attendance at the ISDOC Quarterly Luncheon; the ISDOC Executive Committee Meeting via teleconference; and the monthly WACO meeting.

Director Swan reported on his participation in the MWDOC Planning and Operations Committee Meeting; the MWDOC Board Workshop with the MWD Directors; the monthly WACO meeting; and the IRWD Resident Tour of the San Joaquin Marsh.

OTHER BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

10. Directors' Comments and Meeting Reports (Continued)

Vice President LaMar reported on his participation in the MWDOC Board Workshop with the MWD Directors; the monthly WACO meeting; and the ACWA State Legislative Committee Meeting via teleconference.

President Reinhart reported on his participation in the MWDOC Planning and Operations Committee Meeting; the MWDOC Board Workshop with the MWD Directors; the OCWD Communications and Legislative Liaison Committee Meeting; and the monthly WACO meeting.

11. CLOSED SESSION

President Reinhart convened the meeting into Closed Session at 5:17 p.m. with General Counsel Collins announcing the following items will be held:

A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION and CONFERENCE
WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957(b)
and 54957.6, respectively:

Agency Designated Representative: President Reinhart

Position Title / Unrepresented Employee: General Manager

12. OPEN SESSION

Following the Closed Session, the meeting was reconvened in Open Session with Directors Ferons, Withers, Swan, LaMar, and Reinhart present. President Reinhart announced that there was no action to report.

13. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:00 p.m., President Reinhart adjourned the Board meeting.

APPROVED and SIGNED this 24th day of November 2025.

President, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

District Secretary,
IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Claire H. Collins, General Counsel
Hanson Bridgett LLP