

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the
TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
 Regular Session Board Meeting Minutes
May 5, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, in the counties of Churchill and Lyon, State of Nevada, met in regular session at the office of the District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada, on **Tuesday, May 5, 2026** at 9:00 a.m.

The following Directors were present constituting a quorum:

Present:	Eric Olsen	President
	David Stix Jr.	Vice-President <i>(arrived 9:07)</i>
	Robert Oakden	Secretary
	Lester deBraga	Treasurer <i>(arrived 9:07)</i>
	Michael Olsen	Director
	Abrahm Schank	Director
	Wade Workman	Director

Others Present:	Benjamin Shawcroft	General Manager
	Helen-Marie Morrow	Finance Manager
	Rachel Enox	Water Accounting Manager
	Cody Biggs	Construction & Maintenance Manager
	Mark Solinski	Hydroelectric Facilities Manager
	Kelly Herwick	District Water Master
	Ariel Tomb	Assistant Secretary to the Board

Teleconference/Zoom Guests	Representing
Jason Villareal	Bureau of Reclamation
Robert Owen	Bureau of Reclamation
Rachel Dahl	The Fallon Post
Christina	Self
Michael	Self
Michelle	Self

In-Person Guests	Representing
Robert Martinez	Bureau of Reclamation
Albert Mulder	Natural Resource Conservation Service
Norm Frey	Self
Anthony Berreman	Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe

The following agenda items are not necessarily in the order they were heard or decided but in the order as appearing on the agenda.

1. **Call to Order**
 President Olsen called the meeting to order in accordance with NRS 241 at 9:00 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Olsen.

3. **Approval of the Agenda**
A motion was made by Secretary Oakden to adopt the agenda, seconded by Director Schank, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

4. **General Public Comment**
There was no public comment.

5. **Miscellaneous Correspondence**
There was no miscellaneous correspondence.

6. **General Manager and Staff Reports**

• **Ben Shawcroft, General Manager**

Shawcroft reported that cleaning the Allyn Drain has been postponed temporarily as Mr. Matley's attorney has requested some time to review the information. The solar lease and the land sale are still being sorted out. Morrow and Shawcroft met with representatives from the State Capital Improvement Program which offers 80% grants with a 20% match. It takes about two – three years to get in but he is optimistic. He is pushing really hard to get Watervize online, we are discovering new issues with the current internal programs. He believes it's really close to done.

• **Cody Biggs, Construction & Maintenance Manager**

Biggs reported he is working on trouble calls and preparing his budget. He is starting to schedule drain cleanings.

• **Kelly Herwick, District Water Master**

Herwick reported on current conditions; see the attached report. There should be 2,000 a.f. of transport water available.

• **Mark Solinski, Hydroelectric Facilities Manager**

Solinski reported the following kilowatts:

- New Lahontan – 3,200 kw
- 26' Drop – 500 kw

Solinski reported some PLC problems at 26' Drop. He inspects the dam after earthquakes, there have been no issues.

• **Rachel Enox, Water Accounting Manager**

Enox reported all orders for March have been closed. Water cards will be printed on Thursday. She has been working on measurements and checking meters. The final testing on the Fernley Check automation is complete. The new server is being installed, once that is online the Fernley Check automations can come online.

• **Helen-Marie Morrow, Finance Manager**

Morrow reported she is working on the budget and tax roll.

7. **Bureau of Reclamation – Lahontan Basin Area Office (LBAO) Representative(s) – General Updates**

Robert Martinez, Newlands Project Coordinator, thanked Solinski for being so responsive regarding post-earthquake inspections. The Carson Division SOP is nearly complete, the EAPs are being finalized, credit water scheduling will begin later in May. The new Regional Director will be visiting next week to meet Shawcroft. Some FEMA funding is becoming available as well as some new WaterSmart grants.

8. Community Updates:

- **City of Fernley**
No representative was present to report.
- **Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe (FPST)**
Anthony Berreman, Natural Resource Director, reported that contracts with Lumos are almost completed for their maintenance projects on gates and checks.
- **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)**
Albert Mulder, District Conservationist, reported his office received \$2M in funding for tractors. They are able to piggyback on the WaterSmart grants for irrigation. 2026 applications are closed. The District's contract is pre-approved for the S-C5 structure. The engineering will be bid out and the District will have to cover the cultural review.
- **Naval Air Station Fallon (NASF)**
No representative was present to report.
- **Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW)**
No representative was present to report.
- **United States Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) - Wetlands**
No representative was present to report. Herwick reported they started their orders.

9. Water Measurement Presentation

The Board will receive instruction from TCID staff concerning procedures used to properly account for water measurement and deliveries.

The slideshow and recording of the Water Measurement Presentation will be available to the public on the District website. The slideshow is attached to the meeting minutes.

Norm Frey provided comments during the presentation: The Orr Ditch Decree states that charges have to be at the land, at the headgate. Rob Martinez, Bureau, replied that the Carson Division is governed by the Alpine Decree. Under the Alpine Decree, the Board could require a meter on every takeout at the expense of the water user. The Board has chosen not to require that but to provide measurement themselves.

10. Consent Agenda

- Approval of Director's compensation for the month of April as provided for by NRS 539.080.

- Approval of Board Meeting minutes from March 10, 2026.
- Approval of Board Meeting minutes from April 7, 2026.
- Approval of Special Board Meeting minutes from April 8, 2026.
- Approval of Annual Water User Meeting minutes from March 19, 2026.

A motion was made by Secretary Oakden to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Treasurer deBraga, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

11. Committee Reports

- **Operations & Maintenance (O&M) Committee**

Concrete Bid Acceptance

Deliberation and decision relating to the recommendation made by the O&M Committee to designate the primary concrete supplier for the next fiscal year. Two bids were submitted; Hiskett & Sons, LLC and Cheek Construction.

Vice-President Stix informed the Board that the O&M Committee's recommendation was to approve the bid from Hiskett & Sons, LLC. However, according to further research done by Biggs, it appears that the bid from Cheek Construction comes in lower. Regulations regarding going out to bid state that the lowest bid must be accepted.

A motion was made by Director Workman to accept the bid from Cheek Construction, seconded by Treasurer deBraga, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

- **Employee Relations Committee**
There was no meeting held for the month of April 2026. A meeting is scheduled for the 7th.
- **Policy Committee**
There was no meeting held for the month of April 2026.
- **Carson Lake Pasture (CLP) Advisory Committee**
There was no meeting held for the month of April 2026.
- **Finance Committee**
Treasurer deBraga (Finance Committee Chairman) reported that the Finance Committee met on May 4, 2026.

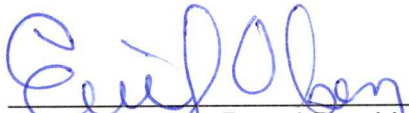
A motion was made by Treasurer deBraga to approve the Treasurer's report and Finance Committee recommendation to approve check numbers 45872 through 45977 as well as automatic, online and phone payments, and a transfer of \$526,962.24 to pay bills, seconded by Director Workman, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

12. Additional Public Comment

No additional public comment.

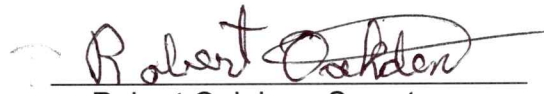
13. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m. subject to the call of the Board President.



Eric Olsen. - Board President
6-2-26

Date



Robert Oakden - Secretary
6-2-26

Date



Truckee-Carson Irrigation District

Newlands Project

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CURRENT CONDITIONS:

- **Truckee Div.**
 - Truckee River @ Vista gauge: **1103** cfs
 - Truckee Canal: Approx. **191**cfs
 - <1cfs in Gilpen Spill
 - **159** cfs at TC canal at Wadsworth
 - Water Master "Derby flow Target": **532.9** cfs
 - Below Derby Gauge: **896** cfs
 - **117** cfs at TC canal at Hazen
- **Carson Div.**
 - Carson River @ Ft. Churchill gauge: **384** cfs
 - Lahontan Storage: **230,932** a.f.
 - Release below Lahontan: **461** cfs
 - Total Inflows: **578** cfs/ approx. 1144 a.f. at 24hrs
 - NET Gain: **231** a.f.

FORECASTING:

Snow Water Equivalent percent NRCS as of May 5, 2026: Carson @ 19% of median (+2% fr prev. month)

USDA NRCS National Water & Climate Center as of May 4, 2026

- **Carson R @ Ft. Churchill**
 - April-JUL: 70%-47 kaf
 - 50%-50 kaf
 - 30%-63 kaf
- ***Increase from previous April's forecast

*****TROA Modeling Apr. 16th indicates:**

- **100% of traces show diversions to Lahontan through September 2026**
- **Ensemble Results: Lahontan Storage, Acre Feet**
 - **All traces indicate Lahontan End of Season storage approx. <50kaf**

DISTRICT STATUS:

- Per OCAP: TC canal is currently ramping up to maximize flows to Lahontan Reservoir
- Water department staff is currently preparing for May Water cards
- Currently facing cancellations and possible delays in deliveries.

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