

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the
TRUCKEE-CARSON IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Special Session Board Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2026

The Board of Directors of the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, in the counties of Churchill and Lyon, State of Nevada, met in special session at the office of the District, 2666 Harrigan Road, Fallon, Nevada, on **Tuesday, August 21, 2026** at 9:00 a.m.

The following Directors were present constituting a quorum:

Present:	Eric Olsen	President
	Robert Oakden	Secretary
	Michael Olsen	Director
	Abraham Schank	Director
	Lester deBraga	Treasurer
	Wade Workman	Director
Absent:	David Stix Jr.	Vice-President
Others Present:	Benjamin Shawcroft	General Manager
	Ariel Tomb	Assistant Secretary to the Board

Teleconference/Zoom Guests	Representing
Theresa Ure Stix	Schroeder Law Offices

In-Person Guests	Representing
Ernie Schank	Carson Water Subconservancy District
Joe Sanford	Churchill County Manager
Joe Gomes	Self
Thayne Gomes	Self

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

- Call to Order**
President Olsen called the meeting to order in accordance with NRS 241 at 9:10 a.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance**
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by General Manager Shawcroft.
- Approval of the Agenda**
A motion was made by Director Schank to adopt the agenda with Item #6 removed, seconded by Secretary Oakden, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.
- General Public Comment**
There was no public comment.

5. **Appeal of State Engineer Ruling #6559**

Deliberation and action on the filing of an appeal/judicial review of State Engineer Ruling 6559 which denied the protests filed by TCID and Churchill County concerning applications filed by NV-Reno Industrial, LLC, WS-Buckland LLC and WS-Buckland III LLC to remove from irrigation 954 irrigable acres of land currently irrigated with Carson River water.

Shawcroft informed the Board he is asking them to determine if TCID should appeal the State Engineer's decision. Ernie Schank, Vice-Chairman of the Carson Water Subconservancy District and former TCID Board President, addressed the Board to inform them that he read the protest and the ruling. His opinion is that it was a good ruling that was done by the book. If TCID protests, this will move to the Alpine Court and could open the door for the Tribe to push for further evaluation on all transfers. He believes in the long run it would be better to accept the ruling.

Joe Sanford, Churchill County Manager, addressed the Board and stated that Churchill County is supportive of TCID and it's mission. He is not an expert on water but he sees some issues with both options and will rely on TCID's decision.

Discussion followed regarding the application, how water is measured on the Carson River, and the implications of both options. Schank commented that the District filed a bunch of protests over subsurface rights about 15-20 years ago, and he believes those were justified. He reiterated that he doesn't believe this case is worth appealing.

A motion was made by Director Schank to not file an appeal of State Engineer Ruling #6559, seconded by Treasurer deBraga, request for comment and the motion was unanimously approved.

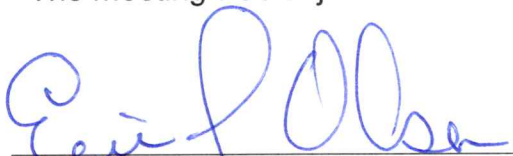
Under the comment portion of the motion, Director Schank explained his reasoning for the motion: to protect both the Alpine Decree and the water user's ownership rights.

6. **Additional Public Comment**

No additional public comment.

7. **Adjournment**

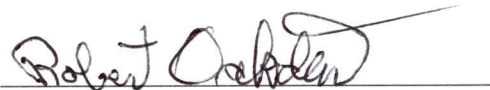
The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m. subject to the call of the Board Secretary.



Eric Olsen. – Board President

9-1-26

Date



Robert Oakden - Secretary

9/1/16

Date