



**MINUTES OF THE
GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT SUBDISTRICT OF THE
CENTRAL COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
AUGUST 18, 2026**

The regular monthly meeting of the Groundwater Management Subdistrict of the Central Colorado Water Conservancy District was held on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at the office of the Central Colorado Water Conservancy District located at 3209 W. 28th St. Greeley, Colorado. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Chairman Ralph Anders and the following Directors were present: Ralph Anders, President; Chad Schafer, Vice President; Bret Schmidt, Treasurer; Dave Bernhardt; Steve Bruntz; Doug Dill; David Eckhardt; Travis Hergert; Calven Goza; Dan Kammerzell; Randy Knutson; John Mark; Alan Mazzotti and Brian Rosenbrock.

Others present were Randy Ray, Executive Director; Danyelle Hart, Financial Analyst; Abby Gearhart, Water Resources Coordinator; Tammy Rusch, Education Coordinator and Lynn Kramer, Contracts Manager. Special guests were Brad Grasmick and Regan O'Donnell of Lawrence Custer Grasmick Jones & Donovan and Ed Armbruster of White Sands Water Engineers.

ACCEPT INTO THE RECORD THE CONSENT CALENDAR, FINANCIALS, AND ALL MINUTES OF JULY AND AUGUST 2026 AS PRESENTED.

MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT

SECOND: DOUG DILL

MOTION APPROVED

Public Discussion

Scott Thrailkill attended to discuss flood damage on his parents' property near the Kiowa Recharge project.

Bill Ray with WR Communications presented the results of the 2026 Community Survey.

Action Items

Lynn Kramer presented Petitions for Class D Irrigation Water Allotment Contracts for approval.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE NAME CHANGE ON GMS PETITION FOR CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #326 FROM CLYDE & ROBERTA ABBETT TO ABBETT TRUST FARMS LLC.

MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER

SECOND: DAVE BERNHARDT

MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE REVISION ON GMS PETITION FOR CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1300 CONNOR S. MEINING.

MOTION: JOHN MARK

SECOND: ALAN MAZZOTTI

MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF GMS PETITION FOR CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1270 W. CURTIS HALE TO GMS PETITION FOR CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1377 MAGNESS LAND HOLDINGS LLC.

MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI

SECOND: JOHN MARK

MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF GMS PETITION FOR CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1233 KINH PHAM TO CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1372 THOMAS AND NICOLE WALTZ.

MOTION: DOUG DILL

SECOND: ALAN MAZZOTTI

MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF GMS PETITION FOR CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1343 CAMPBELL SHELANDER LLC TO GMS PETITION FOR CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1379 JAMES & KARLA SARCHET.

MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI

SECOND: STEVE BRUNTZ

MOTION CARRIED

Lynn presented the board with data regarding the year-to-date pumping in each subdistrict.

Legal Action Items

MOVE TO ADJOURN THE OPEN MEETING AND GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR A CONFERENCE WITH THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING LEGAL ADVICE ON SPECIFIC LEGAL QUESTIONS UNDER SECTION 24-6-402(4)(B) C.R.S.

MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI

SECOND: DOUG DILL

MOTION CARRIED AT 10:35 A.M.

MOVE TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RETURN TO THE REGULAR MEETING.

MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT

SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT

MOTION CARRIED AT 10:59 A.M.

Legal/Legislative Reports

Brad Grasmick announced that David Strait will become a partner of Lawrence Custer Grasmick Jones & Donovan LLP as of October 1, 2026 and his hourly rate will increase.

Brad provided comments regarding last weeks Platte River Big Thompson Ditch meeting.

Brad Grasmick reviewed the July 2026 resume and recommended one case for opposition.

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE NO. 2026CW3114.

MOTION: STEVE BRUNTZ

SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT

MOTION CARRIED

David Jones updated the board on the Parker and Lower South Platte case and the Castle Rock case. Ed Armbruster provided comments. The board's consensus was that they agreed with the direction David was taking.

Regan O'Donnell provided a legislative update.

District Action

Randy presented the Crossing Agreement with Western Mutual Ditch.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE CROSSING AGREEMENT WITH WESTERN MUTUAL DITCH COMPANY.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED WITH RANDY KNUTSON AND DAVID ECKHARDT ABSTAINING.

Randy presented the 2026 Ballot Measures.

MOVE TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION OF THE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT SUBDISTRICT OF THE CENTRAL COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT CALLING AN ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 3, 2026 REFERRING TO ELIGIBLE ELECTORS A BALLOT MEASURE FOR A TAX INCREASE; SETTING THE BALLOT TITLE AND CONTENT FOR THE BALLOT MEASURE; AND PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: ALAN MAZZOTTI
MOTION CARRIED

The following will serve on the Election Committee - Ralph Anders, Chad Schafer, Bret Schmidt, Calven Goza, David Eckhardt, John Mark, Travis Hergert and Randy Ray.

The board reviewed the Intergovernmental Agreements for the November 2026 General Election.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ADAMS COUNTY AND THE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT SUBDISTRICT.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MORGAN COUNTY AND THE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT SUBDISTRICT.
MOTION: DOUG DILL
SECOND: CHAD SCHAFER
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WELD COUNTY AND THE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT SUBDISTRICT.
MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI
SECOND: DOUG DILL
MOTION CARRIED

Randy reviewed the options for the additional Walker pipeline installation and purchase. Danyelle Hart provided comments.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE OPTION FOR THE WALKER PIPELINE THAT INCLUDES THE CROSSING OF COUNTY ROAD 3.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

The board discussed possible dates for the GMDA 2027 Winter conference that will be held in Savannah Georgia.

Subdistrict Action

Randy presented the Herman Aug Well Agreement.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE AUGMENTATION WELL AGREEMENT BETWEEN GARY AND JOYCE HERMAN AND CCWCD, GMS AND WAS.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER
SECOND: BRET SCHMIDT
MOTION CARRIED

Staff Action

There was no staff action.

President's Report

There was no President's Report.

Education Report

The board watched the video of the Spring Children's Water Festival.

Water Quality Report

There was no Water Quality Report.

Subdistrict Report

Abby Gearhart provided an operational report.

District Report

There was no District Report.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Ray presented a handout depicting a history of data recorded at the Kersey gage.

New Business

Randy Ray addressed Scott Thraikill and conveyed the board's consensus that, as a one-time measure, the fencing would be replaced due to flooding associated with the Kiowa Recharge Project, provided the affected landowners entered into a Flood Easement.

MOVE TO ADJOURN.
MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT
SECOND: TRAVIS HERGERT
MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1:18 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lynn Kramer