



# Agenda

For Presentation at the  
2,225<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the  
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District

July 14, 2025 – 3:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting Link:

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Meeting ID: 276 506 9278 and Passcode: 504470



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- 3:00 1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3:01 2. **Approval of the Agenda**
- 3:03 3. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – July 14, 2025
  - b. Consideration/Approval of June 2025 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wesenberg, PC
  - c. Consideration/Approval of June 2025 Invoices for Spencer Fane LLP
  - d. Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – June 9, 2025
  - e. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for June 2025 (For Informational Purposes Only)
- 3:05 4. **Consideration/Approval of 2025 MRGCD Election Items**
  - a. Report from the Election Committee Meeting, July 14, 2025 – Chairman Kelly, Directors Russo Baca and Jiron
  - b. Discussion/Approval of Polling Locations – Tim Smith, Election Director
- 3:15 5. **Report(s) from the Water Operations**
  - a. Report on Water Supply Conditions – Anne Marken, River Operations & Telemetry Manager
  - b. Status Report on Water Distribution – Matt Martinez, Irrigation Distribution Manager
- 3:30 6. **Items from the Floor (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes)**
- 3:40 7. **Report(s) from the Department of the Interior**
  - a. Bureau of Reclamation – Jennifer Faler, Area Manager
  - b. Bureau of Indian Affairs – Patrick Taber, Acting Designated Engineer
- 3:50 8. **Report(s) from the Human Resources Department** – Christine L. Nardi, MBA
  - a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires
  - b. Employee Recognitions
- 4:00 9. **Report(s) from the Technical Services Director** – Eric Zamora, PE
  - a. Valencia County Fire Updates
    - 1. Discussion on Fire Mitigation Pilot Project(s)
  - b. Monsoon Operation & Maintenance (O&M) Response
  - c. Updates from the Albuquerque Division Manager, Derek Jarner
- 4:30 10. **Report(s) from the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO** – Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM
  - a. Consideration/Approval of Resolution M-07-14-25-224 Authorizing Acceptance of WTB Project WPF-6591 Funding Offer: Water Storage Conveyance and Delivery Project - Feeder 3 Pump Station from the NMFA
  - b. Consideration/Approval of the Resolution M-07-14-25-225 Adoption of the Special Water Service Charge for La Joya Acequia for the 2026 Irrigation Season
  - c. Review of End of Fiscal Year 2025 and Fourth Quarter Financials

- d. Consideration/Approval of Resolution BA-07-14-25-105 for the FY2025 Fourth Quarter Unaudited Financial Report and Unaudited Cash Balance Review as of July 14, 2025
- e. Report on the Finance Committee Meeting, July 14, 2025 – Chairman Kelly and Directors Dunning and Russo Baca

4:55 11. **Report(s) from the Chief Engineer/CEO** – Jason M. Casuga, PE

- a. Report on the Socorro County Informational Meeting, July 9, 2025 – Jason M. Casuga, CE/CEO, Eric Zamora, Director of Technical Services, Chairman Kelly, Directors Duggins, Jiron and Russo Baca
- b. Report on the Six Middle Rio Grande Pueblo Coalition Meeting, July 10, 2025 – Casey Ish, Director of Lands and Conservation, Anne Marken, River Ops & Telemetry Mgr. and Directors Russo Baca and Sandoval
- c. Information on Upcoming Events
  - 1. Valencia County Informational Meeting | July 17, 2025, 9 am – Noon | Tome Dominquez Hall, 2933 Hwy 47, Tome, NM
  - 2. Sandoval County Informational Meeting | July 24, 2025, 9 am – Noon | Black Mesa Casino Auditorium, 25 Hagen Rd, Algodones, NM
  - 3. Bernalillo County Informational Meeting | July 31, 2025, 9 am – Noon | South Valley Multipurpose Senior Center, 2008 Larrazolo Rd SW, Albuquerque, NM
  - 4. NM Water Law 32nd Annual Conference, September 11-12, 2025 – Santa Fe, NM
  - 5. Coalition of Rio Grande Water Users Conference, September 30 to October 2, 2025 – Santa Fe, NM
  - 6. 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Tribal Water Law Super Conference, October 16 – 17, 2025 – Isleta Resort & Casino
  - 7. Family Farm Alliance Annual Conference, October 30-31, 2025 – Reno, NV (*August 30 deadline*)

5:10 12. **Report(s) from the MRGCD Attorney(s) – Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**

5:20 13. **Report(s) from the Board**

- a. Report on the City of Albuquerque Open Space Meeting, June 10, 2025 – Vice Chair Baugh
- b. Report on the Farmers for Future Farmers Meeting, June 10, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- c. Report on the River Mile 60 Tour with Office of Rep. Gabe Vasquez, June 11, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- d. Report on the Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG) Board Meeting, June 12, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- e. Report on the TOTAL NM (Teaching Outdoors to ALL Learners) Teaching Beyond the Walls Conference, June 13, 2025 – Vice Chair Baugh
- f. Report on the Valencia Soil & Water Conservation District Board Meeting, June 13 & June 26, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- g. Report on the Tierra Viva Neighborhood Association, June 20, 2025 – Vice Chair Baugh
- h. Report on the Valencia County Emergency Commission Meeting, June 23, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- i. Report on the Interview for the MRGCD Documentary, June 24, 2025 – Director Russo Baca
- j. Report on the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI) Environmental Science Program, June 24, 2025 – Vice Chair Baugh
- k. Report on a Constituent Meeting off the Harwood Lateral, June 25, 2025 – Vice Chair Baugh
- l. Report on the NM Water Resources Research Institute (WRII) Agricultural Water Resilience Program Webinar, July 1, 2025 – Director Russo Baca

6:00 14. **Executive Session**

- a. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)2
  - 1. Limited Personnel Matters
- b. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)7
  - 2. Threatened or Pending Litigation

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## MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors

Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer

From: DeAnna Philips, Board Liaison

Date: July 9, 2025

Re: Consideration/Approval of the Consent Agenda.

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The Consent Agenda includes the MRGCD check book for the month, both legal counsel's invoices for the prior month, the minutes from the prior Board of Directors regular meeting, and a list of the approved MRGCD licenses for the prior month.

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**Staff Recommendation** is to approve the above items within the Consent Agenda.

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Warrant	Vendor Name	Amount	Description	Location
EFT	NEW MEXICO TAXATION & REVENUE DEPARTMENT	36,376.84	MAY 2025 WITHHOLDING TAX	
EFT	PAYROLL	356,477.69	PAY PERIOD 12	
EFT	PERA	126,240.16	PAY PERIOD 12	
EFT	IRS	50,912.43	PAY PERIOD 12	
EFT	VOYA DEFERRED COMP	28,705.16	PAY PERIOD 12	
EFT	PAYROLL	352,294.65	PAY PERIOD 13	
EFT	PERA	126,262.22	PAY PERIOD 13	
EFT	IRS	48,648.08	PAY PERIOD 13	
EFT	VOYA DEFERRED COMP	8,705.16	PAY PERIOD 13	
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL</b>		<b>1,134,622.39</b>		
<b>Checks</b>				
154822	BCBS	10,834.50	DENTAL JUN2025	GENERAL FUND
154823	CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE	239,950.84	MEDICAL JUN2025	GENERAL FUND
154824	HM LIFE INSURANCE	1,495.89	DAVIS VISION JUN25	GENERAL FUND
154825	UNUM LIFE INSURANCE	1,676.65	UNUM INSURANCE JUN2025	GENERAL FUND
154826	4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	455.40	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,437.65	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		223.80	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		25.06	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154827	ACOSTA EQUIPMENT INC	106.54	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
		28.74	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154828	ACTION ALIGNMENT INC	673.50	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
154829	ACTION HOSE INC.	341.63	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		294.78	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154830	ALBUQUERQUE POWER	140.34	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154831	ALBUQUERQUE PUBLISHING	80.27	LEGAL NOTICES	PURCHASING
154832	ALL AMERICAN PUMPING	115.00	PORTABLE TOILET RENTAL	SOCORRO DIVISION
154833	ALLSTATE HYDRAULICS	1,538.77	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154834	AMAZON CAPITAL	116.68	HYDROLOGY SUPPLIES	WATER OPERATIONS
154835	AWARDS ETC.	7.50	NAME PLATE	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
154836	BAKER UTILITY SUPPLY	34,560.00	BLACK PIPE	INVENTORY
154837	BJW VENTURES, LLC	99.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154838	BOHANNAN HUSTON	8,846.36	BELEN HIGHLINE OVERFLOW DESIGN	BELEN DIVISION
154839	BOHANNAN HUSTON	1,374.37	BELEN HIGHLINE CONSTRUCTION ADMIN	BELEN DIVISION
154840	BOOT BARN	114.74	BOOT VOUCHER	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		386.95	BOOT VOUCHER	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
154841	BUSTED STEM	150.68	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154842	CENTURY EQUIPMENT	24.20	FREIGHT	SOCORRO DIVISION
		4,807.14	HYDRAULIC MOTOR/RETROFIT KIT - UNIT 47026	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		330.32	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154843	CENTURY LINK	96.56	VOIP/INTERNET	BELEN DIVISION
154844	CHASE MECHANICAL LLC	1,710.62	WATER LEAK	BELEN DIVISION
154845	CITY OF BELEN	914.28	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	BELEN DIVISION
154846	CITY OF SOCORRO	135.11	NATURAL GAS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		240.53	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	SOCORRO DIVISION
154847	CONSERVANCY OIL CO	9,268.60	OILS	INVENTORY
154848	CONSTRUCTION RENTAL	2,297.11	STIHL PRODUCTS	INVENTORY
154849	CONTINENTAL BATTERY	77.42	BATTERIES	COCHITI DIVISION
		160.70	BATTERIES	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
154850	CRAIG INDEPENDENT	391.88	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		27.77	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
154851	CRITTERS OIL CHANGE	150.00	OIL CHANGE	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
154852	DESERT GREENS EQUIPMENT	2,063.98	BRUSH CUTTERS/WEED TRIMMERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		36.00	FREIGHT	SOCORRO DIVISION
		9.49	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		389.34	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154853	DIESEL LAPTOPS, LLC	4,590.00	DIESEL LAPTOPS RENEWAL	BELEN DIVISION
		4,590.00	DIESEL LAPTOPS RENEWAL	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154854	DUNNING, KAREN	140.01	NWRA POLICY CONF WASHINGTON DC	BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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		13.59	NWRA POLICY CONF WASHINGTON DC	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		13.59	NWRA POLICY CONF WASHINGTON DC	EXEC TEAM
154855	ENCHANTMENT SAFETY & SUPPLIE	2,121.40	SAFETY GLASSES	INVENTORY
154856	FRANK'S SUPPLY CO	17.70	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
154857	GALLOPING GOAT	28,054.69	VEGETATION PROJECT	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
154858	GENUINE NAPA	614.75	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		43.48	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
154859	GEOTEL CORPORATION	1,083.23	PRESS CLIPPING SERVICE	ADMINISTRATION
154860	GOVERNMENT PORTFOLIO	1,059.45	INVESTMENT SERVICES	ACCOUNTING
154861	GRAINGER	55.70	HYDROLOGY SUPPLIES	WATER OPERATIONS
154862	GREENWOOD, JEFFREY C	477.14	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154863	HIGH DESERT INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	106.25	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
154864	IRON HORSE WELDING	131.25	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		6,200.66	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154865	JIVE COMMUNICATIONS,	2,627.60	VOIP/INTERNET	GENERAL OFFICE
154866	JOSE M. AGUILAR J.A	509.82	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154867	LARRY H. MILLER	26.68	FLUIDS/FILTERS	EXEC TEAM
154868	MAINTENANCE SERVICE	414.10	JANITORIAL CLEAN	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		2,036.03	JANITORIAL SERVICES	GENERAL OFFICE
154869	MATHESON TRI-GAS INC	2,400.00	MILLER SPECTRUM 625 PLASMA CUTTER	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		38.91	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154870	MCSWEENEY, JUDITH	251.62	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154871	MCT INDUSTRIES, INC.	389.46	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		466.47	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154872	NAPA AUTO PARTS	10.57	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		703.25	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
		15.00	SAFETY SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		18.24	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		239.99	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
		196.02	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154873	NED'S PIPE & STEEL	44.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		540.00	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
154874	NEW MEXICO GAS CO	44.82	NATURAL GAS	BELEN DIVISION
154875	NEW MEXICO GAS CO	66.34	NATURAL GAS	COCHITI DIVISION
154876	NEW MEXICO TRACTOR SALES	1,586.75	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		6,369.28	VALVE CONVERSION - UNIT 57021	BELEN DIVISION
154877	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	10.99	FLUIDS/FILTERS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154878	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	406.83	RANDOM, POST ACCIDENT SCREENING	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		78.57	RANDOM, POST ACCIDENT SCREENING	COCHITI DIVISION
154879	OLGUIN TAMMY	257.71	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154880	OVERHEAD DOOR CO OF ABQ	116.30	HINGES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154881	PARTS AUTHORITY	1,971.58	BALDWIN FILTERS	INVENTORY
154882	PENA BLANCA SANITATION	84.19	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	COCHITI DIVISION
154883	PNM	594.14	ELECTRICITY	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154884	POWER EQUIPMENT	17.45	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		416.78	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154885	POWER FORD	399.90	PARTS & REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
154886	PRINT EXPRESS	60.00	BUSINESS CARDS	EXEC TEAM
154887	PRUDENTIAL OVERALL SUPPLY	67.20	UNIFORM RENTAL	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154888	PURCELL TIRE COMPANY	347.36	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
154889	QUEST DIAGNOSTICS	118.00	PRE-EMPLOYMENT/RANDOM SCREENING	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		59.00	PRE-EMPLOYMENT/RANDOM SCREENING	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		42.65	PRE-EMPLOYMENT/RANDOM SCREENING	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
154890	RAIN FOR RENT	47,241.08	PUMP RENTAL	CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND
154891	RANDY'S ACE HARDWARE	4.44	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		126.52	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
154892	RED SHOVEL LLC	843.63	LANDSCAPE MONTHLY MAINTENANCE	GENERAL OFFICE
154893	ROBERTS TRUCK CENTER	15.85	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		347.00	FLUIDS/FILTERS	BELEN DIVISION
		2,423.91	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		5.07	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154894	SOUTHERN TIRE MART	882.82	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION

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154895	SOUTHWEST CONSTRUCTION	48.12	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154896	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	753.73	INK	INVENTORY
154897	STEWART & STEVENSON	1,483.93	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
154898	TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION GROU	2,245.83	DATTO INFINITE CLOUD SERVICE	NON DIVISION
154899	TRANSCRIPTION OUTSOURCING, LI	491.63	BOD MINUTES & TRANSCRIPTIONS	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
154900	UNIFIRST CORP	65.88	UNIFORM RENTAL	SOCORRO DIVISION
154901	UNIFORMS & MORE LLC	124.00	UNIFORM SHIRTS	ENGINEERING
		710.00	UNIFORM SHIRTS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154902	WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO.	86.85	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154903	WASTE MANAGEMENT	315.87	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	COCHITI DIVISION
154904	WATER STRATEGIES	9,000.00	FEDERAL REPRESENTATION SERVICES - MAR25	NON DIVISION
154905	WILSON & COMPANY	48,098.46	LOW FLOW CHANNEL CROSSING DESIGN	GRANTS FUND SOC
154906	CF PADILLA, LLC	521,156.25	LOW FLOW CONVEYANCE CHANNEL PROJECT	GRANTS FUND SOC
154907	HOME DEPOT CREDIT	30.33	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		63.20	CUTOFF WHEELS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		32.94	INSECT KILLER	COCHITI DIVISION
		141.89	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		399.00	TRANSFER PUMP	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154908	SOCORRO COUNTY CLERK	25.00	RELEASE OF LIEN	ACCOUNTING
154909	U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE	25,247.78	REFUND FOR EFT WSC OVERPAYMENT	GENERAL FUND
154910	ABCWUA	875.53	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		354.30	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		776.22	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	GENERAL OFFICE
154911	ACTION HOSE INC.	72.45	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154912	ALBUQUERQUE FREIGHT	448.52	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154913	ALBUQUERQUE GRAVEL	297.00	CONCRETE/SHOTCRETE	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		624.00	CONCRETE/SHOTCRETE	BELEN DIVISION
154914	ALBUQUERQUE POWER	582.56	BAR OIL	INVENTORY
		126.61	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154915	ALBUQUERQUE PUBLISHING	1,184.39	LEGAL NOTICES	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
154916	AMAZON CAPITAL	33.99	KEYBOARD	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		834.00	LAPTOPS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		40.79	WATER FILTER	GENERAL OFFICE
154917	AMERESCO INC	1,071.96	HYDROLOGY SUPPLIES	WATER OPERATIONS
154918	BENAVIDEZ, CAROL	544.72	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154919	BLACK ROCK	2,279.39	RIP RAP 4-8"	BELEN DIVISION
154920	BOHANNAN HUSTON	4,129.60	FEEDER 3 TASK ORDER 5	ENGINEERING
154921	BOOT BARN	150.00	BOOT VOUCHER	PURCHASING
154922	BUSTED STEM	161.44	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154923	CARRILLO, RALPH	33.66	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154924	CENTURY EQUIPMENT	910.02	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		446.32	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		1,258.36	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154925	CHACON, MARK	19.94	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154926	CHASE MECHANICAL LLC	1,687.90	WATER LEAK	GENERAL OFFICE
154927	CHOICE STEEL COMPANY	891.00	2" SQUARE TUBING	INVENTORY
154928	CONSTRUCTION TRUCK	36.78	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		411.30	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154929	CONTINENTAL BATTERY	107.13	BATTERIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154930	CRAIG INDEPENDENT	39.89	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		64.14	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
154931	DESERT GREENS EQUIPMENT	4,922.35	JD FILTERS	INVENTORY
		147.93	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		75.14	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154932	DMC LOGISTICS	296.04	BOARD MEETING PACKET DELIVERY	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
154933	FINANCE AUTHORITY	12,832.29	JUN25 EQUIPMENT	DEBT SERVICE
		28,234.19	JUN25 EQUIPMENT FY24	DEBT SERVICE
		17,781.88	JUN25 EQUIPMENT PPRF-4727	DEBT SERVICE
154934	FLEETPRIDE	40.19	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154935	GENUINE NAPA	32.70	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154936	GOMEZ, RAY	1,973.90	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154937	GPS, LLC	126.92	OIL CHANGE	SOCORRO DIVISION

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		96.92	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154938	GRAYBAR	167.00	HYDROLOGY SUPPLIES	WATER OPERATIONS
154939	HDR ENGINEERING	10,473.72	JUNIOR GRANT - CLASSROOM DESIGN	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
154940	JIFFY LUBE	69.82	OIL CHANGE	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
		37.53	PARTS & REPAIRS	EXEC TEAM
154941	KRONOS SAASHR, INC.	1,435.56	KRONOS ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
154942	LINDE GAS	995.41	WELDING SUPPLIES	INVENTORY
154943	MATHESON TRI-GAS INC	15.05	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
		75.24	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154944	MCBRIDE'S INC	618.14	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154945	MCT INDUSTRIES, INC.	183.30	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154946	MESA OIL, INC	125.00	FLUID DISPOSAL	BELEN DIVISION
154947	MORA, RUBEN	669.73	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154948	NAPA AUTO PARTS	21.71	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		363.44	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		444.72	PARTS & REPAIRS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		145.59	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		13.47	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		26.39	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154949	NEW MEXICO GAS CO	38.90	NATURAL GAS	COCHITI DIVISION
154950	NEW MEXICO MUTUAL	179.77	JUN25 WORKERS COMP	NON DIVISION
154951	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	440.69	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		1,026.97	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		185.98	PARTS & REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
		39.99	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
		79.97	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	COCHITI DIVISION
154952	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	215.26	DOT RANDOM SCREENING	BELEN DIVISION
154953	PACIFIC OFFICE AUTO	232.36	COPIER LEASE FY25	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		143.84	COPIER LEASE FY25	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		730.25	COPIER LEASE FY25	GENERAL OFFICE
154954	PNM	621.35	ELECTRICITY	BELEN DIVISION
		12,263.51	PUMP ELECTRICITY	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154955	POLING, JAMES	209.24	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154956	PRUDENTIAL OVERALL S	250.00	UNIFORM RENTAL	BELEN DIVISION
		154.54	UNIFORM RENTAL	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154957	PURCELL TIRE COMPANY	1,696.74	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154958	QUADIENT, INC.	452.65	QUARTERLY POSTAGE METER LEASE	GENERAL OFFICE
154959	RAKS BUILDING SUPPLY	(20.79)	CREDIT - BUILDING MAINTENANCE	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		104.90	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154960	RANCHERO BUILDERS	37.45	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154961	RELEVANT INDUSTRIAL	126.98	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		40.16	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
154962	ROBERTS TRUCK CENTER	233.19	FLUIDS/FILTERS	BELEN DIVISION
		35.00	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		25.00	FREIGHT	SOCORRO DIVISION
		1,020.72	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,483.16	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		891.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154963	SAN ACACIA MDWCA	21.52	WATER/SEWER/REFUSE	SOCORRO DIVISION
154964	SOCORRO ELECTRIC	565.24	ELECTRICITY	SOCORRO DIVISION
		678.64	PUMP ELECTRICITY	SOCORRO DIVISION
154965	SOUTHERN TIRE MART	102.24	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
154966	SOUTHWEST CONSTRUCTION	328.12	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154967	SOUTHWEST LANDFILL	9,250.80	LANDFILL	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		4,646.25	LANDFILL	BELEN DIVISION
154968	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	60.62	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
154969	SWCA	21,182.76	2025 EGG MONITORING	NON DIVISION
154970	TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION GROU	724.53	DATTO EMAIL SAAS PROTECTION	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
154971	TRUEPOINT SOLUTIONS	1,480.00	CONFIGURATION & REPORT DEVELOPMENT	NON DIVISION
154972	UNIVERSITY MRO LLC	40.00	PRE EMPLOYMENT SCREENING	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
154973	V-VARGAS, ERMELINDA	445.44	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154974	WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO.	77.03	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION

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154975	WILLIAMS WINDMILL	16.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
154976	WIPER SUPPLY INC	2,042.37	TOWELS/SANITIZER	INVENTORY
154977	AFSCME COUNCIL 18	1,590.45	PAYROLL UNION DUES	GENERAL FUND
154978	BERNALILLO COUNTY CLERK	25.00	RELEASE OF LIEN	ACCOUNTING
154979	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	1,964.78	PAYROLL GARNISHMENT	GENERAL FUND
154980	SANDOVAL COUNTY CLERK	25.00	RELEASE OF LIEN	ACCOUNTING
154981	SOCORRO COUNTY CLERK	50.00	RELEASE OF LIEN	ACCOUNTING
154982	ZAMORA, ERIC	14.17	TRAVEL EXPENSE	EXEC TEAM
154983	ACTION HOSE INC.	94.65	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
154984	ADVANCE AUTO PARTS	683.76	WIPERS/CARB CLEAN	INVENTORY
154985	ALBUQUERQUE GRAVEL	639.00	CONCRETE/SHOTCRETE	BELEN DIVISION
154986	ALBUQUERQUE POWER	46.78	BAR & CHAIN OIL	INVENTORY
		154.23	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154987	ALBUQUERQUE PUBLISHING	98.60	LEGAL NOTICES	PURCHASING
154988	ATMAX EQUIPMENT CO	43.46	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		1,371.62	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154989	BOOT BARN	186.99	BOOT VOUCHER	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		199.74	BOOT VOUCHER	SOCORRO DIVISION
154990	BUSTED STEM	750.80	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
154991	CASTLE BRANCH, INC.	709.10	PRE EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND CHECKS	HUMAN RESOURCES
154992	CENTURY LINK	192.53	VOIP/INTERNET	SOCORRO DIVISION
154993	COFFEETIME	41.85	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
154994	CONSERVANCY OIL CO	1,359.60	DEF	INVENTORY
154995	CONTINENTAL BATTERY	258.00	BATTERIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
154996	CRAIG INDEPENDENT	232.93	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		48.20	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
154997	CRITTERS OIL CHANGE	75.00	OIL CHANGE	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
154998	DESERT GREENS EQUIPMENT	1,429.08	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
154999	FLEETPRIDE	89.99	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
155000	GENUINE NAPA	116.21	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
155001	GPS, LLC	128.65	OIL CHANGE	SOCORRO DIVISION
		22.50	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155002	HDR ENGINEERING	15,082.27	JUNIOR GRANT - CLASSROOM DESIGN	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
155003	HDR ENGINEERING	4,996.28	JUNIOR GRANT - CLASSROOM DESIGN	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
155004	HDR ENGINEERING	2,249.69	JUNIOR GRANT - CLASSROOM DESIGN	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
155005	J & B AUTOMOTIVE	77.55	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155006	JARAMILLO, DANNY A.	1,642.46	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
155007	LEVEL 3 FINANCING IN	263.94	VOIP/INTERNET	BELEN DIVISION
		1,414.77	VOIP/INTERNET	COCHITI DIVISION
		1,547.59	VOIP/INTERNET	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		263.94	VOIP/INTERNET	SOCORRO DIVISION
155008	NAPA AUTO PARTS	13.95	FLUIDS/FILTERS	EXEC TEAM
		54.87	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		48.00	SAFETY SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		7.63	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
155009	NEW MEXICO GAS CO	46.52	NATURAL GAS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		41.82	NATURAL GAS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		41.99	NATURAL GAS	GENERAL OFFICE
155010	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	25.82	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155011	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	111.93	DOT RECERTIFICATION	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		223.86	DOT RECERTIFICATION	SOCORRO DIVISION
		252.92	PRE EMPLOYMENT SCREENING	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		252.92	PRE EMPLOYMENT SCREENING	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
		136.69	PRE-EMPLOYMENT/POST ACCIDENT SCREENING	COCHITI DIVISION
		252.92	PRE-EMPLOYMENT/POST ACCIDENT SCREENING	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
155012	PNM	43.85	ELECTRICITY	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		97.52	ELECTRICITY	BELEN DIVISION
		200.20	ELECTRICITY	COCHITI DIVISION
155013	PURCELL TIRE COMPANY	26.75	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155014	RAKS BUILDING SUPPLY	16.81	CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
155015	SNELLING	1,043.34	TEMP STAFFING	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
155016	SOUTHWEST LANDFILL	5,041.09	LANDFILL	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION



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		1,736.57	LANDFILL	BELEN DIVISION
155017	SPECIALTY COMMUNICATIONS	161.44	MONTHLY RADIO REPEATER	NON DIVISION
155018	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	81.81	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
155019	THE PRINTERS PRESS	851.00	LABELS	GENERAL OFFICE
155020	UNIFIRST CORP	65.88	UNIFORM RENTAL	SOCORRO DIVISION
155021	UNIFORMS & MORE LLC	40.00	UNIFORM SHIRTS	ACCOUNTING
		138.00	UNIFORM SHIRTS	COCHITI DIVISION
		196.00	UNIFORM SHIRTS	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		2,615.00	UNIFORM SHIRTS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155022	WEX BANK	78,523.43	UNL \$24,900 DIESEL \$54,200 FEES/REBATES \$(577)	MULTIPLE DEPTS/DIVISIONS
155023	4 RIVERS EQUIPMENT	45.00	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		779.16	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		2,126.84	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
155024	A & A LOCK & KEY	3,624.00	KEYS	BELEN DIVISION
155025	ACOSTA EQUIPMENT INC	949.99	MISC. TOOLS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		114.46	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
155026	ACTION HOSE INC.	286.72	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		461.12	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		131.42	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
		4.28	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		159.29	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	COCHITI DIVISION
155027	ALBUQUERQUE BOLT	13.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155028	ALBUQUERQUE GRAVEL	2,510.00	CONCRETE/SHOTCRETE	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155029	ALL AMERICAN PUMPING	115.00	PORTABLE TOILET RENTAL	SOCORRO DIVISION
155030	ALLSTATE HYDRAULICS	650.00	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
155031	ALPHA SOUTHWEST	19,630.10	SOCORRO BOOSTER STATION MAINTENANCE	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
155032	AMAZON CAPITAL	1,526.44	COMPUTER SUPPLIES	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		30.38	SECURITY CAMERAS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155033	BOHANNAN HUSTON	10,278.85	FEEDER 3 TASK ORDER 5	ENGINEERING
155034	BOOT BARN	161.49	BOOT VOUCHER	BELEN DIVISION
155035	BOYD-SHUCK NAPA	303.89	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		49.37	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
155036	BUDGET TRANSMISSION	6,320.00	REMANUFACTURED TRANSMISSION & INSTALLATION	SOCORRO DIVISION
155037	BUSTED STEM	301.36	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		166.82	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155038	C & C SERVICES	161.59	CRUSHED ROCK	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155039	CASTLE BRANCH, INC.	134.60	PRE EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND CHECKS	HUMAN RESOURCES
155040	CENTURY EQUIPMENT	5,411.45	SPINDLE ASSEMBLY	SOCORRO DIVISION
		1,703.68	TITAN FILTERS	INVENTORY
155041	CHASE MECHANICAL LLC	5,958.37	FILTRATION SYS/WATER FOUNTAIN	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		1,837.40	MAPPING MAIN WATER LINE	GENERAL OFFICE
155042	CHOICE STEEL COMPANY	6,015.00	2" AND 4" SQUARE TUBING	INVENTORY
		503.40	EXPANDED METAL	INVENTORY
155043	CONSTRUCTION RENTAL	20.00	FREIGHT	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		161.59	PARTS & REPAIRS	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
155044	CONTINENTAL BATTERY	286.00	BATTERIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
155045	CRAIG INDEPENDENT	98.45	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		39.14	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
155046	CRITTERS OIL CHANGE	300.00	OIL CHANGE	BELEN DIVISION
		75.00	OIL CHANGE	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
155047	DESERT GARDENS	86,372.19	TREE REMOVAL	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
155048	DESERT GREENS EQUIPMENT	475.30	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		61.70	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
155049	FIVE J'S AUTO PARTS	20.00	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155050	FRESNO VALVES	27,000.00	12"&15" TURNOUTS	INVENTORY
155051	GENSLER, DAVID	302.62	RETIREE HEALTH INS PREMIUMS	HUMAN RESOURCES
155052	GENUINE NAPA	36.06	FLUIDS/FILTERS	BELEN DIVISION
		138.84	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		17.09	PARTS & REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
		74.23	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
155053	GM PIPE, LLC	7,962.51	PIPE/ ZIA LANE PROJECT	BELEN DIVISION
155054	GOVERNMENT PORTFOLIO	1,069.02	INVESTMENT SERVICES	ACCOUNTING

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155055	GPS, LLC	209.99	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155056	GRAINGER	179.00	SHOP/WELD TOOLS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155057	GUZMAN CONSTRUCTION	569.94	RIP RAP	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155058	HIGH DESERT INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	103.72	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
155059	HUNTER BOWER LUMBER	3,532.00	LUMBER	INVENTORY
155060	IDEAL PLUMBING	2,300.00	DAMAGE DEPOSIT REFUND	GENERAL FUND
155061	INLAND KENWORTH INC.	86.29	FLUIDS/FILTERS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		915.30	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		535.80	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155062	INSITUFORM TECH LLC.	4,600.00	DAMAGE DEPOSIT REFUND	GENERAL FUND
155063	INTERSTATE BATTERIES	180.00	BATTERIES	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		135.00	BATTERIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		90.00	BATTERIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
		45.00	BATTERIES	WATER OPERATIONS
		33.90	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155064	IRSC	578.60	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
155065	JIFFY LUBE	70.72	OIL CHANGE	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
155066	LEGALSHIELD	565.60	LEGALSHIELD	GENERAL FUND
155067	LINDE GAS	49.90	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	COCHITI DIVISION
155068	MCT INDUSTRIES, INC.	1,724.50	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
155069	NAPA AUTO PARTS	13.06	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		249.00	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	BELEN DIVISION
		293.13	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
155070	O'REILLY AUTO PARTS	47.99	FLUIDS/FILTERS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
		440.55	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		23.43	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155071	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH	252.92	EMPLOYEE SCREENING	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		111.93	EMPLOYEE SCREENING	BELEN DIVISION
		252.92	EMPLOYEE SCREENING	SAFETY DEPARTMENT
		74.26	EMPLOYEE SCREENING	WATER OPERATIONS
155072	PNM	1,219.61	ELECTRICITY	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		238.29	ELECTRICITY	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		1,979.73	ELECTRICITY	GENERAL OFFICE
155073	POWER EQUIPMENT	30.00	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		85.00	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		851.58	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		180.29	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		1,008.49	VOLO FILTER	INVENTORY
155074	PRUDENTIAL OVERALL SUPPLY	100.00	UNIFORM RENTAL	BELEN DIVISION
		134.40	UNIFORM RENTAL	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
155075	PURCELL TIRE COMPANY	937.22	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		26.75	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
155076	RAKS BUILDING SUPPLY	48.62	HYDROLOGY SUPPLIES	WATER OPERATIONS
155077	RELEVANT INDUSTRIAL	262.23	PARTS & REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
155078	ROBERTS TRUCK CENTER	1,474.94	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155079	RUBICON SYSTEMS	10,375.00	SHIPPING & FREIGHT	CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND
155080	SAFETY-KLEEN CORP.	434.35	SHOP/WELD SUPPLIES	SOCORRO DIVISION
155081	SIERRA VALLEY CONTRACTORS	2,300.00	REFUND FOR SP USE LICENSE	GENERAL FUND
155082	SNELLING	2,177.40	TEMP STAFFING	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
155083	SOCORRO ELECTRIC	133.86	ELECTRICITY	SOCORRO DIVISION
155084	SOUTHERN TIRE MART	126.00	FREIGHT	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		265.78	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		265.78	PARTS & REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
		995.13	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION
		742.26	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		176.20	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	COCHITI DIVISION
		1,679.44	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
		583.31	TIRE REPLACEMENT/REPAIRS	WATER DISTRIBUTION DIV
155085	SOUTHWEST CONSTRUCTION	40.10	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
155086	SPECIALTY COMMUNICATIONS	161.44	MONTHLY RADIO REPEATER SERVICE	NON DIVISION
155087	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	54.26	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
155088	T & T TRAILER SERVICES	332.96	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION

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155089	THE PRINTERS PRESS	5,169.00	VINYL LABELS	GENERAL OFFICE
155090	TLC CO INC	2,300.00	DAMAGE DEPOSIT REFUND	GENERAL FUND
155091	TRANSCRIPTION	521.44	BOD MINUTES & TRANSCRIPTIONS	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
155092	UNIFIRST CORP	131.76	UNIFORM RENTAL	SOCORRO DIVISION
155093	UNUM LIFE INSURANCE	11,660.06	UNUM INSURANCE INVOICING FY 2025	GENERAL FUND
155094	WAGNER EQUIPMENT CO.	222.67	PARTS & REPAIRS	SOCORRO DIVISION
155095	WATER STRATEGIES	9,000.00	FEDERAL REPRESENTATION SERVICES - JUNE25	NON DIVISION
		9,000.00	FEDERAL REPRESENTATION SERVICES - MAY25	NON DIVISION
155096	AFSCME COUNCIL 18	1,567.40	PAYROLL UNION DUES	GENERAL FUND
155097	BERNALILLO COUNTY CLERK	25.00	RELEASE OF LIEN	ACCOUNTING
155098	CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	1,964.78	PAYROLL GARNISHMENT	GENERAL FUND
155099	MOLINA, AMANDA	252.16	PUBLIC AFFAIRS & GOVT SUMMIT	ADMINISTRATION
155100	VALENCIA COUNTY CLERK	125.00	RELEASE OF LIENS	ACCOUNTING
<b>Credit Card Payment</b>				
900021	WELLS FARGO BANK	846.72	AWRA CONFERENCE - A. MARKEN	WATER OPERATIONS
		119.99	CANVA RENEWAL	ADMINISTRATION
		3,654.54	CLUTCH ASSEMBLY - UNIT 44480.40	BELEN DIVISION
		2,030.88	EMAIL & TEXT MESSAGING SYSTEM	ADMINISTRATION
		278.00	FREIGHT	BELEN DIVISION
		166.50	HOTEL - T. PITTS INTERVIEW	NON DIVISION
		415.00	IRWA COURSE - K. WARD	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
		415.00	IRWA COURSE - M. PADILLA	RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT
		39.94	MAY25 INTERMEDIA ANNUAL	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		1.09	MAY25 ZENDESK	INFORMATION SYSTEMS
		319.82	NWRA POLICY CONFERENCE	EXEC TEAM
		2,256.85	NWRA POLICY CONFERENCE - C. BAUGH	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		2,256.85	NWRA POLICY CONFERENCE - C. ISH	CONSERVATION/PLANNING
		2,256.85	NWRA POLICY CONFERENCE - J. CASUGA	EXEC TEAM
		1,196.17	NWRA POLICY CONFERENCE - K. DUNNING	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
		279.87	OFFICE SUPPLIES	GENERAL OFFICE
		201.42	PARTS & REPAIRS	BELEN DIVISION
		422.00	PRSA MEMBERSHIP - A. MOLINA	ADMINISTRATION
		978.49	TYLER CONNECT - A. ZAMORA	HUMAN RESOURCES
		918.69	TYLER CONNECT - B. SMITH	EQUIPMENT REPAIR & TRANS
		918.69	TYLER CONNECT - J. GAMBOA	ACCOUNTING
		917.85	TYLER CONNECT - P. FANELLI	EXEC TEAM
		<b>1,134,622.39</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYROLL</b>	
		<b>985,851.81</b>	<b>TOTAL CHECKS/EFT - GENERAL FUND</b>	
		<b>58,848.36</b>	<b>TOTAL CHECKS - DEBT SERVICE FUND</b>	
		<b>569,254.71</b>	<b>TOTAL CHECKS - GRANT FUND</b>	
		<b>57,616.08</b>	<b>TOTAL CHECKS - CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND</b>	
		<b><u>\$ 2,806,193.35</u></b>	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	
<div> <div> Pamela S. Fanelli, CMA, CGFM  Secretary-Treasurer/CFO </div> <div> John P. Kelly, Chairman  MRGCD Board of Directors </div> </div>				

**MINUTES OF THE  
2,224th REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

**JUNE 9, 2025 - 3:00 PM**

Directors having been duly notified; Chair John Kelly called the regular meeting to order 3:00 pm. The following Directors and Staff were present:

**DIRECTORS**

John P. Kelly, Chair  
Colin T. Baugh, Vice Chair  
Brian Jiron, Director  
Stephanie Russo Baca, Director  
Glen Duggins, Director  
Micheal T. Sandoval, Director  
Karen Dunning, Director

Present  
Present  
Absent  
Present  
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Present  
Absent

Jason Casuga  
Lorna Wiggins  
Jeff Wechsler  
Pamela Fanelli  
Eric Zamora  
Anne Marken  
Matt Martinez

**STAFF**

Chief Engineer/CEO  
General Counsel  
Chief Water Counsel  
Secretary-Treasurer/CFO  
Director of Technical Services  
River Operations & Telemetry Mgr.  
Water Distribution Division Mgr.

The following names of individuals were interested viewers, callers and/or participants:

Rudy Gonzales, La Joya  
Jorge Garcia, CESOSS  
Patrick Taber, BIA  
David Montoya  
Casey Ish, MRGCD  
Ernie Marquez, MRGCD  
Mark Sanchez  
Amanda Molina, MRGCD  
Angel Madera, MRGCD  
Amy Erickson  
Danielle Feygin, MRGCD

Sam Roberts, La Joya  
Clint Autrey, CF Padilla  
Margarita Sanchez, Belen  
Tim Smith, AES  
Richard DeLoia, MRGCD  
Christine Nardi, MRGCD  
John Thompson, MRGCD  
Marta Moersch, MRGCD  
Angelina Jimenez, MRGCD  
Elaine Hebard  
Amelia Barrow, MRGCD

Colleen McRoberts, CABQ  
Clayton Padilla, CF Padilla  
Annie Sanchez, Los Ranchos  
Tarah Jaramillo, MRGCD  
Julian Avalos, MRGCD  
Joe Holvey  
Estella Gamboa, MRGCD  
Joshua Temple  
Antoinette Ramos, MRGCD  
Anjali Bean, WRA

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Anne Marken led the Pledge of Allegiance at today's meeting.

Chair Kelly declared a quorum, and the meeting was publicly noticed. This meeting was a hybrid meeting with Director Sandoval attending online and directors Duggins and Jiron were not present.

**AGENDA ITEM NO.2 - APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Chair Kelly added Item 11(c), Notice of successful Water Trust Board Project.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING AGENDA**.  
Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes.  
The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly

Yes

Vice Chair Baugh

Yes

Director Sandoval

Yes

Director Russo Baca

Yes

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 - CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification – June 9, 2025
- b. Consideration/Approval of May 2025 Invoice for Wiggins, Williams & Wiggins

- c. **Consideration/Approval of May 2025 Invoices for Spencer Fane LLP**
- d. **Consideration/Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting – May 12, 2025**
- e. **Consideration/Approval of the Contract for Federal Consultants Services - Third Year**
- f. **Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for May 2025 (For Informational Purposes Only)**

There were no inquiries, so the chair requested a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA**. Seconded by Director Sandoval. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly	Yes	Vice Chair Baugh	Yes
Director Sandoval	Yes	Director Russo Baca	Yes

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 - CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF 2025 MRGCD ELECTION FORMAL DOCUMENTS - Tim Smith, Election Director and Election Committee and Report of the Election Committee Meeting, June 9, 2025 (Chair Kelly and Directors Russo Baca and Jiron)**

**a. Discussion/Approval of Compensation Rates for Poll Workers**

Chair Kelly discussed that they have a request and list of compensation rates for the October 7th election poll workers. PRT Staffing is the staffing company who provides the poll workers. The 35% markup is passed through the temp service. He added that they also covering all insurance and logistics, and Ms. Fanelli found that rate to be consistent with the market for temporary services.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE POLL WORKER COMPENSATION RATES AS PROPOSED**. Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly	Yes	Vice Chair Baugh	Yes
Director Sandoval	Yes	Director Russo Baca	Yes

**b. Consideration/Approval of 2025 MRGCD Election Supply Catalog**

Chair Kelly explained that this is a complete catalog of election materials, and it has been reviewed multiple times by the election coordinator, legal counsel, and Ms. Philips.

Chair Kelly asked Tim Smith, Election Director for Automated Election Services, to introduce himself, and asked him how they are doing in securing sites.

Mr. Smith responded that they are about halfway through their list of approvals and are making good progress.

Vice Chair Baugh made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2025 MRGCD ELECTION SUPPLY CATALOG**. Seconded by Director Russo Baca. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly  
Director Sandoval

Yes  
Yes

Vice Chair Baugh  
Director Russo Baca

Yes  
Yes

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 - REPORT(S) FROM THE WATER OPERATIONS**

### **a. Report on Water Supply Conditions - Anne Marken, River Operations & Telemetry Manager**

Anne Marken reported on the water supply conditions. She stated there was rain in the forecast the day of the meeting and the next, which she was optimistic about. She pointed out that they have made it to the second week of June without having to release any of their limited San Juan Chama water due to the precipitation the basin has gotten over the past month and a half. However, river flows in the basin are on the decline. She said that flows of the Rio Grande at Lobatos Gage have dropped 250 CFS over the past week, and La Puente is down to 150 CFS. She estimated that they will need to begin releasing San Juan Chama water by the end of next week unless the basin receives meaningful river inflow before then. She expressed that MRGCD has an obligation to incrementally reduce bypass flows to the river below Isleta Dam to help control the rate of drying below the dam, and she expected those reductions by the end of this week or early next week. She noted that MRGCD would like to delay releasing any San Juan Chama water during that operation, so they are not using their limited storage water to do that. Ms. Marken stated that MRGCD will have about 6,500 acre feet of San Juan Chama water available for release, and 2,700 acre feet of that will be their June allocation. She said the once releases begin, MRGCD anticipates that the current San Juan Chama volume will be sufficient to augment farmer deliveries for 7 to 10 days, depending on how much water needs to be released. Once all San Juan Chama water has been released, they will return to a run of the river system, and without additional rain inflow, there will not be enough to meet farmer's needs. She discussed the seasonal outlook, which shows warm and dry conditions after the next couple days of rain, with equal chances for above or below average precipitation through August.

Mr. Casuga added that 6,500 acre feet seems like a lot of water, but on the scale for the MRGCD, in a given hydrologic year, they divert anywhere between 275,000 and 305,000 acre feet, so 6,500 acre feet to supplement the river will go quickly without rain.

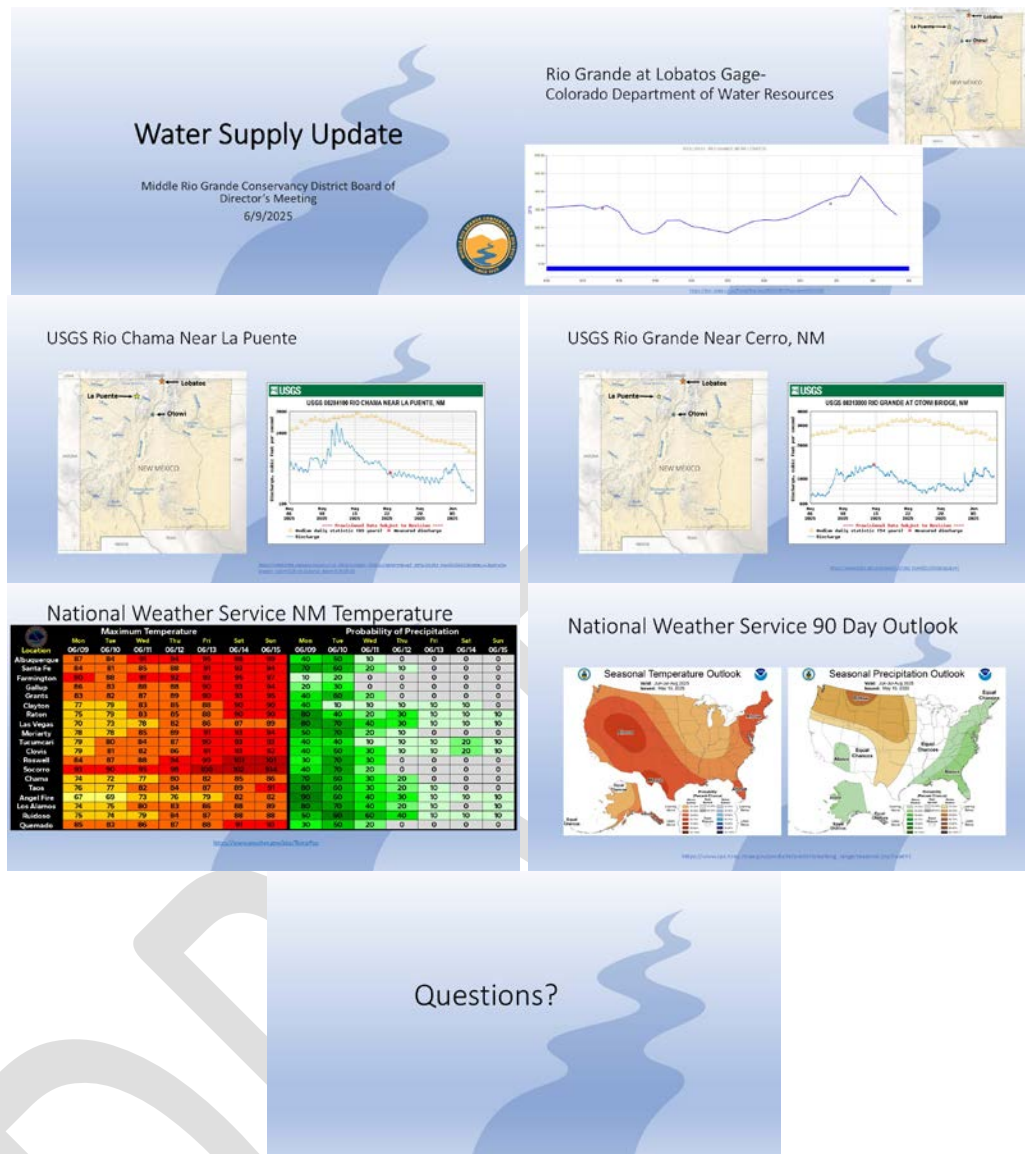
Chair Kelly stated that considering our maximum allocation is 20,900 acre feet, and 2,300 of that being left over from last year, they barely got about a quarter their allocation due to the drought situation on the San Juan.

Ms. Marken noted it is possible that we get another July allocation, but that will depend on what rains bring to that basin.

Vice Chair Baugh asked how much volume can grow from rain falling in the mountains and getting to the river.

Ms. Marken responded that it depends on the conditions in the basin. She explained that when things have been dry for a while and we get some rain events, we do not usually see much of that water show up in the river, but the more saturated the soil, the higher percentage that rain inflow makes it into the river.

Director Russo Baca congratulated Ms. Marken on her title changing to River Operations and Telemetry Manager.



**b. Status Report on Water Distribution - Matt Martinez, Water Distribution Division Manager**

Mr. Martinez gave a report on the status of water distribution. He expressed that since the last Board meeting, their operations have experienced a range of supply conditions, but generally supply has been good. He said the month began with a mix of mountain snow and valley rain that produced steady runoff that carried them through most of May, which allowed them to make deliveries based on the field need rather than rotational scheduling. However, by the end of May, supply was declining, and they transitioned back into short supply conditions and rotations. Between June 2nd and 4th, high intensity thunderstorms temporarily boosted water supply but brought significant disruptions like arroyo inflows entering many canals and causing debris accumulations, sediment plugs, erosions and washouts. He shared that operations were disrupted in several areas, most notably along the Belen Highline Canal, Cochiti Main Canal, and San Juan Main Canal, where storm damage and urgent infrastructure repairs required temporary suspension of deliveries. He thanked Ms. Molina for communicating those issues through public notices and the ISO team and division crews for preparing and

responding to last week's storms. He voiced that they have restored operations in some areas, but another round of storms is forecasted for today and Tuesday, so they are approaching that with caution. Mr. Martinez explained that high intensity storms pose a serious risk and require making proactive operational changes, which can interfere with irrigation deliveries. He said irrigation demand in May was moderate as farmers began first harvest, and cutting started mid-May in the Socorro Division, but demand in urban areas have remained unsteady. They expect demand to increase in the coming days and weeks as soil dries out and farmers plant summer crops. He was cautiously optimistic about where they are in the season, as they can still turn to San Juan Chama storage to temporarily supplement the system when needed. However, careful timing will be essential to maximize its impact, and they will continue to need timely support from Mother Nature through the remainder of the summer and into fall. He noted that they are hopeful this incoming rain will help carry them through the upcoming high demand period, but they must remain cautious in case operations are disrupted again.

Chair Kelly expressed that research on the impacts of climate change and global warming finds that they are going to see a different way our precipitation comes, and instead of snowpack in the winter, it will be rainfall. He asked for Mr. Casuga and Mr. Ish to be thinking about whether they need to revise our storage patterns or look for off-stream storage further down in the system and how that would fit in with the Compact.

Mr. Casuga responded that they are looking into that, and he will provide a report on it at the next board meeting.

#### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 - ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR (Comments are limited to three (3) minutes)**

##### **Margarita Sanchez**

Ms. Sanchez stated that she is hoping the MRGCD will give better equity for small parcels. She said that for the last 20 years, she has been paying quarter acre parcels at a prorated amount of one acre, and now they have lifted it to one acre amount and still do not give an equity to the small parcels in order to get the least amount. She expressed that the system has become very bureaucratic, and the quarter acre parcels need to be prorated back like they were from a 1 acre amount to one-quarter of an acre amount, as they have places that they have managed to keep in their hands through generations that are very culturally important to them. She felt that small farmers go broke, but all the big farmers get breaks from the Conservancy. She said roads are put in and then they do not have access to their ditches, so she asked them to consider trucking water to their small parcels. She added that with all of the raids going on, probably 40% of their agricultural workforces are being traumatized and sent away. Ms. Sanchez voiced that she has had an acre for 20 years that she has paid, and the Conservancy was very negligent in taking out her turnout and have maps that show unpaid, but they did not talk to her or consult her.

##### **Rudy Gonzales**

Mr. Gonzales commented on the price increase for the carriage fee for La Joya that they were recently made aware of. He noted that he is not speaking on behalf of the acequia's board. He said the increase is from \$8, which was agreed upon previously, to \$16. He stated that even though \$8 per acre is not a huge increase, every penny and dollar counts, and he believes it is unfair. He expressed that it is a 100% increase for them and that does not seem equitable, when it is only a 16% increase for the others who pay MRGCD. He added that they are still in a negotiation phase of joining MRGCD, and one of the agreements they had was that fees would not be raised as long as they were in communication.



Chair Kelly voiced that they will be going into discussion on this topic later in the meeting.

**Annie Sanchez**

Ms. Sanchez gave credence to Margarita Sanchez regarding her comments.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 - REPORT(S) FROM THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT - Christine L. Nardi, MBA**

**a. Introduction of MRGCD New Hires**

Ms. Nardi introduced new hires and promotions, which included a new division clerk in the Albuquerque Division, a promotion to Engineer II, a promotion to Director of Lands and Conservation in the General Office, a new ISO for the Belen Service Area, a GIS and Right-of-Way Manager, and a new Bosque Management Coordinator.

**Albuquerque Division**

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**General Office**

ANTOINETTE	RAMOS	ENGINEER II	05/26/2025 PROMOTION
CASEY	ISH	DIRECTOR OF LANDS AND CONSERVATION	05/26/2025 PROMOTION
ROBERT	LEOPOLD	IRRIGATION SYSTEMS OPERATOR	06/09/2025
TIMOTHY	PITTS	GIS AND RIGHT-OF-WAY MANAGER	06/23/2025
JOANNA	STRANGE	BOSQUE MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR	07/07/2025

**b. Recognition of Employee**

Chair Kelly gave recognition to Antoinette Ramos, Engineer II, for passing her Professional Engineers exam and becoming professionally licensed in the State of New Mexico to practice as a civil engineer.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 - REPORT(S) FROM THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER - Richard DeLoia**

**a. Consideration/Approval of the Low Flow Conveyance Channel Maintenance Phase II**

Mr. DeLoia requested approval for CF Padilla to complete the Low Flow Conveyance Channel Maintenance, Phase II, for a total amount of \$6,209,717.50, with tax, which is funded through the Office of State Engineer Grant. The award was recommended by Wilson & Company and bids were obtained through the request for bid process.

Chair Kelly asked Mr. Padilla if Phase I went well and if they are ready for Phase II.

Mr. Padilla responded yes and hoped that MRGCD was happy with their work.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE CF PADILLA TO COMPLETE THE LOW FLOW CONVEYANCE CHANNEL MAINTENANCE PHASE II FOR \$6,209,717.50 PLUS TAX.** Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chair Kelly

Yes

Vice Chair Baugh

Yes

Director Sandoval

Yes

Director Russo Baca

Yes

**b. Consideration/Approval of the El Vado Reservoir Camera System**

Mr. DeLoia presented approval for the El Vado Reservoir Camera System Project. He said MRGCD recommended the award to Johnson Control Security Solutions for \$81,817.21 for all cameras, equipment, and installation, and \$11,957.28 per year for the maintenance and service plan through CES Cooperative Contract.

Chair Kelly inquired if BOR was going to offset any of these costs since it is their facility we are installing the cameras for.

Mr. Casuga stated that MRGCD pays 100% O&M for El Vado, and this contract is quite a bit cheaper than it would be to do it through the federal government, so we are actually saving money by doing it ourselves.

Vice Chair Baugh asked what the purpose was for the cameras.

Mr. Casuga responded that they are security cameras, and El Vado is considered a high hazard dam and MRGCD, BOR, and law enforcement want to know if there are people in these areas. He said there is also a power plant downstream that is operated, and this is an opportunity to upgrade and install that system and do it a little bit cheaper and quicker than it would be through the federal government.

Director Russo Baca asked who would have access to these cameras.

Mr. Casuga answered that BOR, and their staff would be the ones responsible for that. He explained that Reclamation approached us with the request to contract it out ourselves because we could do it cheaper, and we agreed. He said that MRGCD would be able to have access if needed, but they do not provide security for the dam, and this is a charge we would get back at the federal rate.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE EL VADO RESERVOIR CAMERA SYSTEM THROUGH JOHNSON CONTROL SECURITY SOLUTIONS.** Seconded by Director Sandoval. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chair Kelly  
Director Sandoval

Yes  
Yes

Vice Chair Baugh  
Director Russo Baca

Yes  
Yes

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 - REPORT(S) FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR**

**a. Bureau of Indian Affairs - Patrick Taber, Acting Designated Engineer**

Mr. Taber stated that they have a new regional director, Bryan Bald Eagle, who Mr. Casuga has invited to come and speak to this Board at some point. He reported that the final P&P storage in El Vado and Abiquiu was calculated at 32,668 acre feet, 8,000 acre feet decrease from previous calculations, which is currently being split between storage in El Vado and Abiquiu. He thanked the Conservancy District and Mr. Zamora for how quickly things have been resolved with the recent flooding upstream.

Vice Chair Baugh asked about the P&P coming in 8,000 acre feet less.

Mr. Taber explained that there was a prediction presented by the NRCS, but as predictions got more accurate and later season flow numbers were calculated, the change in median values shrink. He added that the April calculation did not include the snowfall that happened in the beginning of April and that snowpack improved quite a bit.

MRGCD BOARD MEETING (6-4-2025)

1. Heron Summary

Content: 75,551 ac-ft (6/4/25)  
Azotea tunnel: 490 cfs  
Total SJ-C inflow in 2025: 27,192 ac-ft  
Currently releasing: 0 cfs  
Current MRGCD storage: 2,079 ac-ft

2. El Vado Summary

Total storage (all contractors and natural): 25,283 ac-ft (6/4/25)  
Native in El Vado: 19,403 ac-ft  
MRGCD + SJ-C storage in El Vado: 0 ac-ft  
P & P: 19,219 ac-ft  
Other SJ-C contractors: 5,880 ac-ft  
Current release is 270 cfs RG inflow is 250-300 cfs

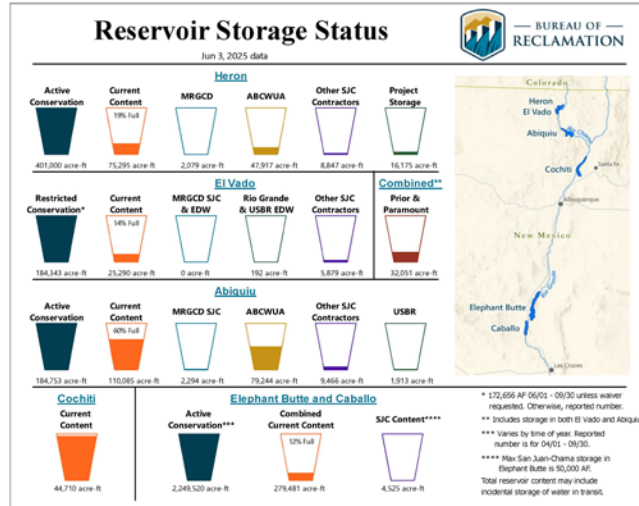
3. Storage in Abiquiu

Content: 110,272 ac-ft (6/4/25)  
MRGCD + SJ-C storage: 2,294 ac-ft  
P&P: 12,831 ac-ft

Total supplemental water released in 2025: 1,587 ac-ft

Total Precipitation WY-to-Date at San Juan Sites as of 6/4/2025 (% of median)  
Rio Chama Basin: 74%  
Upper Rio Grande Basin: 79%  
Sangre de Cristo Basin: 92%  
Jemez Basin: 73%  
San Juan River Basin: 76%

- After drying began on April 16, the Rio Grande reconnected from Cochiti Dam to Elephant Butte Reservoir on May 16 and remained connected until May 27. There were about 30 miles dry in the San Acacia reach on June 1. Flows from this week's storms reduced it to about 20 miles on June 4 and the river was continuing to rewet.
- Stage 3 of the El Vado "first fill" was successful. The reservoir may now be operated normally up to a maximum elevation of 6,820 ft (25,185 ac-ft or 13% of full).
- A June allocation of 12,500 ac-ft will bring the 2025 San Juan - Chama total allocation to 22,000 ac-ft.
- Releases from Caballo Dam for irrigation within the Rio Grande Project lands began on May 30.



Ms. Faler was not present for the meeting, but the BOR provided the buckets and notes.

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 10 - REPORT(S) FROM THE DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES - Eric Zamora, PE**

### **a. Report from the Socorro Division Manager, Julian Avalos**

Mr. Avalos discussed some of the projects they worked on, including doing 15 turnouts this winter when they normally only do five or six. They did a project for Director Duggins and the Rosales Farm by installing concrete paneling with the turnouts. He noted that they have received four calls from farmers that were satisfied with the time of deliveries and the impact they have made helping them on their farms. He stated that they took advantage of the low flows in the canal at the end of last season and dredged every canal going into the Lemitar area. He added that they used that material to build up banks, fix erosion, and do a lot of other busy work. They have been hauling off spoils and their mowers finished early last season mowing the canals. He discussed the three fires down in Socorro were all Type 4. One fire was a farmer lit field on the Main Canal that burned their right of way a little bit, one at Otero that they stopped pretty quickly, and then one across the river, on the east side, that the State Forestry called them out to. Mr. Avalos announced that they have partnered up with the City of Socorro on a tree removal project. He added that their youth summer program started today, and they will start another program on June 26th called Touch a Truck, where they will take their newest machine, the Mower Max. He thanked MRGCD's General Office and Mr. Zamora for being helpful and encouraging.

Vice Chair Baugh asked what the youth project was that they did.

Mr. Avalos responded that the City of Socorro has a program where they hire students and distribute them out to different agencies and the city pays them to work 20 hours a week. He added that it is roughly seven weeks long. He said that last year they painted

railing around gate structures, and this year they will be shown all the work they do and encourage them to go on and do better things.

Chair Kelly asked if the reinforced concrete pipe they used for the turnouts were existing in the ground or if they are installing it.

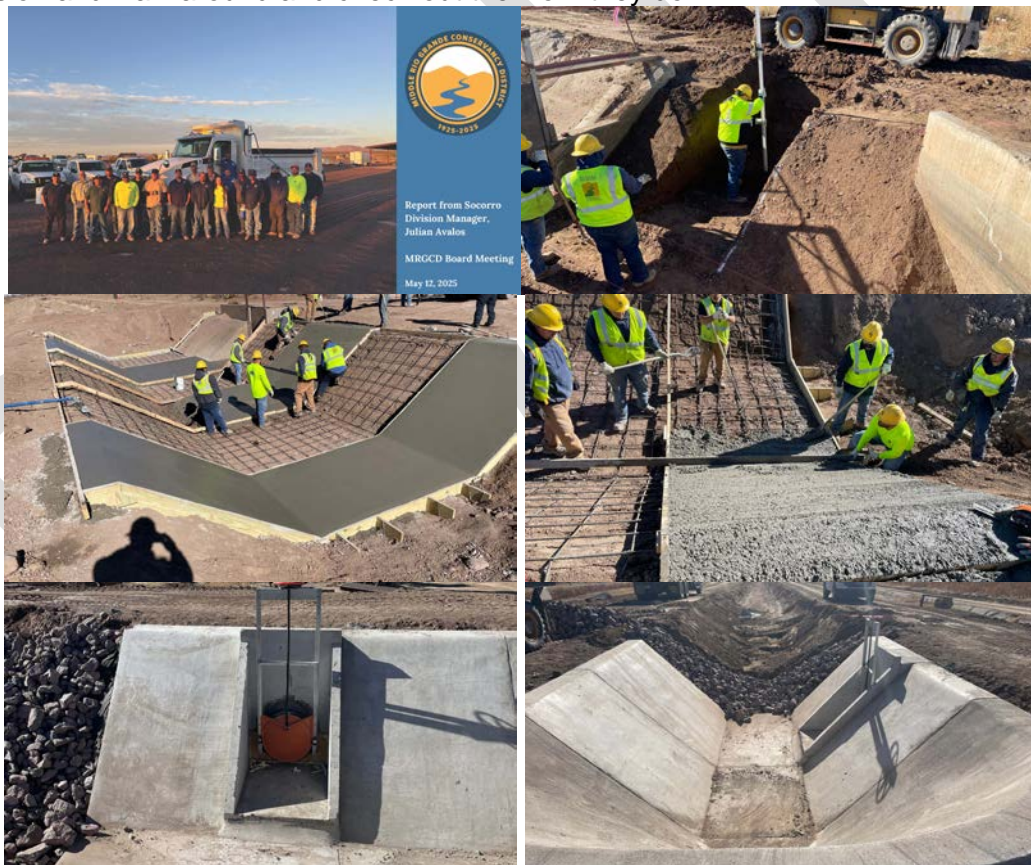
Mr. Avalos answered that it was existing. He stated that Director Duggins had told them before that the wrong size pipe was put in at the Main and when they opened it up they saw that he was right.

Chair Kelly voiced that he felt they should be putting in RCP any chance they have. He asked what the biggest need is for Socorro County that the Board can help with.

Mr. Avalos responded that they could use another dump truck.

Director Russo Baca asked if they were getting excited about the machine rodeo.

Mr. Avalos answered that they are and met today about it. He said the crew is excited to compete and it is good team building. He encouraged the Board to come to Socorro Division and walk around and check out the work they do.





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**b. Updates on the Bosque Fire and Fire Response in Valencia and Socorro Counties**

Mr. Zamora discussed the Bosque Farms Fire and recognized staff that helped with that. He explained that before 4 p.m., on April 17th, they were notified of the fire and our staff responded shortly after 4 p.m. and were on site until 10:30 p.m. He displayed images of some of the fire damage and of their staff working during the fire. He gave a shoutout to the guys that responded and recognized their efforts, support, and responsiveness. He said they had supervisors on site, our division manager, command supervisor, and construction supervisor crews throughout the evening, with support from Albuquerque crew as well, who were providing support to the Bosque Farms Fire Department to keep the fire from creeping. He noted that Mr. Jaramillo has been recently upgraded to Equipment Supervisor in Albuquerque and Mr. Jarner was also on site that evening. He also gave a shoutout to Mr. Cole Benjamin for working a dozer that was directed by State Forestry officials to guide him where to cut fire line. Mr. Zamora voiced that as a result of last week's rainstorms and a lot of discussion at Thursday's Coalition Meeting, there was a lot of concern raised about storm damage that occurred last week to the Cochiti Main Canal and concerns about our responsiveness and if we would be able to get water to the downstream users on the east side of the Rio Grande. He explained that they did have to cut some irrigation events in Santa Ana Pueblo and San Felipe Pueblo because of the damage to the Main. He said the break was 75-80 feet wide with water flowing, and fortunately there was no damage to fields or property. He thanked Albuquerque for their responsiveness in helping out Cochiti last Friday by sending two dump trucks and a dozer to assist with repairs. He noted that there was concern that it would take them possibly through the weekend, but most of the repairs were done by 3 p.m. on Friday.

Chair Kelly asked if that was the result of a downstream sediment plug from an upland arroyo or a low spot that breached.

Mr. Zamora responded that it was an area that intercepted an upstream arroyo perpendicular to the canal and the volume of water blew over the top of the east and west bank and eventually broke the west bank. He stated that a similar situation occurred a little bit south of that location, but the bank did not break. He added that the same storm system brought impacts to the Highline Canal as well, with a lot of sheet flow with the runoff and a greater length of damage, but not a lot of specific arroyos running in and causing major erosion, which he believed was a testament to establishing a good grade and compaction.

Chair Kelly inquired if any of that water passed the east side of the right of way.

Mr. Zamora answered that it did not, as the water operations people were on top of it and shut down the canal in advance.

Vice Chair Baugh expressed that it was awesome to see them responding to an emergency in the community outside of water, but also in our Bosque. He asked if they did that because they wanted to do the right thing or if that is a protocol of the District.

Mr. Zamora responded that for the most part, the District has always been responsive, but their coordination efforts are a little better now in terms of responsiveness. He added that there are go to people in each division that are called when there is a situation like this, and they have always existed.

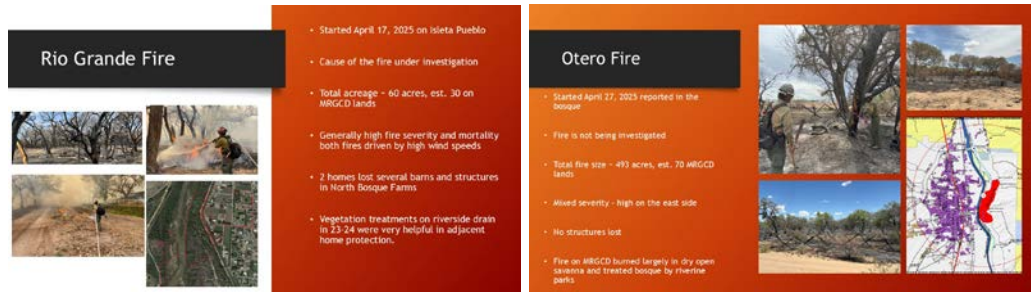
Vice Chair Baugh suggested that Mr. Casuga look into creating a protocol for addressing issues that would identify individuals to rise to the occasion and on how the District could respond better with joint collaboration.

Mr. Casuga explained that they do have those and that is why their guys respond. He said the people that are allowed out there have been trained to do so, and that is why the Forest Service already knows who they can call and knows MRGCD can deploy staff. He added there are also emergency response plans in place regarding flooding, especially through Bernalillo County, that we are a part of, and they are being developed more in Valencia County. He stated that since he has been here, MRGCD has always responded to things like this. He voiced that a lot of these lands are ours to manage, and we have a lot of other partners that come out to assist, but communication has definitely gotten better, and we have gotten better at it.

Vice Chair Baugh expressed that it speaks largely to where the District is trending and how thorough we are in responding to things that are outside of just water delivery. He also appreciated the quick turnaround in getting the water back running in Cochiti.

Mr. Zamora mentioned that Mr. Padilla is a Bosque Farms volunteer firefighter, and he received the call at 3:30 in the afternoon, responded, and was there all night with the fire. He also kept us informed on what equipment was needed and where they need to go. He noted that in regard to the emergency response to the Bosque fires, there is a system called Red Card System within State Forestry, where red cards are given to people that are trained and authorized to be in those locations.





## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 11 - REPORT(S) FROM THE SECRETARY-TREASURER/CFO - Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM**

### **a. Consideration/Approval of Resolution #BA-06-09-25-104 Adoption of Amended Budget for FY2025 (07-01-24 to 06-30-25) Grants Fund**

The chair explained that this is a clean-up item to reflect a few things that happened over the course of the year that had no impact on board policy or projects planned. He then requested a motion to approve the resolution for the amended budget.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #BA-06-09-25-104 FOR THE AMENDED BUDGET**. Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly  
Director Sandoval

Yes  
Yes

Vice Chair Baugh  
Director Russo Baca

Yes  
Yes

### **b. Discussion of the Adoption of Special Water Service Charge for La Joya Acequia for the 2026 Irrigation Season**

Chair Kelly stated that they raised the normal water service charge this year from \$51.25 to \$59.25. He asked Mr. Casuga to give some background on that and discuss the comments made about the potential increase for the La Joya Acequia.

Mr. Casuga explained that there is a proposed resolution for increasing the water service charge for La Joya Acequia for the 2026 Irrigation Season that they wanted to discuss at today's meeting with the Board. He went over the history between MRGCD and La Joya Acequia in regard to the water service charge. In the agreement that MRGCD and La Joya Acequia signed in 1977, they entered into a new supply agreement that was meant to be a water charge to be renegotiated on a year by year basis, with a methodology to be conducive to the rates of the day. In 2017, MRGCD passed a resolution reaffirming that 1977 agreement that included a requirement for the annual renegotiation. He expressed that at that time, the La Joya Acequia Association was only paying \$6 per acre to irrigate, but in 2022 that was updated to \$8 per acre. He voiced that on August 12, 2024, MRGCD and La Joya entered into an MOU defining the areas of cooperation for consideration of La Joya Acequia rejoining MRGCD, which would determine cost and benefits La Joya would have, and then that would be provided to both MRGCD's Board and La Joya Acequia Association's Board, and they are still working on that. He explained that the MOU in 2024 said that La Joya would continue to receive water according to the contract, but did not say the water service charge would be set at \$8 and never go up. He noted that if La Joya Acequia Association did decide to join the District, they would immediately pay \$59.25 for water service and pay the property tax. As it stands right now, they will pay \$16 per acre while the rest of the



benefited area pays \$59.25 per acre, so the intention of the agreement is still honored, but the original contract said a rate was to be established that is on parity with what water users of the District pay. Mr. Casuga expressed that whether La Joya joins the District or not, the contract does state that it should be parity and that it is worth a reasonable question of whether their rates should also go up.

Chair Kelly said he reviewed the recitals and directives, and it is a question of the Board whether they should bear the same burden as everyone else having to go up \$8. He gave Mr. Roberts and Mr. Gonzales a chance to speak their opinions on the topic.

Mr. Roberts expressed that the La Joya Acequia contract was never intended to force users to pay for improvements to the El Vado Dam or any unrelated projects, and the rate was a carriage fee for delivery of water, not a blank check to fund the District's projects. He said that if MRGCD wants to amortize them the way everybody else is, then they should be a part of everyone else just the same, but they have not been since 1935, so they should not imply that we should be automatically charged just because of their requirement to get water when it is an inherent right. He added that the resolution passed in 2022 at \$8 an acre. He mentioned that he came to this Board a year ago to talk to them about global cooling and no one is taking it seriously, but the sun is going to start hibernating and they are going to see more potential disasters regarding flooding and having snow in June. He said with that in mind, they are going to have to increase the fee to allot half of it for repairs in the acequia from flooding that will also affect the improvement to the El Vado Dam and farmers, because if there is no money to help with those things, they are going to have a serious problem.

Chair Kelly responded that they would ponder the comments raised and when they bring this up for approval he expects Mr. Casuga to provide a report on the comments raised. Mr. Casuga agreed to do that.

Director Russo Baca believed that during initial discussions with the majordomo and commissioners there was an understanding that there would be a yearly increase, and she wondered if they have continued those conversations and if they are sharing that with the parciantes.

Mr. Casuga responded that he does not speak to the parciantes of the La Joya Acequia Association, as they are not part of the benefited area, but he did communicate it to their board. He also had a conversation with Bernadette Sinclair prior to this resolution going out that it would be on this agenda, and they modified the recommendation so that if the Board chooses to do this it will be done early enough for the 2026 water season, as the La Joya Acequia sends out their assessment in November.

Vice Chair Baugh inquired if their bill due in June was based at \$8 per acre. Mr. Casuga answered yes.

Director Russo Baca clarified they are not charging for water, but for the delivery of water from MRGCD because La Joya does not have their own diversion.

Mr. Casuga added that it states that the 1977 agreement did not alter the obligations to pay for construction and pro rata interest charges related to El Vado, so there is an ongoing cost. He added the question is since we pay 100% O&M for El Vado and there is a cost of delivering water, should La Joya's cost also go up like the other water users.

Vice Chair expressed that the way Mr. Casuga is laying it out sounds like a sweetheart of a deal in comparison to other users.

Mr. Casuga explained that there are other costs that the La Joya Acequia Association bears and their parciantes also pay a fee to the La Joya Acequia Association to cover maintenance of those facilities just like MRGCD people do. He commented that we are charging constituents \$59.25, plus a mill levy and property tax, and they are proposing to charge La Joya \$16 an acre just for water delivery, but he understands that is still a big jump for the La Joya. However, if they become a part of MRGCD, they will immediately pay a water service charge and property tax with the rest of the valley, so the increase in cost would come one way or another.

Vice Chair asked if there was a way they could have a payment plan similar to others.

Mr. Casuga explained that the current contract requires payment due at the beginning of June for the year and there has been no request for a payment plan. He also did not believe he has the authority to do that and enter into that agreement since it is tied to this, so he would probably have to bring that back to the Board.

Ms. Fanelli said the cost of 100% of El Vado alone is about \$12 per acre.

Mr. Roberts voiced that they have increased the fees for maintenance, and it has gone up 80%, and he has suggested that they put a moratorium for at least a year so they do not boot out people that do not have the means to pay. He tried to work a deal with a big landowner that they would each put in \$2,000 to help their fellow parciantes that cannot pay, but he never came to the Board. He voiced that Ms. Sinclair is not doing what she is supposed to do as someone who is running the Acequia Board and there are a lot of conflicts of interest. He expressed that they are trying to vote out the people who are running it now to get people that are more community minded.

Mr. Gonzales explained that they pay their Acequia Association dues, which is about \$46 to use the infrastructure, and an \$8 increase would bring then to \$54. MRGCD water users are paying \$59, after recently increasing by \$8. He asked MRGCD to consider a percentage smaller than that.

Mr. Casuga expressed that he thinks it gets lost in translation that what MRGCD collects to be able to do O&M is made up of two pieces, the water service charge and the ad valorem property assessment, so no matter what they are paying per acre, they are not paying the tax on the same acre at that rate. He said if they were to make this an apple to apples comparison, the CFO can say if they take what is paid in property taxes and divide by the number of acres and add that to the water service charge that would be a more comparable rate, but just comparing the water service charge is not apples to apples in comparison. He recognized that an \$8 an acre is a jump regardless if someone is in the benefited area or not and they do not do that lightly, but they are just analyzing what it costs to deliver the services of the District, which they do every year. He noted that they were not thinking of a percentage when thinking about the Middle Valley, but what they needed to do to balance the books based on some of the new charges they had coming in and that is how they come up with the \$8. They felt that water user to water user, it seemed inequitable to do \$8 to one water user and not the other.

Vice Chair Baugh emphasized that it would be good to go back and talk to the community about the truth of the matter and the agreement that Mr. Casuga went more in depth on to know what each individual in the benefit area has.

Chair Kelly noted that our arrangement with La Joya is unique, and the subject matter deserves that kind of discussion among the Board and those impacted.

**c. Notice of Successful Water Trust Board Project**

Ms. Fanelli explained that MRGCD was notified on Friday they were awarded the Water Trust Board Grant/Loan for the Feeder 3 Pump Station in the amount of \$5.4 million of grant award and \$600,000 for the loan portion. She said this will be a 20-year loan with 0% interest and an admin fee of .25%. The District has already incurred expenses of \$453,000 for design and encumbrance of \$160,000 that will be part of the \$1.2 million. The Water Trust Board Grant will be added to the Water Smart Grant that was awarded by BOR in April for \$2.5 million with a 50% match requirement, and the total cost of the project is expected to be \$9.7 million.

Chair Kelly asked how far along we are on the design. Mr. Zamora answered 60%.

Chair Kelly inquired that if they sell bonds and money is available, could we award that this fall and get all the work done over the winter and start pushing force main up the right of way.

Mr. Zamora responded that the idea is to break it into two phases, as they have some right of way issues they need to deal with that could push them into next year, but they plan to run force main up the Feeder 3 as phase I and will come back with the pumpstation after the right of way issues are resolved.

Chair Kelly asked if those issues require condemnation. Mr. Zamora stated potentially.

Mr. Casuga added that they are prepared.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 12 - REPORT(S) FROM THE CHIEF ENGINEER/CEO**– Jason M. Casuga,  
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**a. Consideration/Approval of the FY2026 MOA between the Center for Social Sustainable Systems (CESOSS) and the MRGCD - Casey Ish, Director of Lands and Conservation**

Mr. Ish discussed the Memorandum of Agreement between MRGCD and CESOSS, which is a partnership that has grown over several years, and CESOSS has become a really valuable community partner for us in things like the development of the Valle Vista Outdoor Acequia classroom and helping coordinate resources. He explained the motion before the Board is to consider and approve a renewal of the MOA with CESOSS. He then invited Jorge Garcia, Executive Director of CESOSS, to make a few comments.

Mr. Garcia thanked MRGCD for their support and collaboration. He explained that the collaboration between them extends to the five different acequias in the South Valley and benefitted area and helps spread the understanding and history of the acequias. He noted that CESOSS was established initially to spread and educate their own community about their rights and what that entails for the larger region in the Albuquerque area to protect and preserve water. He said they hope to continue establishing and having clear acequia

education into the communities so parciantes can make the best of the MRGCD and MRGCD can make the best of the parciantes. He stated part of what they are trying to convey is that the misconceptions were born out of the relationship between the acequia communities and MRGCD that was totally misunderstood in terms of the role MRGCD plays in preserving water rights and ensuring that water continues to go on and ditches are appropriately taken care of, so they will continue informing, organizing, and opening the spaces for the education that needs to take place. He expressed that today more than ever the understanding of the relationship between MRGCD and those who have water rights needs to be strengthened entirely, as this is the only water that can be protected.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE FY2026 MOA BETWEEN CESOSS AND THE MRGCD**. Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly  
Director Sandoval

Yes  
Yes

Vice Chair Baugh  
Director Russo Baca

Yes  
Yes

**b. Consideration and Approval of the Rio Grande Valley State Park Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the City of Albuquerque - Casey Ish, Director of Lands and Conservation**

Mr. Ish introduced Colleen McRoberts, the Superintendent of Open Space for the City of Albuquerque and stated that she was there to answer any questions about the JPA.

Ms. McRoberts voiced that she really appreciated their partnership and being able to serve the greater Albuquerque-Bernalillo County public through their joint management and through this designation of the State Park Act.

Chair Kelly gave some background on the JPA. He explained that he and former Director Barbara Baca felt that they were working under a JPA that was written for the time in 1983 when the demand was to protect before they lost it, but they have had a complete change in demand on the Bosque, and that is what drove them to ask for this change. He stated they had previously revised one, but felt it needed to be more aspirational and direct about managing new uses and looking 30 years down the road. He expressed they are losing their cottonwood forest, and they will never restore it without doing major earthmoving in the Bosque to reconnect it to the floodplain. He said getting this new JPA approved is a major goal. He explained that they pledged to work with City Open Space in regard to E-bikes, and he values their relationship with City Open Space, but we are the people managing the Bosque and everybody in town wants to tell us how to do it. He stated this is the most important issue for our non-irrigating ratepayers in Bernalillo County and they need to take good care of it, even if that means having to throw E-bikes out. He voiced that this is a wonderfully revised agreement, and he felt they addressed the aspirations that he and former Director Barbara Baca wanted to see in there.

Ms. Roberts added that City Council recently passed the budget for the General Fund, which gave them more money, specifically to manage the Bosque.

Director Russo Baca asked McRoberts to give input on their meeting with Valencia County about Willie Chavez Park. Ms. Roberts expressed that she would have to become more knowledgeable about that.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY STATE PARK JPA WITH THE CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE**. Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly	Yes	Vice Chair Baugh	Yes
Director Sandoval	Yes	Director Russo Baca	Yes

**c. Report on the Six Middle Rio Grande Pueblo Coalition Meeting, May 15 and June 5, 2025 - Casey Ish, Director of Lands and Conservation and Director Russo Baca**

Mr. Ish voiced that MRGCD did not contribute much to the meeting last month. He said he provided a brief water supply update and there were no follow up questions.

**d. Information on Upcoming Events**

1. Socorro County Informational Meeting, July 9, 2025, 9 a.m. - noon, Socorro Convention Center, 1220 Hwy 60 West Socorro, NM
2. Valencia County Informational Meeting, July 17, 2025, 9 a.m. - noon, Tome Dominguez Hall, 2933 Hwy 47, Tome, NM
3. Sandoval County Informational Meeting, July 24, 2025, 9 a.m. - noon, Black Mesa Casino Auditorium, 25 Hagen Rd, Algodones, NM
4. Bernalillo County Informational Meeting, July 31, 2025, 9 a.m. - noon, South Valley Multipurpose Senior Center, 2008 Larrazolo Rd SW, Albuquerque, NM
5. Family Farm Alliance Annual Conference, October 30-31, 2025, Reno, NV (August 30 deadline)

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 13 - REPORT(S) FROM THE MRGCD ATTORNEY(S) - Chief Water Counsel or General Counsel**

Mr. Wechsler reserved their comments for the closed session.

Ms. Wiggins noted she will provide an update on Julie Patterson v. City of Albuquerque and Aragon v. MRGCD in Executive Session.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 14 REPORT(S) FROM THE BOARD**

**a. Report on Feeder No. 3 Site Visit with Jerry Montano, May 13, 2025 - Directors Russo Baca and Jiron**

Reference the appendix for the director's written reports.

**b. Report on the ISC Commission Meeting, May 15, 2025 - Director Russo Baca**

Director Russo Baca voiced that it is important to continue going to these ISC meetings, as there tends to be a lot of things about the state engineer and the State Engineer's Office, and ISC reports on all of the things going on throughout the District and throughout the state.

**c. Report on the Centennial Committee Meeting, May 22, 2025 - Vice Chairman Baugh and Director Russo Baca**

Reference the appendix for the director's written reports.

**d. Report on the Valle Vista Acequia Celebration, May 23, 2025 - Vice Chairman Baugh.**

Vice Chair Baugh expressed that the celebration was incredible, inspiring, and they all walked away feeling like we are actually doing something that will make a difference. He stated that even though they hit a small hiccup with some capital outlay, they are still plugging and chugging.

**e. Report on the Rio Grande Boulevard Neighborhood Association Meeting, May 29, 2025 - Vice Chairman Baugh**

Vice Chair Baugh said this meeting was awesome and there was a lot of conversation around how the District can better prompt communities when trees have been identified to be cut down. He suggested bringing that before the Urban Issues Committee to talk about how to better do that.

Chair Kelly asked Ms. Wiggins if she had any insights on this, as she had one-on-one conversations with impacted neighbors.

Ms. Wiggins expressed that she had the opportunity to have dinner with many of the members of the Dietz Farm neighborhood and they all expressed concerns with the fact that the arborist who rendered the opinion also worked for the entity that did the tree removal. She voiced that they do rely on the expertise of outside vendors, and it is not unusual that the person who provides us with an opinion is also involved in the implementation of the decision. However, it is always heartbreaking for the people in New Mexico to see a tree being cut down.

Mr. Casuga added that there was a time when no arborist was called at all and the District did it unilaterally, which caused problems to where he was asked to hire a professional with certification. He said if an arborist says a tree is dangerous, he believes it is dangerous, because if they said something wasn't dangerous that ended up being dangerous, they would be accountable for that. He noted that it would be a struggle to find an arborist doing work not tied to vegetation management of some kind, and he had no reason to believe this arborist was not acting in their professional capacity to make the best recommendation they could.

Chair Kelly inquired if the recently hired Bosque Ecosystem Manager could do that.

Mr. Casuga voiced that his professional recommendation is to get a third party opinion, and he did not know if the public would trust an internal MRGCD person to make the same assessment on a tree, so it is darned if you do and darned if you don't type of situation. He noted there have been times when an arborist has decided not to cut a tree down and trim it instead. He added that a lot of the tree canopy they enjoy are old and more often than not, they are going to find aged cotton woods that are hollow in the middle, and they are called widow makers for a reason.

Vice Chair Baugh clarified that the people speaking at the meeting were not talking directly about a connection with the arborist and the company that did the work, but more about making a message that can be clearly heard and be brought into the conversation.

Mr. Casuga responded that the Board should be prepared for these conversations around vegetation, as tree management and vegetation management in this valley may become some of the most contentious conversations going forward as the forest continues to age. He expressed that it is hard and emotional, but they need to be prepared that if we want the Bosque that our children's child will enjoy, we are going to have to touch it.

Chair Kelly made the **MOTION TO APPROVE ALL THE REPORTS FROM THE BOARD**. Seconded by Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly	Yes	Vice Chair Baugh	Yes
Director Sandoval	Yes	Director Russo Baca	Yes

Director Sandoval excused himself from the meeting at 5:17pm.

The chair requested a motion to go into the closed session at 5:17 pm.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**. Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly	Yes	Vice Chair Baugh	Yes
Director Russo Baca	Yes		

#### **AGENDA ITEM NO. 15 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

##### **a. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)2**

###### **1. Limited Personnel Matters**

##### **b. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)7**

###### **1. Threatened or Pending Litigation**

No decisions were made, and the chair requested a motion to go back into the regular session at 5:54 pm.

Director Russo Baca made the **MOTION TO GO INTO REGULAR SESSION**. Seconded by Vice Chair Baugh. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED**.

Chair Kelly	Yes	Vice Chair Baugh	Yes
Director Russo Baca	Yes		

With no further comments, questions, or concerns, Chair Kelly adjourned the meeting at 5:54 pm.

Approved to be the correct Minutes of the Board of Directors of June 9, 2025.

#### **ATTESTED:**

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Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM  
Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

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John P. Kelly, Chairman  
MRGCD Board of Directors

## *APPENDIX*

### **Director Russo Baca Board Reports June 2025**

#### **Report on the Feeder 3 Site Visit, May 13, 2025, Feeder 3, Bosque, NM**

This meeting was convened to visit the future location of the pumping station at Feeder 3 and explain to irrigators in the area how the facility will work in the future. This meeting was well attended by irrigators.

#### **Report on the ISC Commission Meeting, May 15, 2025**

RIO GRANDE BASIN KEY UPDATES 2025 Rio Grande Compact Status – New Mexico's cumulative Compact status is 124,000 acre feet and Article VII restrictions continue to be in effect. Usable Water in Project Storage was about 288,000 acre-feet as of April 30. El Vado Reservoir Operations – Reclamation is currently storing about 25,000 acre-feet of San Juan Chama Project (SJCP) and Prior and Paramount (P&P) water. Reclamation's reassessment regarding construction to rehabilitate the dam is ongoing. Abiquiu Reservoir and Dam Operations – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Reclamation are continuing to evaluate the best storage options for P&P water in 2025. Releases from Abiquiu Dam will be monitored during spring runoff.

WORK AREA OVERVIEWS INTERSTATE COMPACTS Article VII restrictions remain in effect and only native water stored for P&P needs may be stored in 2025. There will be no additional native storage in post-1929 reservoirs this year.

WATER OPERATIONS El Vado Operations – Reclamation is continuing to test the safe water storage capacity at El Vado while they study new alternatives to rehabilitate the dam. Currently, about 6,000 acre-feet of San Juan-Chama Project (SJCP) and 19,000 acre-feet of P&P water are being stored in the reservoir, for a total of approximately 25,000 acre-feet of storage in El Vado. The maximum volume that Reclamation plans to store in El Vado is 25,200 acre-feet. Abiquiu Operations – New Mexico is expecting very low water supply conditions in 2025, which will result in an above average storage requirement for P&P purposes. Based on the May forecast, the final P&P storage requirement is approximately 32,000 acre-feet. In addition to the 19,000 acre-feet of P&P water stored in El Vado, Reclamation is storing about 7,000 acre-feet of P&P water in Abiquiu under a temporary emergency permit. Releases from Abiquiu are not expected to exceed 700 cfs during runoff, and due to sedimentation in the Rio Chama, the USACE plans to make incremental releases from the dam to test the channel capacity. Rio Chama Plug Updates – So far, no flooding or saturation issues have been reported in the lower Rio Chama this spring. The NMISC is continuing to collaborate with partners at the USACE, Reclamation, and the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to find solutions and further increase channel capacity. The NMISC is also exploring various programs to provide technical and/or planning assistance, as well as educational opportunities for local communities in the Rio Chama basin. Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) – The MRGCD began charging their conveyance system on February 24, and active irrigation began in mid-March. Current models are predicting the allocation for all SJCP contractors will be between 35 and 40 percent of a full allocation.

River Mile 60 – Reclamation has reduced flows to the west at the bottom of the Low Flow Conveyance Channel and continues to collect and analyze data from these experimental operations evaluating impacts to bird habitat. These reduced flows will continue through October and will discontinue from November through January 2026. Reclamation is reviewing the 2024 data, and the data will be shared with the NMISC when their evaluation is completed.



NMISC continues to express concern related to increased depletions associated with these flows to the west.

Elephant Butte Reservoir and Usable Water – Current models are indicating that storage in Elephant Butte Reservoir could fall below 20,000 acre-feet before the end of August – levels this low haven't been seen since the severe drought of the 1950s. Without a significant monsoon season, Usable Water in Elephant Butte and Caballo Reservoirs is not expected to rise above 70,000 acre-feet by the end of 2025.

ENDANGERED SPECIES Spring Runoff Planning – Drying in the San Acacia Reach began in mid-April and approximately 27 miles of river has dried thus far. The US Fish and Wildlife Service performed rescue of Rio Grande Silvery Minnow within drying areas. Because river recession occurred before fish spawned, typically in May and June, a number of fish were found to be gravid. Some of the rescued fish were provided to the fish conservation facilities to allow them to attempt to spawn the fish. All the facilities had successful spawning events. Egg collections from spring flow modifications at the MRGCD Isleta Diversion Dam occurred in late April with limited success. MRGCD and Reclamation will coordinate on river recession in both the Isleta and San Acacia reaches over the next month with targeted use of supplemental water and other sources to maintain wetted habitats in these reaches. Collaborative Program - Federal funding cuts are expected to affect ESA projects in the Middle Rio Grande. A third-party management contract with the University of New Mexico has been cancelled. Other projects are being delayed, such as fish passage at irrigation diversion dams. Staff and funding reductions at the federal agencies will impact the progress of many Rio Grande projects and NMISC staff are in discussions with federal and nonfederal partners on prioritization of projects.

#### **Report on the Centennial Committee Meeting, May 22, 2025**

The centennial committee discussed the ongoing events to celebrate the centennial and the film screening and potential options for fundraising to a local charity or organization for the film screening. There was also discussion about the MRGCD Centennial Equipment rodeo for staff.

#### **Report on the Coalition of Six Middle Rio Grande Basin Pueblos, June 5, 2025**

MRGCD staff attended this meeting and gave an update on the water situation and O&M for facilities on Pueblo lands. Mr. Bald Eagle, the new temporary deputy regional director for BIA, was present.



## MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors

Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer

From: Casey Ish, Director of Lands and Conservation

Date: July 9, 2025

Re: Consideration/Approval of Executed Licenses for June 2025

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**Summary:** *MRGCD EXECUTED the following licenses for June 2025.*

1. **017-2025 – Special Use License with NM Underground Utilities to extend an existing culvert to the west 50’ as part of the Bernalillo County 2nd Street & Rio Bravo intersection improvements.**
2. **048-2025 – License to install and maintain a fence encroachment within the Corrales Acequia right-of-way to serve tract Las Paredes De Corrales Lot O in the care of current owners and its successors and/or assigns.**
3. **093-2025 – License with Public Service of New Mexico to install and maintain an aerial utility crossing within the Peralta Main Canal right-of-way.**
4. **103-2025 – Special Use License with U.S. Forest Service to conduct surveys of breeding birds in fuels reduction and untreated control sites in Valencia and Socorro Counties.**
5. **106-2025 – License with Public Service Company of New Mexico to install and maintain an aerial utility crossing within the Alameda Interior Drain right-of-way.**
6. **126-2025 – Special Use License with Girls On The Run to conduct The Sunnyside Fun Run within the Gallegos Lateral, Hackman Lateral and Griegos Interior Drain rights-of-way.**
7. **133-2025 – License with Public Service of New Mexico to install and maintain a parallel utility within the Huning Lateral right-of-way.**
8. **141-2025 – License with Enviroworks, LLC. to conduct cleanup of BNSF derailment area within the Abeytas Wasteway and Unit 7 Drain rights-of-way.**



## MEMORANDUM FOR MRGCD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: July 14, 2025  
 TO: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors  
 FROM: Automated Election Services  
 7000 Zenith Ct NE, Rio Rancho, NM 87144  
 SUBJECT: 2025 MRCGD Board Election Polling Locations

Polling locations for the 2025 MRCGD Board election are as follows:

### Early Voting:

- Sandoval County
  1. Cochiti Pueblo – Community Room
  2. Village of Bernalillo Martha Liebert Public Library – 2nd Floor Study Room
- Bernalillo County
  1. Los Ranchos City Hall (awaiting mayoral approval)
    - Potential alternative: Los Ranchos Villa (this site was used in 2023)
  2. MRGCD District Office
  3. Harrison Middle School (unusable while school in session)
    - Alternative 1: Remove this site from EV and ED, don't replace.
    - Alternative 2: Use South Valley Public Library for EV and ED (located in same area as Harrison MS)
- Socorro County
  1. Socorro Electric Cooperative

### Election Day:

- Sandoval County
  1. Cochiti Pueblo – Community Room
  2. Santo Domingo Pueblo – Cafeteria
  3. San Felipe Pueblo – HeadStart Auditorium
  4. Santa Ana Pueblo – Wellness Center
  5. Sandia Pueblo – Cafeteria
  6. Village of Bernalillo Martha Liebert Public Library – 2nd Floor Study Room
  7. Corrales Community Center

- Bernalillo County
  1. Raymond G. Sanchez Community Center
  2. Los Ranchos City Hall (see EV note)
  3. Valley High School – Dance Room
  4. Washington Middle School – Side Gym
  5. MRGCD District Office
  6. South Valley Multipurpose Center – Back Hall
  7. Polk Middle School – Aux Gym
  8. Harrison Middle School – Aux Gym (see EV note)
  9. Isleta Pueblo – Recreation Center
  
- Socorro County
  1. Northern Socorro Senior Center (Veguita) – Main Lobby
  2. Midway Fire Department (Pol Vadera)
  3. Socorro Electric Cooperative

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TIMOTHY SMITH, Election Director  
Automated Election Services

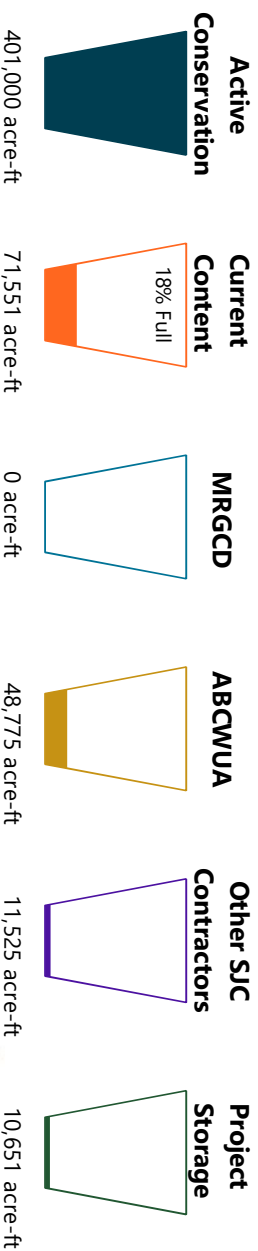
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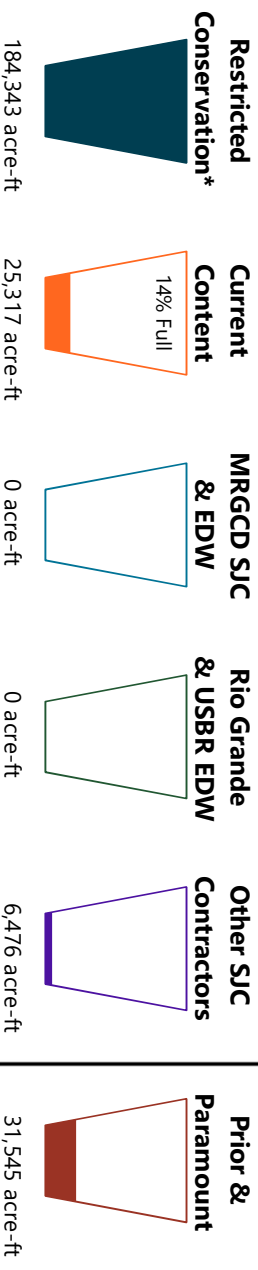


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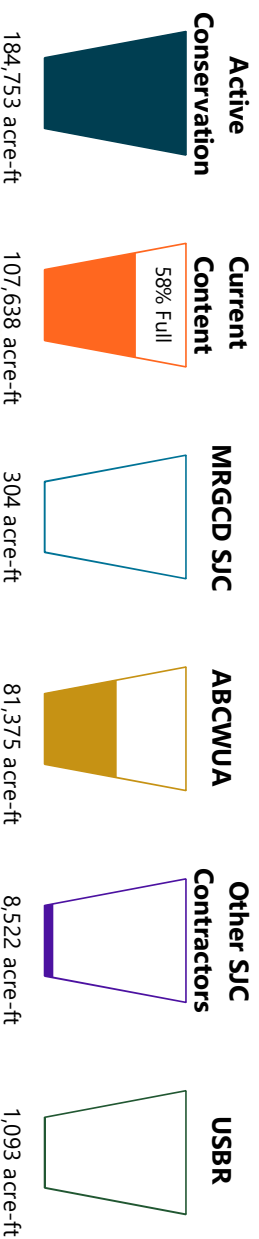
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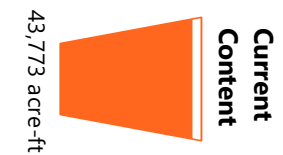
## El Vado



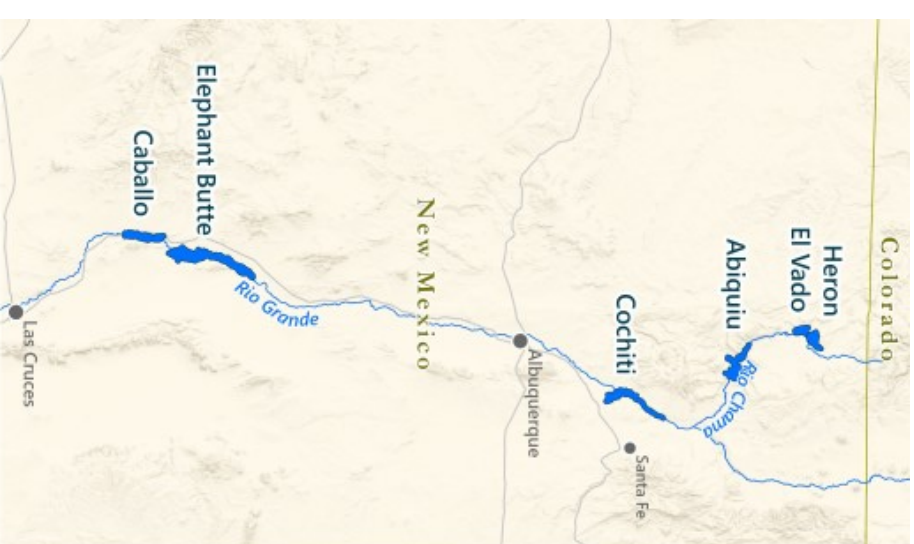
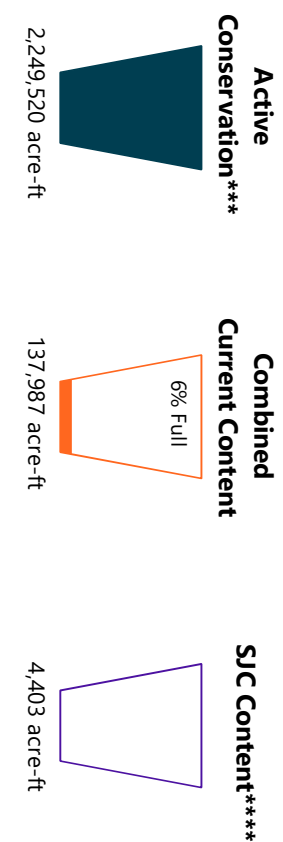
## Abiquiu



## Cochiti



## Elephant Butte and Caballo



\* 172,656 AF 06/01 - 09/30 unless waiver requested. Otherwise, reported number.

\*\* Includes storage in both El Vado and Abiquiu  
\*\*\* Varies by time of year. Reported number is for 04/01 - 09/30.

\*\*\*\* Max San Juan-Chama storage in Elephant Butte is 50,000 AF.  
Total reservoir content may include incidental storage of water in transit.

## **MRGCD BOARD MEETING (7-9-2025)**

### 1. Heron Summary

Content:	71,551	ac-ft	(7/9/2025)
Azotea tunnel:	0	cfs	
Total SJC inflow in 2025:	35,207	ac-ft	
Currently releasing:	0	cfs	
Current MRGCD storage:	0	ac-ft	

### 2. El Vado Summary

Total storage (all contractors and natural):	25,317	ac-ft	(7/9/2025)
Native in El Vado:	18,841	ac-ft	
MRGCD's SJ-C storage in El Vado:	0	ac-ft	
P & P:	18,841	ac-ft	
Other SJ-C contractors:	6,476	ac-ft	
Current release is	100	cfs	RG inflow is 35 - 165 cfs

### 3. Storage in Abiquiu

Content:	107,638	ac-ft	(7/9/2025)
MRGCD's SJ-C storage:	304	ac-ft	
P&P:	12,704	ac-ft	

Total supplemental water released in 2025: 3,214 ac-ft

#### **Total Precipitation WY-to-Date at SnoTel Sites as of 7/9/2025 (% of median)**

Rio Chama Basin.....	75%
Upper Rio Grande Basin.....	76%
Sangre de Cristo Basin.....	91%
Jemez Basin.....	77%
San Juan River Basin.....	74%

· Multiple storm pulses throughout the Middle Rio Grande valley reconnected flows intermittently through June. The seventh drying event for the year began today with approximately 32 river miles dry in the San Acacia reach and 1.2 river miles dry in the Isleta reach.

· A July allocation of 8,000 ac-ft will bring the 2025 San Juan-Chama total allocation to 30,000 ac-ft (~31% of full).

· On June 26, substantial debris flows from Percha Creek within the Black Fire burn scar area discharged into Caballo Reservoir. Surface debris were largely captured by a buoy line and subsequently removed through manual operations by the Elephant Butte Division, though some clogging of the outlet works occurred and will continue to be monitored. Cleaning of the lower intake structure will be completed at the end of the irrigation season. Release plans for the remainder of the year have been adjusted to minimize further clogging.



# MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Kelly, Board of Directors  
Through: Jason M. Casuga, CEO/Chief Engineer  
From: Human Resources  
Date: July 14, 2025  
Re: Introduction of New Hires

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## General Office

TIMOTHY	BRADLEY	SAFETY PROGRAM MANAGER	06/23/2025
DOMINICK	CHAVEZ	IRRIGATION SYSTEMS OPERATOR	06/23/2025

## Albuquerque Division

KAYDEN	MCDANIEL	FIELD MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	07/07/2025
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## Belen Division

ALFONSO	PADILLA	FIELD MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	07/07/2025
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**Resolution of the Board of Directors of the  
Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District  
Authorizing Acceptance of Water Trust Board (WTB) Project No. WPF-6591 Funding Offer:  
Water Storage Conveyance and Delivery Project – Feeder 3 Pump Station from the  
New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA)**

**M-07-14-25-224**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District adopted Resolution No. M-08-12-24-212 authorizing and approving the submission of a completed application for financial assistance and project approval to the NMFA WTB for the Feeder 3 Pump Station Project; and

**WHEREAS**, NMFA has recommended and approved the funding award; and

**WHEREAS**, the approved funding structure consists of a 10 % loan for \$600,000 and a 90% grant for \$5,400,000; and

**WHEREAS**, a match is required as part of the funding structure; and

**WHEREAS**, the District will use the WaterSmart Grant for \$2,500,000 as a grant match for the project, leaving an additional grant match of \$591,276, which has been budgeted in Fiscal Year 2026;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Directors of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District hereby accepts the NMFA WTB award of a 10 % loan for \$600,000 and a 90% grant in the amount of \$5,400,000.

The Board approves the required cash match for \$3,091,276, which will be satisfied in part by the WaterSmart Grant of \$2,500,000, with the remaining \$591,276 to be funded from the District's Fiscal Year 2026 budget.

The CEO/Chief Engineer is hereby designated as the District's representative for the NMFA WTB Project No. WPF-6591 and is authorized to execute, sign, and submit all required documentation. In the CEO's absence, the Secretary-Treasurer/CFO shall serve as the alternate signatory with full authority.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this 14th day of July 2025.

**MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

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John P. Kelly, Chairman of the Board

**ATTEST:**

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Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM  
Secretary-Treasurer/CFO



**RESOLUTION SETTING RATE  
FOR WATER DELIVERED TO THE LA JOYA ACEQUIA**

M-07-14-25-225

**WHEREAS**, in 1935, the La Joya Acequia petitioned the Court to be removed from the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 27, 1935, the Conservancy Court issued an order removing La Joya Acequia from the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, but specified that any future contract for the use of water would include a cost for construction and interest of El Vado Dam, stating that the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District should “furnish water . . . to the La Joya Acequia for the service of all lands thereunder . . . for such annual charge per acre as shall be set . . . , including pro rata construction and interest charges on the Dam.” (emphasis added); and

**WHEREAS**, on February 28, 1936, the La Joya Acequia and the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District entered into an agreement stating that the rate charged to La Joya Acequia would be “on parity” with the rates paid by other Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District water users, noting, “it being understood that lands in the La Joya . . . areas . . . shall be considered to be on a parity with all other District lands in the use of water”; and

**WHEREAS**, the La Joya Acequia water users have no right to receive water under the San Juan–Chama Project, as they did not contribute to the costs of that project, which was completed in 1976 and provides water to those within the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District who did pay for it; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 27, 1977, the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District and the La Joya Acequia entered into a new water supply agreement that did not alter the status of La Joya Acequia, which had been removed from the District pursuant to the 1935 order, nor did it change the terms of the 1936 Memorandum of Agreement. That 1977 agreement expressly stated that “the parties do not intend to, by this agreement, abridge or impede or change the present status of the agreement heretofore made by and between the parties on the 28th day of February 1936.” It further specified that the rate would be evaluated annually, stating, “said water charges shall be re-negotiated on a year to year basis,” and outlined a methodology for calculating the rate “conducive with the present day operations and expenses of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District and in a manner consistent with the practices of [the District].” The 1977 agreement also did not alter the obligation to pay construction and pro rata interest charges related to El Vado Dam; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 23, 2017, the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District Board passed a resolution affirming that the 1977 agreement, including the requirement for annual rate renegotiation, remained in effect and set the rate for that year at \$6.00 per acre; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 11, 2022, the Board of Directors of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District agreed that the rate to be charged to La Joya Acequia for the 2022 water year would be \$8.00 per irrigated acre; and

42 **WHEREAS**, on August 12, 2024, the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District and the La Joya  
43 Acequia entered into a Memorandum of Understanding titled *Defining Areas of Cooperation for*  
44 *the Consideration of the La Joya Acequia Rejoining the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy*  
45 *District*; and

46 **WHEREAS**, the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District and the La Joya Acequia continue to  
47 work jointly on the items identified in the 2024 Memorandum of Understanding; and

48 **WHEREAS**, on February 10, 2025, the Board of Directors of the Middle Rio Grande  
49 Conservancy District passed Resolution M-02-10-25-216, increasing the Water Service Charge  
50 for the Benefited Area by \$8.00 to a total of \$59.25 per acre; and

51 **WHEREAS**, the rate of \$8.00 per acre charged to La Joya Acequia is not a rate in parity with the  
52 rates paid by other Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District irrigators, nor is it conducive to the  
53 present-day operations and expenses of the District, nor is it set in a manner consistent with  
54 District practices; and

55 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors believes it is appropriate for the La Joya Acequia per-acre  
56 charge to increase by the same amount as the Benefited Area Water Service Charge increase  
57 while both parties continue to work through the August 2024 Memorandum of Understanding;

58 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the rate charged to the La Joya Acequia for the  
59 2026 water year shall be increased by the same amount as the Benefited Area Water Service  
60 Charge increase in Resolution M-02-10-25-216 (\$8.00 per acre). The rate charged to the La  
61 Joya Acequia for the 2026 water year shall be \$16.00 per acre; and

62 **DATED AND RESOLVED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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65 **MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**  
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69 John P. Kelly, Chairman of the Board  
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72 **ATTEST:**  
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76 Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CFGM  
77 Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

**To:** Board of Directors  
**Through:** Finance Committee  
**From:** Pam Fanelli  
**Date:** July 9, 2025  
**Subject:** YTD 4Q FY2025 Financial Information

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### **General Fund – Budget to Actual**

The District budgeted for a balanced General Fund. A budget adjustment was made in FY2025 totaling \$1,042,649 for FY2024 carry-forward encumbrances. These encumbrances are recognized as actual expenses in the current fiscal year but are offset against the corresponding encumbrance reserve in the fund balance.

Two budget adjustments were approved during FY2025:

- **BA-01-13-25-100:** Increased the expense budget by \$2,033,522 for the Belen Highline Project.
- **BA-05-12-25-11:** Decreased capital outlay expense by \$1,063,171, reflecting a refund from the Army Corps of Engineers related to the San Acacia Levee Project.

The total amount budgeted to be pulled from the fund balance was \$2,013,000, consisting of \$1,042,649 for encumbrances and a net \$970,351 from the two budget adjustments.

### **Revenues (excluding other financing sources):**

- Actual revenues total \$29,362,418.
- Ad Valorem revenues are trending approximately \$722,000 above budget. An additional \$900,000 is anticipated in July.
- Additional revenues above budget include:
  - Interest on investments: \$200,000 higher.
  - BIA revenue: \$200,000 higher.
  - Realized and unrealized gains on investments: \$237,000 (not budgeted).

### **Expenditures (excluding transfers):**

- Actual expenditures total \$27,829,193, compared to revised budgeted expenditures of \$30,211,949.
- FY2025 encumbrances total \$942,690, bringing total expenditures plus encumbrances to \$28,771,883.

A projected surplus of over \$1 million is expected for the General Fund, primarily due to revenue surpluses and unspent amounts in wages and fringes (originally budgeted for equipment).

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#### **Debt Service Fund – 4Q FY2025 Budget to Actual**

##### **Revenues:**

- \$36,117 from interest earned on cash with NMFA.

##### **Expenditures:**

- Total debt service expenditures: \$766,567, comprising principal payments of \$653,966 and interest payments of \$112,601.
- Monthly transfers from the Capital Investment Fund totaled \$745,965.

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#### **Grant Fund – 4Q FY2025 Budget to Actual**

##### **Revenues:**

- Year-to-date grant revenues total \$13,341,491. The current negative cash balance reflects billed but not yet received grant funds.
- Loan proceeds total \$461,261 and transfers-in from the Capital Investment Fund total \$862,498.

The District originally budgeted \$36,940,005 in grant revenue/expenditures. Approximately \$20 million (including transfers) is expected to remain unspent and will be re-budgeted in FY2026, due to delays in the following projects:

- **G3734 OSE/ARPA Grant (\$6,500,000):** Extended; expenditures anticipated in FY2026.
- **G3736 Corrales Siphon Grant (\$7,900,000):** Delayed due to right-of-way issues.
- **G3745 Socorro Canal Lining Phase 2 (\$4,600,000):** Delayed; will be rebid in FY2026.
- **G3753 ISC Grant (\$1,600,000):** Tub grinder ordered and encumbered; to be spent in FY2026.

##### **Expenditures:**

- Total \$14,525,703 (excluding other financing sources). A transfer was made to the General Fund for \$139,547 for Indirect Overhead Charges.

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#### **Capital Investment Fund – 4Q FY2025 Budget to Actual**

##### **Revenues:**

- \$4,431,442, including Ad Valorem revenues through June. An additional distribution is expected in July.

##### **Expenditures:**

- Total expenditures: \$1,647,715, including:
  - Equipment: \$409,663.

- Corrales Pumping: \$546,567.
- Bosque 1 Wasteway Project: \$312,776.
- Rubicon Las Cercas: \$119,296.
- ER&T bathroom and remodel: \$100,916.
- Peralta Main: \$36,596.
- Feeder 3 design: \$30,075.
- Ad Valorem collection fees: \$91,826.

**Transfers:**

- \$745,965 to the Debt Service Fund.
- \$862,498 to the Grant Fund.

**Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District**  
**Budget to Actual - General Fund (1) FY2025**  
**For the Periods Ending June 30, 2025**

Line		Original Budget	Encmbr rolled forward	Original Budget + Encmbr RF	Budget Adjustment	Revised Budget	Actual	Encumbrances	(Under)/Over
<b>REVENUES</b>									
1	Ad valorem taxes & interest- Sandoval County	2,364,000		2,364,000		2,364,000	2,337,605	-	(26,395)
2	Ad valorem taxes & interest- Bernalillo County	15,467,000		15,467,000		15,467,000	15,999,045	-	532,045
3	Ad valorem taxes & interest -Valencia County	4,671,000		4,671,000		4,671,000	4,778,828	-	107,828
4	Ad valorem taxes & interest-Socorro County	662,500		662,500		662,500	770,635	-	108,135
5	Water service charges	2,725,449		2,725,449		2,725,449	2,764,262	-	38,813
6	Alternative curtailment location fees	30,000		30,000		30,000	48,341	-	18,341
7	Licensing fees	54,000		54,000		54,000	80,490	-	26,490
8	Interest on investments	600,000		600,000		600,000	804,130	-	204,130
9	Realized gains/(loss) on investments	-		-		-	47,315	-	47,315
10	Unrealized Gain/(loss) on investments	-		-		-	189,744	-	189,744
11	Project Contract Revenue - federal	850,000		850,000		850,000	1,050,000	-	200,000
12	Project Contract Revenue - local	350,000		350,000		350,000	359,023	-	9,023
13	Operating and capital grants	-		-		-	-	-	-
14	Other	138,000		138,000		138,000	133,000	(200)	(5,200)
15	<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>27,911,949</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,911,949</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,911,949</u>	<u>29,362,418</u>	<u>(200)</u>	<u>1,450,269</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
16	Salaries	11,556,046		11,556,046		12,374,045	11,649,115	-	(724,930)
17	Employee benefits	4,744,975		4,744,975		4,744,975	4,683,393	-	(61,582)
18	Employee & board related costs	499,810	379	500,189		433,609	388,897	1,004	(43,708)
19	General & administrative expenses	577,389	116,749	694,138		647,748	443,782	128,292	(75,674)
20	Professional services	652,363	106,610	758,973		560,510	414,398	85,152	(60,960)
21	Insurance & legal services	1,597,369		1,597,369		1,527,615	1,413,499	38,163	(75,953)
22	Technology & communication	835,912	15,448	851,360		775,498	685,417	47,444	(42,637)
23	Ad valorem collection fees	479,338		479,338		503,673	503,989	-	316
24	Utilities	147,440		147,440		171,220	167,262	-	(3,958)
25	Facility maintenance	100,000		100,000		109,258	87,427	16,441	(5,390)
26	Division maintenance, const, rehab	1,388,150	138,382	1,526,532		1,494,390	1,307,580	10,675	(176,135)
27	Vehicle & equipment O&M	2,113,825	36,237	2,150,062		2,237,534	2,005,639	19,333	(212,562)
28	Conservation program	50,000	844	50,844		77,802	52,194	14,523	(11,085)
29	Safety program	27,090		27,090		27,691	10,635	2,295	(14,761)
30	Federal O&M services	1,763,367		1,763,367		1,845,184	1,763,085	81,817	(282)
31	Govern/assoc agreements, communityoutreach	485,875		485,875		501,516	208,805	91,887	(200,824)
32	Watershed management	-		-		100,000	100,000	-	-
33	Projects	150,000		150,000		122,350	103,206	8,549	(10,595)
34	Endangered species act projects	150,000		150,000		98,526	66,984	28,541	(3,001)
35	Capital expenditures	880,000	628,000	1,508,000	970,351	1,858,805	1,773,886	368,574	283,655
36	<b>Total expenditures</b>	<u>28,198,949</u>	<u>1,042,649</u>	<u>29,241,598</u>	<u>970,351</u>	<u>30,211,949</u>	<u>27,829,193</u>	<u>942,690</u>	<u>(1,440,066)</u>
37	Excess (deficiency) of revenues less Expenditures	(287,000)	(1,042,649)	(1,329,649)	(970,351)	(2,300,000)	1,533,225	(942,890)	2,890,335
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>									
38	Loan proceeds	-		-		-	-	-	-
39	Lease financing	-		-		-	285,239	-	285,239
40	Equipment disposition proceeds	50,000		50,000		50,000	13,051	-	(36,949)
41	Transfers in	237,000		237,000		237,000	139,547	-	(97,453)
42	Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
44	<b>Total other financing sources and (uses)</b>	<u>287,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>287,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>287,000</u>	<u>437,837</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>150,837</u>
45	<b>Net change in fund balance</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,042,649)</u>	<u>(1,042,649)</u>	<u>(970,351)</u>	<u>(2,013,000)</u>	<u>1,971,062</u>	<u>(942,890)</u>	<u>3,041,172</u>

**Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District**  
**General Fund - Comparison of FY 25 to FY 24 Actual Revenues & Expenditures**  
**For the Periods Ending June 30, 2025**

Line	2024 Actual	2025 Actual	Increase (Decrease) FY25 over FY24
<b>REVENUES</b>			
1 Ad valorem taxes & interest- Sandoval County	2,151,601	2,337,605	186,004
2 Ad valorem taxes & interest- Bernalillo County	15,377,484	15,999,045	621,561
3 Ad valorem taxes & interest -Valencia County	4,654,438	4,778,828	124,390
4 Ad valorem taxes & interest-Socorro County	629,602	770,635	141,033
5 Water service charges	2,344,904	2,764,262	419,358
6 Alternative curtailment location fees	49,054	48,341	(713)
7 Licensing fees	85,990	80,490	(5,500)
8 Interest on investments	903,497	804,130	(99,367)
9 Realized gains/(loss) on investments	33,984	47,315	13,331
10 Unrealized gain/(loss) on investments	346,622	189,744	(156,878)
11 Project Contract Revenue - federal	780,991	1,050,000	269,009
12 Project Contract Revenue - local	350,946	359,023	8,077
13 Operating and capital grants	29,688	-	(29,688)
14 Other	129,243	133,000	3,757
15 <b>Total revenues</b>	<b>27,868,044</b>	<b>29,362,418</b>	<b>1,494,374</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
16 Salaries	10,731,305	11,649,115	917,810
17 Employee benefits	4,406,675	4,683,393	276,718
18 Employee & board related costs	700,914	388,897	(312,017)
19 General & administrative expenses	458,565	443,782	(14,783)
20 Professional services	479,719	414,398	(65,321)
21 Insurance & legal services	1,382,532	1,413,499	30,967
22 Technology & communication	624,297	685,417	61,120
23 Ad valorem collection fees	326,816	503,989	177,173
24 Utilities	153,503	167,262	13,759
25 Facility maintenance	84,336	87,427	3,091
26 Division maintenance, const, rehab	1,124,538	1,307,580	183,042
27 Vehicle & equipment O&M	2,159,292	2,005,639	(153,653)
28 Conservation program	33,704	52,194	18,490
29 Safety program	14,766	10,635	(4,131)
30 Federal O&M services	1,093,283	1,763,085	669,802
O&M services Low Flow	-	-	-
31 Govern/assoc agreements, community outreach	269,744	208,805	(60,939)
32 Watershed management	-	100,000	100,000
33 Projects	172,363	103,206	(69,157)
34 Endangered species act projects	50,000	66,984	16,984
35 Capital expenditures	2,126,210	1,773,886	(352,324)
36 <b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>26,392,562</b>	<b>27,829,193</b>	<b>1,436,631</b>
37 Excess (deficiency) of revenues less Expenditures	1,475,482	1,533,225	57,743
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>			
38 Loan proceeds	-	-	-
39 Lease financing	5,470	285,239	279,769
40 Equipment disposition proceeds	-	13,051	13,051
41 Transfers in	168,022	139,547	(28,475)
42 Transfers out	(2,832,593)	-	2,832,593
43 <b>Total other financing sources and (uses)</b>	<b>(2,659,101)</b>	<b>437,837</b>	<b>3,096,938</b>
44 <b>Net change in fund balance</b>	<b>\$ (1,183,619)</b>	<b>\$ 1,971,062</b>	<b>\$ 3,154,681</b>



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT  
FISCAL YEAR 2025 FOURTH QUARTER UNAUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED  
CASH BALANCE REVIEW AS OF JULY 1, 2025**

**BA-07-14-25-105**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 6-6-2 NMSA 1978, the State of New Mexico Department of Finance - Local Government Division (NMDFA-LGD) has examined the proposed (Interim) Fiscal Year 2024 budget of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District: and,

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 6-6-2 NMSA 1978, the NMDFA-LGD granted the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District approval and certification for use of the Fiscal Year 2026 budget pending its Board of Governance review and approval of the fourth quarter Fiscal Year 2025 unaudited financial report including unaudited cash balances as of July 1, 2025: and,

**WHEREAS**, on July 14, 2025, at the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, the fourth quarter Fiscal Year 2025 unaudited financial report, including unaudited cash balances as of July 1, 2025, was presented to the Board of Directors; and,

**WHEREAS** the Secretary/Treasurer of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District hereby certifies that the content of the fourth quarter Fiscal Year 2024 unaudited financial report, including unaudited cash balances as of July 1, 2025, is true and correct to the best of her knowledge.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District's Board of Governance hereby approves the Fiscal Year 2025 fourth quarter unaudited financial report including unaudited cash balances as of July 1, 2025, and respectfully requests final approval and certification from the State of New Mexico Department of Finance - Local Government Division of the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District Fiscal Year 2026 budget in accordance with Section 6-6-2 NMSA 1978.

**RESOLVED** in session this 14TH day of July 2025.

**MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

\_\_\_\_\_  
John P. Kelly, Chairman

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Colin T. Baugh, Vice Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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Karen Dunning, Director

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Michael T. Sandoval, Director

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Glen Duggins, Director

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Brian Jiron, Director

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Stephanie Russo Baca, Director

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Pamela S. Fanelli, CMA, CGFM  
Secretary-Treasurer/CFO

## Vice Chair Colin T. Baugh Board Reports July 2025

a) **Report on the City of Albuquerque Open Space Meeting, June 10, 2025**

Attended a great meeting with Albuquerque Open Space and design firm addressing the Harwood Lateral linear park design with the neighborhood. Great turn out and a lot of important topics were discussed with the overall consensus being that the neighborhood is very excited and the city and District are dedicated to including the neighborhood throughout the entire process.

b) **Report on the TOTAL NM (Teaching Outdoors to ALL Learners) Teaching Beyond the Walls Conference, June 13, 2025,**

Spoke at this teachers event at Valle Vista helping highlight the unique approach of the outdoor Acequia classroom and the overall trend that APS, community, and District are creating around more ways to engage teachers and students in better understanding places through cultural lessons around better use of water and agricultural stewardship.

c) **Report on the Tierra Viva Neighborhood Association, June 20, 2025,**

Walked this acequia with a concerned constituent regarding the upkeep that the neighborhood has inquired since its inception. The idea is that the neighborhood would like to pay the District to maintain their section of the ditch. I would like to have this discussed in detail with staff at an urban issues committee in the near future.

d) **Report on the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute (SIPI) Environmental Science Program, June 24, 2025,**

I spoke to a group of students from SIPI regarding the efforts that the District is taking towards empowering local ownership of unique issues, with support and guidance from the District in deep collaboration with the experts of the community. This occurred at the Gutiérrez-Hubble house and was following a beautiful monsoon rainfall!

e) **Report on a Constituent Meeting off the Harwood Lateral, June 25, 2025,**

This meeting took place following the meeting with Albuquerque Open Space and the District regarding the Harwood Lateral. I met with several interested constituents that irrigate at the end of the hardwood who are very interested in making their lateral work better and ways to address decades of neglect.

## **Director Russo Baca Board Reports July 2025**

### **Report on the Farmers for Future Farmers Meeting, June 10, 2025**

This meeting was well-attended with various farmers from the district. There were questions about the water outlook as well as water enforcement issues. I provided an overview of the water outlook, along with a brief update on the storage situation and SJC.

### **Report on the River Mile 60 Tour with Office of Rep. Gabe Vasquez, June 11, 2025**

Jason Casuga, Casey Ish, Anne Marken, and I met with Eli Baca from Rep. Gabe Vasquez's office to show the current situation at River Mile 60.

### **Report on the MRCOG Board meeting, June 12, 2025**

The board reviewed the FY2026 Proposed Budget, which includes regional transportation planning, Rio Metro Operations, economic development, Regional and Local Planning, Workforce Development Programs, and the general fund. The full agenda and proposed budget can be found on <https://www.mrcog-nm.gov/449/MRCOG-Board-of-Directors>

### **Report on the VCSWCD Board meeting, June 13 & June 26, 2025**

The Valencia County Soil and Water Conservation District Board met twice in June, and I was able to attend both meetings virtually. During these meetings, I provided updates on water and emergency response, as well as shared information about the public meetings that MRGCD is hosting in July in Socorro and Valencia counties, since the VCSWCD spans both counties.

### **Report on the MRGCD Election Committee Meeting, July 14, 2025**

Declaration of Candidacy and Petition Forms will be available beginning Wednesday, July 9, 2025, at the General Office of the MRGCD, 1931 Second Street SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico. The deadline to file a Declaration of Candidacy with the required petition signatures (75) is no later than 4:30 p.m., Friday, August 8, 2025. <https://www.mrgcd.com/board-election-information/>.

### **Report on the ISC Meeting, June 18, 2025**

#### **RIO GRANDE BASIN KEY UPDATES**

2025 Rio Grande Compact Status – New Mexico's cumulative Compact status is 124,000 acre-feet, and Article VII restrictions remain in effect. Usable Water in Project Storage was about 242,000 acre-feet as of June 8.

**El Vado Reservoir Operations** – Reclamation is currently storing about 32,000 acre-feet of San Juan Chama Project (SJCP) and Prior and Paramount (P&P) water. Reclamation's reassessment regarding construction to rehabilitate the Dam is ongoing.

**Abiquiu Reservoir and Dam Operations** – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the Bureau of Reclamation are continuing to evaluate the best storage options for P&P water in

2025. Releases from Abiquiu Dam are being monitored to evaluate downstream channel capacity.

#### WORK AREA OVERVIEWS

#### INTERSTATE COMPACTS

Article VII restrictions remain in effect, and the only native water stored in 2025 will be for P&P needs. There will be no additional native storage in post-1929 reservoirs this year.

#### WATER OPERATIONS

**El Vado Operations** – Reclamation is continuing to test the safe water storage capacity at El Vado while they study new alternatives to rehabilitate the Dam. Currently, approximately 5,800 acre-feet of San Juan-Chama Project (SJCP) water and 19,000 acre-feet of P&P water are being stored in the reservoir, totaling around 24,800 acre-feet of storage in El Vado. The maximum volume that Reclamation plans to store in El Vado is 25,200 acre-feet.

**Abiquiu Operations** – Very low water supply conditions in 2025 have resulted in an above-average storage requirement for P&P purposes. Based on the May forecast, the final P&P storage requirement is approximately 32,000 acre-feet. In addition to the 19,000 acre-feet of P&P water stored in El Vado, Reclamation is storing about 12,800 acre-feet of P&P water in Abiquiu under a temporary emergency permit. Due to sedimentation in the Rio Chama, the USACE plans to make incremental releases from Abiquiu Dam during high runoff to test the channel capacity downstream of the Dam.

**Rio Chama Plug Updates** – So far, no flooding or saturation issues have been reported in the lower Rio Chama this spring. The NMISC is continuing to collaborate with partners at the USACE, Reclamation, and the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to find solutions and further increase channel capacity. The NMISC is also exploring various programs to provide technical and/or planning assistance, as well as educational opportunities for local communities in the Rio Chama basin.

**Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD)** – Models are predicting that the allocation for all SJCP contractors will be between 35 and 40 percent of a full allocation.

**River Mile 60** – Reclamation has reduced flows to the west at the bottom of the Low-Flow Conveyance Channel. It continues to collect and analyze data from these experimental operations, evaluating the impacts on bird habitat. These reduced flows will continue through October, and flows will be reduced to 0 cfs from November through January 2026. Reclamation is reviewing the 2024 data, and it will be shared with the NMISC once their evaluation is completed. NMISC continues to express concern related to increased depletions associated with these flows to the west.

**Elephant Butte Reservoir and Usable Water** – Models indicate that storage in Elephant Butte Reservoir could fall below 30,000 acre-feet by the end of July; levels this low haven't been seen since the severe drought of the 1950s. Without a significant monsoon season, Usable Water in Elephant Butte and Caballo Reservoirs is not expected to rise above 115,000 acre-feet by the end of 2025. The full agenda can be found at [https://www.ose.nm.gov/ISC/isc\\_meetings.php](https://www.ose.nm.gov/ISC/isc_meetings.php).

#### Report on the Valencia Board of County Commissioners Emergency Meeting June 23, 2025

This was an emergency meeting held by the Board of County Commissioners regarding the devastating Desert Willow Complex fire, which originated from two separate fires: the "Cotton 1 Fire" and the "Cotton 2 Fire." The fires started on Saturday, June 21, near the Main Street bridge, impacting areas on both sides of the Rio Grande.

### **Report on the Interview for MRGCD documentary, June 24, 2025**

Arcie Chapa conducted interviews with Cecilia Rosacker, Gina DelloRusso, and me at Cecilia Rosacker's farm. These interviews were conducted for the film and to gain a few different perspectives for the upcoming MRGCD Centennial documentary.

### **Report on the NM WRRRI Agricultural Water Resilience Program Webinar, July 1, 2025**

The NM WRRRI Agricultural Water Resilience Program funds projects to incentivize agricultural water conservation and resilience. The program is administered by the New Mexico Water Resources Research Institute (NM WRRRI) at New Mexico State University. The New Mexico Legislature appropriated Fiscal Year 2026 funds for the program. \$4.5 million will be made available for individual projects, with a maximum award of \$250,000 per project. Project funds must be expended from September 15, 2025, through June 30, 2026. Applications are due July 28, 2025. Eligible applicants include Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Irrigation and Conservancy Districts, Acequia and Community Ditch Associations, Watershed Districts, local governments, and tribal governments. Eligible applicants will partner with ranchers and farmers to develop and propose projects that improve the ability to manage, conserve, and efficiently apply limited water resources for agricultural production—total funding pool of \$4.5 million, with a maximum award of \$250,000. Eligible applicants are not required to contribute to the project costs; however, a 25% match is desirable. Examples of Potential Projects Are Provided Below. Funded activities can be summarized as projects that Improve Water use efficiency and enhance water management and resilience, improving stock water management. Improving water use efficiency in Irrigation. Agricultural Water Management Improvement. Technologies such as mulching and other enhancements to efficiency and resilience, including the Multi-Depth Soil Moisture Sensor, Smart Float Valve, and Automated Irrigation Gates. If an applicant is uncertain about whether their proposed project or technology aligns with these goals, they are encouraged to submit questions to [nmwrrri@nmsu.edu](mailto:nmwrrri@nmsu.edu). Submit questions with the subject Line: "FY26 Agricultural Water Resilience Application Questions." Answers will be posted in the FAQs on the NM WRRRI AgWRP website. To see the complete Request for Applications, including the entire program description, further eligible applicant criteria, application templates, and other helpful information, click the link: <https://nmwrrri.nmsu.edu/nmwrrri-agwrp/nmwrrri-agwrp.html>.

### **Report on the Socorro Farmers Meeting, July 9, 2025**

The meeting was well-attended by both MRGCD staff and community members. Topics of discussion included the water outlook, water enforcement practices and policies, and field drains. The audience was given time to ask questions based on these topics.

### **Report on the Coalition of Six Middle Rio Grande Basin Pueblos, July 10, 2025**

Anne Marken provided the water update to the coalition members, and I announced the NM WRRRI Agricultural Water Resilience Program funds. Eric Zamora and Casey Ish were also present.