



**MINUTES OF THE
CENTRAL COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
APRIL 21, 2026**

The regular monthly meeting of the Central Colorado Water Conservancy District was held on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at the office of the Central Colorado Water Conservancy District located at 3209 W. 28th St. Greeley, Colorado. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Chairman Ralph Anders and the following Directors were present: Ralph Anders, President; Chad Schafer, Vice President; Dan Kammerzell, At-Large; David Bernhardt; Steve Bruntz; Doug Dill; David Eckhardt; Travis Hergert; Calven Goza; Everett Kissler; Randy Knutson; John Mark; Alan Mazzotti and Brian Rosenbrock. Bret Schmidt, Treasurer attended on Zoom.

Others present were Randy Ray, Executive Director; Billy Mihelich, District Engineer; Danyelle Hart, Financial Analyst; Courtney Jones, Water Quality Coordinator; Abby Gearhart, Water Resources Coordinator and Lynn Kramer, Contracts Manager. Special guests were Brad Grasmick and David Strait of Lawrence Custer Grasmick Jones & Donovan and Ed Armbruster of White Sands Water Engineers.

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

MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER

SECOND: DOUG DILL

MOTION APPROVED

Public Discussion

Greg Peterson, Executive Director of Colorado Ag Water Alliance attended give an update on their current projects and took questions from the board.

Aaron Million, CEO of Water Horse Resources updated the board on his Green River project.

Blaine Swanson of Gallagher Insurance reviewed the insurance policy and premium increases.

Bill Ray with WR Communications Inc attended to review the community outreach his team has been doing and their next steps.

Legal Action Items

There were no legal action items.

Legal/Legislative Reports

Brad Grasmick reviewed the February and March 2026 resumes.

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE NO. 26CW3023.

MOTION: JOHN MARK

SECOND: CHAD SCHAFER

MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE NO. 26CW3026.

MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI

SECOND: STEVE BRUNTZ

MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE NO. 26CW3031.
MOTION: STEVE BRUNTZ
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE NO. 26CW3035.
MOTION: TRAVIS HERGERT
SECOND: CHAD SCHAFFER
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE NO. 26CW3042.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFFER
SECOND: DOUG DILL
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE NO. 26CW3046.
MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT
SECOND: DAN KAMMERZELL
MOTION CARRIED

Brad provided a Water Court update including the Western change case and the supplemental aug plan, he then reviewed several bills in the legislature.

District Action

President Anders assigned the Aaron Million MOU to the Water Projects Committee.

The board discussed the Gallagher Insurance quote.

MOVE TO ACCEPT THE POLICY INCREASE FOR THE 2026 – 2027 TERM FROM GALLAGHER INSURANCE.
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFFER
SECOND: STEVE BRUNTZ
MOTION CARRIED

Randy Ray presented the West Water Research proposal to conduct an appraisal of the Goza Pit.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE TIER 2 APPRAISAL FROM WEST WATER RESEARCH.
MOTION: RANDY KNUTSON
SECOND: JOHN MARK
MOTION CARRIED WITH CALVEN GOZA ABSTAINING

Subdistrict Action

There were no Subdistrict action items.

Staff Action

There was no staff action.

President's Report

There was no President's Report.

Education Report

Randy reviewed the 2026 Scholarship award winners.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE LIST OF 2026 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS.

MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER

SECOND: DOUG DILL

MOTION CARRIED

Water Quality Report

Courtney Jones presented a Water Quality Report regarding SB26-065 – Neonicotinoids. The board discussed future testing, President Anders assigned it to the District Committee.

Subdistrict Report

Billy Mihelich provided an operational report and precipitation outlook.

District Report

There was no District Report.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Ray was contacted regarding the Colorado River Research Study on Drought & Water Management by Julian Cardona, Hydrology Ph.D. student at the University of Nevada Reno. Randy asked if any board members were interested in talking to Julian.

Jeremy Heid with Hero Expeditions is looking for landowners willing to allow a turkey hunt on their property.

Randy, Billy, John Mark and Steve Bruntz met several landowners regarding the wash-out at the Kiowa Recharge site.

Director Dill asked for a recap of the Water Projects Committee, Randy described the project that was presented.

Secretary Ray reviewed the board calendar.

MOVE TO ADJOURN.

MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT

SECOND: JOHN MARK

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lynn Kramer