



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

The regular monthly meeting of the Groundwater Management Subdistrict 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.

**Action Items**

Lynn Kramer presented Petitions to Transfer Water Allotment Contracts for board approval.

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 10.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #960 PECKHAM DEVELOPMENT CORP TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #287 FRONT RANGE LAND & LIVESTOCK LLC.

MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI

SECOND: RANDY KNUTSON

MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 15.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #522 DECKER PROPERTY INVESTMENT.

MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER  
SECOND: ALAN MAZZOTTI  
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 55.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1113 ECKHARDT FARMS.

MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER  
SECOND: DAVE BERNHARDT  
MOTION CARRIED WITH DAVID ECKHARDT ABSTAINING

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 40.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #399 EMPIRE DAIRY.

MOTION: JOHN MARK  
SECOND: ALAN MAZZOTTI  
MOTION CARRIED WITH STEVE BRUNTZ ABSTAINING

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 10.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D NON-IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #401 EMPIRE DAIRY.

MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI  
SECOND: JOHN MARK  
MOTION CARRIED WITH STEVE BRUNTZ ABSTAINING

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 20.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1224 LARRY & GLEN KOBABEL.

MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER  
SECOND: DOUG DILL  
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 7.62 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1054 JOEL & ANGELA RITCHEY.

MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI  
SECOND: JOHN MARK  
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 30.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1268 RITCHEY LAND COMPANY.

MOTION: ALAN MAZZOTTI  
SECOND: STEVE BRUNTZ  
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 20.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1355 RODNICK & ELSIE ULRICH.

MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER  
SECOND: ALAN MAZZOTTI  
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 15.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #421 TERRY & JANICE WIEDEMAN.  
MOTION: DAVE BERNHARDT  
SECOND: JOHN MARK  
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERMANENT TRANSFER OF 20.0 ACRE FEET OF CONSUMPTIVE USE FROM GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1306 WESTERN EQUIPMENT & TRUCK TO GMS CLASS D IRRIGATION WATER ALLOTMENT CONTRACT #1371 RIVER ROAD HOLDINGS.  
MOTION: TRAVIS HERGERT  
SECOND: STEVE BRUNTZ  
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED AND BILL OF SALE FOR MCCARTHY WELL #13587 TO RIVER ROAD HOLDINGS, LP.  
MOTION: RANDY KNUTSON  
SECOND: ALAN MAZZOTTI  
MOTION CARRIED

Lynn reviewed the April 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026 pumping data.

#### **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 SCHAFER  
MOTION CARRIED

MOVE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION IN CASE NO. 26CW3042.  
MOTION: CHAD SCHAFER  
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 SCHAFER  
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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lynn Kramer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Lynn Kramer