

### Memorandum

**To:** Tea Pot Dome Board Member  
**CC:** File  
**From:** Cinthia Canales  
**Date:** 04/02/2025  
**Re:** April Board Packet

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Enclosed is this month's Board packet, which includes:

- April Agenda
- Minutes – February 12, 2025, February 12, 2025 GSA, February 27, 2025 Special Meeting, March 12, 2025 & March 12, 2025 GSA

See you Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

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# Agenda

# Tea Pot Dome Water District

April 9, 2025, 9:00 AM  
Tea Pot Dome Water District Office

Type of meeting:

Board of Directors

Attendees:

## Open Session

### Agenda topics

#### Administration

- Agenda Approval – **Action Item**
- Minutes of February 12, 2025 meeting – **Action Item**
- Minutes of February 12, 2025 GSA meeting – **Action Item**
- Minutes of February 27, 2025 special meeting – **Action Item**
- Minutes of March 12, 2025 meeting – **Action Item**
- Minutes of March 12, 2025 GSA meeting – **Action Item**

- Public Comment

*Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3, members of the public may directly address the members of the Board of Directors on any item of interest to the public within the Board of Director's subject matter jurisdiction before or during the Board of Director's consideration of the item. Public comment times may be limited to three minutes each at the discretion of the Chair.*

#### TPDWD GSA – Sustainable Groundwater Management Act

- Updates
- Other

#### TEA POT DOME WATER DISTRICT

##### Financial Statement/Bills

- Treasurer's Report & Bills to approve – **Action Item**

##### Water Operations

- Water delivery report
- 2024 Water Supply Summary
- 2025 Water Supply / Allocation – **Action Item**

## Company Operations & Maintenance

- Operations & Maintenance report

## Other

- Friant Water Authority
  - Friant Kern Canal O&M
  - TPDWD Pump Station project
- Title Transfer – District Facilities – On hold

## Closed Session

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—PENDING OR THREATENED LITIGATION in accordance with Government Code Section 54956.9(B)

### \*\* If Necessary

- Possible adjournment to closed session to confer with legal counsel on pending or threatened litigation in accordance with Government Code Section 54956.9(A) – (Anticipated Litigation – Initiation of Litigation) (3 cases)
  - Name of Case: City of Fresno et.al. v. United States (2014 & 2015 claims)
  - Name of Case: NRDC v. United States

### \*\* If Necessary

- Real Property - Possible adjournment to executive session to confer on Real Property Negotiations in accordance with Government Code Section 54956.8 (Brown Act).
  1. District Negotiator: General Manager Eric Limas

### \*\* If Necessary

## Meetings Hearings and Notices

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**MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
TEA POT DOME WATER DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Teapot Dome Water District met at 9:00 a.m. on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025 at the office of the Tea Pot Dome Water District in Porterville, CA. The meeting was called to order, and it was determined that the following Directors were in attendance:

<b><u>BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE</u></b>		<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
DAVE SHERWOOD	Present	November 2026
RON CASTRO	Present	November 2026
MATT LEIDER	Present	November 2026
DYSON SCHNEIDER	<b>ABSENT</b>	November 2028
TIM PELTZER	Present	November 2028

Also present were Lower Tule River Irrigation District representatives ERIC LIMAS, KIRK MASTERS, MARK GREENALL, JOHN MICHAEL DOMONDON, and Special Counsel JENNIFER SPALETTA. Also present from the public was KEVIN HOFSTEE.

**1. BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

President LEIDER called the meeting to order.

On motion by Director SHERWOOD, second by Director CASTRO, and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved.

On motion by Director CASTRO, second by Director PELTZER, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the January 8, 2025, board of directors meeting were approved as presented.

**2. ADMINISTRATION / FINANCIAL STATEMENT / BILLS**

Manager LIMAS presented an Agreement with Tulare County for Collection of Assessments. After discussion, on motion by Director SHERWOOD, second by Director CASTRO, and unanimously approved, the Agreement with Tulare County for Collection of Assessments was approved as presented.

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Manager LIMAS presented a LTRID Management Agreement amendment. After discussion, on motion by Director PELTZER, second by Director SHERWOOD, and unanimously approved, the LTRID Management Agreement amendment was approved as presented.

Lower Tule River Irrigation District representative GREENALL reviewed the treasurer's report and bills paid for January. On motion by Director CASTRO, second by Director SHERWOOD, and unanimously approved, the bills paid were approved, and the treasurer's report was ordered and placed on file.

**3. WATER OPERATIONS**

DOMONDON reviewed current water conditions, operations, and delivery reports. No Action was taken.

Manager LIMAS reviewed the 2024 Water Supply/Allocation. No action was taken.

The board discussed the remaining 2024 Water Supply. After discussion, on motion by CASTRO, second by Director PELTZER and unanimously approved, the Board approved allowing landowners' requests to recharge the remaining allocation up to a total request of 499 acre-feet (AF); requests beyond 499 AF will be prorated based on landowners' acreage.

Lower Tule River Irrigation District representative DOMONDON reviewed the 2025 Water Rules and Regulations. On motion by Director CASTRO, second by Director PELTZER, and unanimously approved, the 2025 Water Rules and Regulation was approved as presented.

Manager LIMAS reviewed the 2025 Water Supply / Allocation. After discussion, no action was taken.

Manager LIMAS reviewed the 2025 Water Rate. After discussion, on motion by Director SHERWOOD, second by Director PELTZER, and unanimously approved, the Board adopted the same water rate. The west turnout was adopted at \$155 per acre-foot,

and for east turnout, it was adopted at \$180 per acre-foot.

The Board considered Resolution 2025-2-1 for 2025 Water Year 215 Contract with the USBR. On motion by Director CASTRO, second by Director SHERWOOD, and unanimously approved, Resolution 2025-2-1 was approved.

**4. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**

Lower Tule River ID representative MASTERS reviewed the monthly water operations and annual maintenance activities; including 10 new meters installation, and 27 meters replacement via warranty. No action was taken.

**5. OTHER**

Manager LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations, pump station activities, and USBR water user's conference in January. No action was taken.

**6. CLOSED SESSION**

The Board went into a closed session at approximately 10:00 a.m. Upon reconvening into an open session, it was reported that no reportable action was taken during the closed session.

There being no further business to be brought to the Board's attention, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY OF THE  
TEA POT DOME WATER DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Teapot Dome Water District sitting as the GSA Board, met at 9:00 a.m. on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025 at the office of the Tea Pot Dome Water District in Porterville, CA. The meeting was called to order, and it was determined that the following Directors were in attendance:

<b><u>BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE</u></b>		<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
DAVE SHERWOOD	Present	November 2026
RON CASTRO	Present	November 2026
MATT LEIDER	Present	November 2026
DYSON SCHNEIDER	<b>ABSENT</b>	November 2028
TIM PELTZER	Present	November 2028

Also present were Lower Tule River Irrigation District representatives ERIC LIMAS, KIRK MASTERS, MARK GREENALL, JOHN MICHAEL DOMONDON, and Special Counsel JENNIFER SPALETTA. Also present from the public was KEVIN HOFSTEE.

**1. BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

President LEIDER called the meeting to order.

On motion by Director SHERWOOD, second by Director CASTRO, and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved.

On motion by Director CASTRO, second by Director PELTZER, and unanimously approved, the January 8, 2025 GSA minutes were approved as presented.

**2. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT**

Lower Tule representative DOMONDON reviewed the groundwater accounting and monthly summary report. No action was taken.

3. OTHER MATTERS

The Board went into closed session. Upon reconvening out of closed session, it was reported that no reportable actions were taken in closed session.

There being no further business to be brought to the Board's attention, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas



**MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
TEA POT DOME WATER DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Tea Pot Dome Water District met jointly with the Lower Tule River Irrigation District and Pixley Irrigation District Boards of Directors in a Special Meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025, at 11:00 am at the Lower Tule River Irrigation District Office. The meeting was called to order, and it was determined that the following Directors were in attendance:

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DAVE SHERWOOD	Present	November 2026
RON CASTRO	Present	November 2026
MATT LEIDER	Present	November 2026
DYSON SCHNEIDER	<b>ABSENT</b>	November 2028
TIM PELTZER	Present	November 2028

***District Staff present:***

Eric Limas, General Manager

***Others Present:***

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel

**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

The Board reviewed the agenda. On motion by Director CASTRO, second by Director PELTZER and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved as presented.

**OTHER MATTERS**

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening out of closed session, it was reported that no reportable actions were taken in closed session.

There being no further business to be brought to the Board attention, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas  
General Manager

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GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY OF THE  
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RON CASTRO	<b>ABSENT</b>	November 2026
MATT LEIDER	Present	November 2026
DYSON SCHNEIDER	Present	November 2028
TIM PELTZER	<b>ABSENT</b>	November 2028

Also present were Lower Tule River Irrigation District representatives ERIC LIMAS, KIRK MASTERS, MARK GREENALL, JOHN MICHAEL DOMONDON, and General Counsel ALEX PELTZER via video conference. Also present from the public were KEVIN HOFSTEE and MIKE RUIZ.

**1. BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

President LEIDER called the meeting to order.

On motion by Director SHERWOOD, second by Director SCHNEIDER, and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 12, 2025 GSA meeting. No action was taken.

**2. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT**

Lower Tule representative DOMONDON and Manager LIMAS reviewed the groundwater accounting, monthly summary report, and the Tulare County Well Permit Draft Ordinance. No action was taken.

3. OTHER MATTERS

The Board went into closed session. Upon reconvening out of closed session, it was reported that no reportable actions were taken in closed session.

There being no further business to be brought to the Board's attention, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas

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**1. BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

President LEIDER called the meeting to order.

On motion by Director SHERWOOD, second by Director SCHNEIDER, and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 12, 2025, Board of Directors meeting. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 27, 2025, Special Board of Directors meeting. No action was taken.

The Board discussed Board member appointments. No action was taken.

**2. ADMINISTRATION / FINANCIAL STATEMENT / BILLS**

Lower Tule River Irrigation District representative GREENALL reviewed the treasurer's report and bills paid for February. On motion by Director SHERWOOD, second by Director SCHNEIDER, and unanimously approved, the bills paid were approved, and the treasurer's report was ordered and placed on file.

**3. WATER OPERATIONS**

DOMONDON reviewed current water conditions, operations, and delivery reports, including the total water recharged request from the landowners. No Action was taken.

DOMONDON reviewed the 2025 Spring Groundwater Well Measurements. No action was taken.

Manager LIMAS reviewed the 2025 Water Supply/Allocation. After discussion, on motion by Director SCHNEIDER, and second by Director SHERWOOD, and unanimously approved, the initial allocation is set at 1.0 acre-feet per acre.

Manager LIMAS reviewed Resolution 2025-3-1 considering a URF contract with the USBR. On motion by Director SHERWOOD, second by SCHNEIDER, and unanimously approved, the resolution was approved.

**4. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**

Lower Tule River ID representative MASTERS reviewed the monthly water operations, maintenance activities, and testing of the interconnection facility between Vandalia Water District and Tea Pot Dome Water District. No action was taken.

**5. OTHER**

Manager LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations and pump station activities. No action was taken.

**6. CLOSED SESSION**

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