



Approved Minutes of July 9, 2026
GSA and Regular Board

**Pixley Irrigation District and
Pixley ID Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2026
Location: 357 E. Olive Avenue, Tipton, CA 93272
Time: 9:00 a.m.**

Sitting as Pixley Irrigation District Board of Directors and the Governing Body of the Pixley ID Groundwater Sustainability Agency

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Junio
Roll Call:

Director Div. 1 Neal Westbrook
Director Div. 2 Bill DeGroot
Director Div. 3 Randy Parreira
Director Div. 4 Rusty Schott
Director Div. 5 Frank Junio - President

District Staff:

Alex Peltzer, General Manager
Travis Millwee, Resources Manager
John Michael Domondon, Operations Manager
Mark Greenall, Controller
Kirk Masters, Water Resources Superintendent
Jack Lopez, Operations Superintendent
Cinthia Canales, Administrative Assistant / Board Clerk

Landowners and Public:

2. Public Comment and Agenda Approval.
 - a. During this item, members of the public will be afforded an opportunity to address the Board on any matter within the jurisdiction of the District at the beginning of the session or before the Board's consideration of an agenda item regarding that item. Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person, unless otherwise indicated by the Board President, with a maximum of 30 minutes for public comments overall. Cal. Gov. Code § 54954.3.



- b. Agenda Approval (GSA and District Combined)– **Action Item**
On motion by Director Parreira, seconded by Director Westbrook and unanimously approved, the Agenda was approved.
- 3. GSA/District Administration.
 - a. Minutes of June 11, 2026, Board Meeting (GSA and District Combined) – **Action Item – Attachment**
On motion by Director Schott, seconded by Director Westbrook and unanimously approved, the Minutes of June 11, 2026 GSA and Board Meeting was approved as presented.
 - b. Minutes of June 16, 2026, Special District Meeting – **Action Item – Attachment**
On motion by Director Schott, seconded by Director Westbrook and unanimously approved, the Minutes of June 11, 2026 GSA and Board Meeting was approved as presented.
 - c. Recognition of Eric Limas, Resolution 2026-07-01 - **Action Item – Attachment**
General Manager reviewed the written staff report, Director Parreira offered the following motion:
“I move to adopt Resolution No. 2026-07-01 recognizing Eric Limas for his dedicated service as General Manager of Lower Tule River Irrigation District and Pixley Irrigation District and expressing the Board of Directors' appreciation and gratitude for his years of exemplary service.”
The motion was seconded by Director DeGroot and adopted by unanimous vote.

Pixley ID Groundwater Sustainability Agency Open Session Items

- 4. GSP Implementation
 - a. May 2026 Groundwater Usage Report – **Attachment**
General Manager Peltzer reviewed the May 2026 Groundwater Usage Report.
 - b. Subsidence Management Plan
 - i. April (Q1) Subsidence Management Zone Update – **Attachment**
Resources Manager Millwee reviewed the 2026 Quarter 1 data. No action was taken.
 - ii. Update on Development of Allocation Adjustments and SMMZ EAPs and CSMOs
General Manager Peltzer and Resources Manager Millwee provided an update on the Development of allocation adjustments and SMMZ EAPs and CSMOs. No action was taken.
 - c. Morehead Appeal
General Manager Peltzer and Resources Manager Millwee provided an update and presented a written staff report on the Morehead Appeal, regarding meter reading v. ET measurement. On motion by Director DeGroot and seconded by Director Parreira and unanimously approved Morehead's appeal was approved to



use the 92.5% crop efficiency and the full difference between ET reading, and Meter credited to account.

5. Subbasin Probationary Status - Tule Subbasin Coordination

a. Tule Subbasin Policy Group Updates

General Manager Peltzer and Resources Manager Millwee provided an update on the Tule Subbasin Policy Group activities, including the coordination process and the single unified GSP approach. No action was taken.

b. SWRCB Interim Plan Updates

General Manager Peltzer and Resources Manager Millwee provided an update on the SWRCB Interim Plan, including an upcoming meeting on July 16, 2026, at the Visalia Convention Center. No action was taken.

6. GSA Projects

i. ERA Economics Tule Subbasin Economic Analysis – **Action Item** – *Attachment*

Manager Millwee reviewed the staff report after discussion, Director DeGroot offered the following motion:

"I move to direct staff to continue participating in the ERA Economics Tule Subbasin Economic Analysis at a cost not to exceed approximately \$22,666.67, subject to future cost reductions should additional GSAs participate."

The motion was seconded by Director Westbrook and adopted with unanimous vote.

Pixley Irrigation District Open Session Items

7. Water Resources

a. Resources Manager Water Update - Current Declaration/Water Supply

i. Monthly Water Delivery Report – *Attachment*

General Manager Peltzer reviewed the Monthly Water Delivery Report. Also reported was the Friant Class 1 Allocation, currently at 100%.

ii. Current Water Run/Rates

General Manager Peltzer reviewed the water run. No action was taken.

iii. CVC Water Deliveries

General Manager Peltzer updated the Board on the CVC allocation, currently at 20%. No action was taken.

b. Water Deposit Policy – **Action Item** – *Attachment*

General Manager Peltzer reviewed the written staff report, after discussion, Director Schott offered the following motion:

"I move approval of the 2026 Revised Pixley ID Deposit Requirement for Water Deliveries Policy."

The motion was seconded by Director Westbrook and adopted by unanimous vote.

8. District Operations

a. Operations Manager Update

i. Construction/Operations/Maintenance

Operations Manager Domondon reviewed construction projects, canal maintenance activities, safety meetings, Tea Pot Dome, Pioneer, and Vandalia.

ii. Cal Trans Hwy 190/Rd 208

Operations Manager Domondon provided an update on the Cal Trans Hwy 190/Rd 208 project. No action was taken.

9. District Administration

a. General Administration Items

i. 2027 Initial Draft Budget Review and 2026-2027 District Assessment – Review and Adoption – Resolution 2026-7-2 Setting 2026-2027 Assessments and Authorizing Collection through Tulare County Property Tax Collector – **Action Item** – *Attachment*

General Manager Peltzer reviewed the written staff memo, after discussion, Director DeGroot offered the following motion:

“I make a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2026-7-2, levying the 2026 annual assessment at \$189.80 per acre, authorizing the inclusion of delinquent water and other service charges in the annual assessment, and directing staff to take all actions necessary to collect the assessment in accordance with the California Water Code.”

The motion was seconded by Director Westbrook and adopted by unanimous vote.

ii. Financial Statements – **Action Item**

Controller Greenall reviewed the June financial reports. On motion by Director DeGroot, seconded by Director Westbrook, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the financial report and placed on file.

iii. Accounts Payable – **Action Item** – *Attachment*

1. Approve the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of May bills.

The Board reviewed the June paid bills. On motion by Director Parreira, seconded by Director DeGroot, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the May paid bills.

10. Friant Water Authority

a. Friant Kern Canal General and O&M activity updates

General Manager Peltzer updated the Board on the efforts of the Friant Water

Authority Staff to combat the spread of Golden Mussels, as well as the announcement of \$200 million in non-reimbursable funding allocated to finish Phase 1 and the start of Phase 2 of the Middle Reach Capacity Correction Project.

Adjourn to Closed Session sitting as the Pixley ID GSA Governing Body

2. GSA Closed Session Items.

a. Litigation

- i. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(b): (one potential matter)
- ii. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of § 54956.9) (two cases)
 1. E.W. Merritt Farms v. Pixley Irrigation District GSA et al, T.C. Superior Court Case No: VCU332014
 2. E.W. Merritt Farms v. Pixley Irrigation District GSA et al, T.C. Superior Court Case No: VCU332724

Adjourn to Closed Session Sitting as the Pixley Irrigation District Board of Directors

11. District Closed Session Items

a. Litigation

- i. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(b): (two potential matters)
- ii. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of § 54956.9): (5 Cases)
 1. NRDC v. United States (SJRRP Settlement)
 2. Rosedale Water Storage District et. al. v. Kern County Water Agency et. al.
 3. Center for Biological Diversity, et. al. v. United States Bureau of Reclamation, et. al.
 4. North Coast Rivers Alliance v. United States Bureau of Reclamation, et. al.
 5. In Re Hundal, Parvinder S. and Amerjit, Hundal Farms, Inc. et al, (Bankruptcy) ED Cal. Case Nos. 26-12349, -12348, -12350, -12351.
- b. Real Property – Real property negotiations and related matters in accordance with Government Code Section 54957 (Brown Act).
 - i. Water Contract Transactions
Description of Property: CVP contract water
Agency Negotiator: Alex Peltzer, General Manager
Under Negotiations: Terms and Conditions of Water Purchase



ii. Water Contract Transactions

Description of Property: CVP contract water

Agency Negotiator: Alex Peltzer, General Manager

Under Negotiations: Terms and Conditions of Water Purchase

No reportable action.

12. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. by President Junio.

CERTIFICATION: THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE ORIGINAL AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING AND GROUND SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY WAS POSTED AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE BY 9 AM, A JULY 6, 2026.

IF ANYONE WANTS COPIES OF ANY OF THE REFERENCED BOARD MATERIALS THEY MAY CONTACT THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, CINTHIA CANALES AT 559-686-4716 OR BY EMAIL CCANALES@LTRID.ORG

Respectfully Submitted,


Alex Peltzer
Board Secretary