

**Minutes of Special Meeting
 Board of Directors
 El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1
 (EPCWID1)
 May 24, 2021**

DIRECTORS PRESENT	EMPLOYEES PRESENT
Johnny Stubbs, President (via zoom)	Jesus Reyes, General Manager
Art Ivey, Vice-President	Robert Rios, Water Master
Larry Ceballos, Secretary	Lisa Aguilar, Chief Administrative Officer
George Brooks, Assistant Secretary	Sharon Atilano, Engineering Assistant
Miguel Teran, Director	
LEGAL COUNSEL	
Maria O'Brien Attorney At Law (via zoom)	GUESTS
Renea Hicks, Attorney At Law (via zoom)	
DISTRICT ENGINEER	
Dr. Al Blair, District Engineer (via zoom)	

1. Call to order and establishment of a quorum.

There being a quorum of Directors present, the meeting was called to order by President Johnny Stubbs at 9:06 a.m., and the Directors then proceeded to consider the following.

2. Welcome of guests. No action was taken on this item.
3. Changes to the 2008 Operating Agreement Operations Manual in regard to allocation charges to Districts related to End-of-Year accounting of Mexico's diversions.

After a motion by Art Ivey, seconded by Larry Ceballos, duly considered and carried by unanimous vote of the Board the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED: (as shown in full on the attached exhibit).

4. Changes to the 2008 Operating Agreement Operations Manual in regard to allocation charges to EPCWID related to Project water captured by the City of El Paso Canutillo Well Field and other non-agricultural pumping in Mesilla Valley, Texas

After a motion by Art Ivey, seconded by Miguel Teran, duly considered and carried by unanimous vote of the Board the following resolution was adopted:


RESOLVED: (as shown in full on the attached exhibit).

Any or all of the items shown on the attached Closed Meeting Agenda.

The Board then entered into a closed session at 9:11 a.m. regarding the items to be considered in closed session as shown on the Notice of Public Meeting. The Board subsequently returned to the open session at 9:45 a.m. with no action having been taken in the closed session.

5. **Adjournment.** On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the Board Meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

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Larry Ceballos, Secretary

**El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 - Resolution - May 24, 2021
Regarding Rio Grande Project (RGP) Operations Manual Changes to Section 4.9**

Whereas, the matter of revisions to the RGP Operations Manual to address accounting matters of importance regarding RGP Operations and deliveries to Mexico came before the El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 (EPCWID) Board of Directors for consideration and approval at its special meeting, and

Whereas, such matters were appropriately designated on the Agenda for the Board of Directors' meeting, authorizing the Board of Directors to consider and take action on the proposed revisions, and

Whereas, the Board of Directors, having considered the matters presented, agrees that revisions are necessary to properly address them.

Now therefore, EPCWID's Board of Directors hereby adopts the changes to the RGP 2008 Operating Agreement Operations Manual Section 4.9 recommend in the attached as recommend by the Rio Grande Project Allocation Committee in the attached RGP Allocation Committee Technical Memorandum dated March 7, 2021, specifically conditioned, however, on approval of the same proposed changes by Elephant Butte Irrigation District's Boards of Directors and by the United States Bureau of Reclamation Regional Director for Interior Region 7: Upper Colorado Basin. This Resolution is not effective unless and until such specified approvals are given, and this conditional approval by EPCWID's Board of Directors is withdrawn, without the necessity of further Board action, if such approvals by both of the two other entities is not obtained.

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Dated: 5-24-2021

Art Ivey, Vice President

as authorized by the Board and its President Johnny Stubbs

Attest:



Dated: 5-24-2021

Larry Caballos, Secretary

El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 - Resolution of May 24, 2021
Regarding Rio Grande Project (RGP) Allocation Charges for Project Water Captured by Canutillo Well Field (CWF) Groundwater Pumping

Whereas, the 2008 Operating Agreement (2008 OA) requires that El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 (EPCWID) allocation charges include the amount of RGP Water captured directly from the Rio Grande by groundwater pumping from the Canutillo Well Field by the City of El Paso;

Whereas, the 2008 OA has no requirement that EPCWID's allocation charges include the amount of RGP Water captured directly from irrigation return or drainage flow by groundwater pumping from the Canutillo Well Field by the City of El Paso;

Whereas, Technical Memorandum No. 4, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is the technical information required under Section 6 of the RGP Operations Manual regarding the changes to the manual proposed herein for adoption;

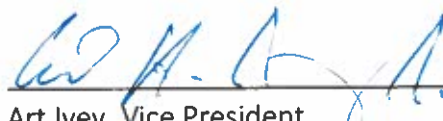
Whereas, Technical Memorandum No. 5, attached hereto as Exhibit B, estimates the amount of groundwater pumping and surface water deliveries in the Rincon and Mesilla Valleys of New Mexico and the Mesilla Valley of Texas during the time periods from 1951 through 1978 and 2008 through 2017;

Whereas, Technical Memorandum No. 6, attached hereto as Exhibit C, contains the Allocation Committee Members' recommended changes to the 2008 OA Operations Manual; and

Whereas, Technical Memorandum No. 7, attached hereto as Exhibit D, estimates the amount of groundwater pumping in the Mesilla Aquifer for Domestic, Commercial, Municipal, and Industrial (DCMI) uses other than the City of El Paso uses.

Now therefore, EPCWID's Board of Directors hereby approves Exhibits A, B, C, and D and approves adoption of the proposed changes to the RGP 2008 Operating Agreement Operations Manual as shown in Exhibit C, specifically conditioned, however, on approval of the same proposed changes by Elephant Butte Irrigation District's Boards of Directors and by the United States Bureau of Reclamation Regional Director for Interior Region 7: Upper Colorado Basin. This Resolution is not effective unless and until such specified approvals are given, and this conditional approval by EPCWID's Board of Directors is withdrawn, without the necessity of further Board action, if such approvals by both of the two other entities is not obtained.

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 _____ Dated: 5-24-2021
Art Ivey, Vice President
as authorized by the Board and its President Johnny Stubbs

Attest:

 _____ Dated: 5-24-2021
Larry Caballos, Secretary