JPA Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Kern Non-Districted Land Authority (KNDLA)
Monday, April 27, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES PRESENT

Scott Spitzer, Arvin Edison
Amrit Mangat, Buena Vista
David Halopoff, Cawelo
Wes Shyrock, KCWA ID4
Kevin Antongiovanni, Kern Delta
Andrew Hart, Kern Tulare
Dave Hampton, North Kern
Jeff Siemens, Olcese
Royce Fast, Pioneer
Barry Watts, Rosedale
Dan Waterhouse, Semitropic
Kris Lawrence, Shafter-Wasco
Dolores Salgado, Tejon Castaic
Gary Morris, West Kern Water District
Michael Blaine, Wheeler Ridge
Debbie Wise
Devon Yurosek

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES BY TELECONFERENCE

Chad Hathaway, Eastside
Derek Yurosek, Arvin-Edison

OTHERS PRESENT/ PARTICIPATING

Jenny Holtermann, KNDLA Executive Director
Rachelle Echeverria, RRBWSD
Michelle Anderson
Dan Bartel
Taylor Blakslee
Dan Raytis
Steve Teglia
Trent Taylor
Kris Lawrence
David Hampton
Dave Halopoff
Lauren Bauer

OTHERS VIRTUAL

Alan Doud
Alanna Goodell
David Cameron
Don Wright
Doug Gosling
Greg Hammett
Kate Zenger
Lois Henry
Morgan Campbell
Sheridan Nicholas
Skye Grass
Steve Torigiani
Tim Ashlock
Valerie Kincaid, Paris Kincaid Wasiewski

1. **Roll Call**
   Chairman Watts called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. after confirming the presence of a quorum, as required by the JPA Agreement.
2. **Flag Salute**
   Completed.
3. **Public Input**
   Don Wright noted that he may be preparing a report for the meeting.
4. **Approval of Minutes**
   a. A motion was made by Director Morris and seconded by Director Waterhouse to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of March 23, 2026. Directors Salgado, Goff, Spitzer, and Blaine abstained. The motion carried.

5. **Financial Report**
   a. **Financial Report & Accounts Payable**
      Ms. Holtermann reviewed the February 2026 deposits and monthly bills. A motion was made by Director Waterhouse and seconded by Director Hart to approve the February 2026 financial report and authorize payment of disbursements as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.
      Ms. Holtermann also reviewed the March 2026 deposits and monthly bills. A motion was made by Director Hart and seconded by Director Fast to approve the March 2026 financial report and authorize payment of disbursements as presented. The motion was carried unanimously.
6. **Administration**
   a. **Executive Director Report.**
      Ms. Holtermann reported on administrative and coordination activities, including work with Provost & Pritchard on GIS development, well monitoring, and addressing data gaps, as well as ongoing Land IQ review and demand management coordination.
      She also noted preparation of Board materials, Form 700 and audit coordination, financial administration, and updates from Kern Subbasin SGMA meetings, including plan updates, well mitigation progress, outreach efforts, well permitting coordination with Kern County, EWMA Water District formation, and the Annual Report submittal.
   b. **Demand Management Update**
      Ms. Holtermann reported that Demand Management Ad Hoc Committee meetings are ongoing, and staff are working with Provost & Pritchard in the information-gathering phase of developing the demand management plan, including evaluating potential alternatives and reviewing approaches used by other districts.
   c. **May/June Meeting Dates**
      Ms. Holtermann discussed potential adjustments to the May and June regular board meeting schedule due to the Memorial Day holiday. Ms. Holtermann proposed holding one special meeting on June 15. A motion to approve the proposed meeting date was made by Director Salgado and seconded by Director Wise.
7. **DWR Grant Administration**
   a. **Report on DWR Grant Administration**
      No report was provided.
8. **County of Kern Participation**
   a. **Kern County Participation Ad hoc Committee Report**
      No report was provided. Director Fast recommended removing this item from future agendas.
9. **Legal**
   a. **Statewide Update**
      Ms. Kincaid reported on statewide SGMA updates, including DWR's ongoing work on interconnected surface water BMPs and upcoming meetings on subsidence BMP guidance and modeling. She also noted a DWR workshop on Proposition 1 funding scheduled for Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

      Ms. Kincaid further reported that the State Water Resources Board recently returned the Delta-Mendota Subbasin to DWR jurisdiction. Of the basins previously under state intervention, four have returned to DWR oversight, two remain in probation, and one remains in intervention.

10. **New Business**
    None.
11. **Correspondence**
    The Board received comments from EWMA representative, Taylor Blakslee, regarding a letter submitted by KTWD to DWR expressing concerns about EWMA's progress toward sustainability. Mr. Blakslee and counsel Dan Raytis stated EWMA has been a participant in all Subbasin coordination efforts, and they are working toward district formation to implement projects and demand management. KTWD representatives, Director Hart, and Ms. Yap maintained that EWMA can implement such actions through KNDLA and indicated they would protest the formation of a new district.
12. **Closed Session**
    The Board entered closed session at 2:44 PM and reconvened the open session at 3:34 PM. No reportable action was taken.
13. **Adjournment**
    A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Director Fast and seconded by Director Salgado. The meeting adjourned at 3:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Holtermann