

**QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
May 5, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.
8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO 81101
And by Zoom/Teleconference**

Present: Karla Shriver, President; Eric Hinton, Vice-President; Scot Schaefer, Secretary/Treasurer; Gerald Ziegler, BOM; Michael Schaefer, BOM; Harold Stoeber, BOM; Mark Deacon, BOM; and, Greg Higel, Ex-Officio.

Staff and Consultants: Pete Ampe, and Arthur Sayre, Hill & Robbins P.C.; Angelo Bellah, Program Manager; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Wylie Keller, Water Resource Specialist; Kylie Gregg, Office Manager; Michael Carson, Database Administrator; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Ryan Unterreiner, Jessica Valdez, Deb Sarason.

Meeting Called to Order

President Shriver called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda

President Shriver asked for amendments or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Scot Schaefer to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Michael Schaefer and unanimously approved.

Approval of the Minutes

President Shriver asked for approval of the following minutes:

- February 11, 2026-Annual Meeting
- February 11, 2026-Executive Session
- April 13, 2026-Special Meeting

A motion was made by Eric Hinton to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mark Deacon and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Shriver asked for public comment. There was none.

Disclosure of Potential Conflicts of Interest

President Shriver asked for disclosure of potential conflicts of interest. Pete Ampe explained the purpose and procedure of the disclosure, and asked the Board to list the water rights they have personal interest in.

Karla Shriver: groundwater, Centennial Ditch, Lariat Ditch, Commonwealth/Empire Ditch.

Eric Hinton: groundwater, Horner, Star Ditch, Piedra, Monte Vista Canal.

Michael Schaefer: groundwater, Piedra, Monte Vista Canal, Consaul.

Harold Stoeber: groundwater, Lariat.

Scot Schaefer: groundwater, Anderson Ditch, Rio Grande San Luis Ditch.

Mark Deacon: groundwater, Lariat, Monte Vista Canal, Rio Grande No. 1, Rio Grande No. 4, James McCleary.

Gerald Zeigler: groundwater, Commonwealth, Centennial.

Attorney's Report

President Shriver asked for the Attorney's report. Pete Ampe reported all Subdistrict Annual Replacement Plans (ARP) had been filed and approved. He explained the scramble that occurred due to the Phase 7 Model. Mr. Ampe highlighted the challenge filed by a Diamond Springs group and a challenge of the implementation of response functions filed by the District. He gave an update on the settlement agreement worked out by the states in the Texas vs New Mexico Colorado case and the Subdistrict No. 1 Plan of Water Management (POWM) No. 4 trial start date. Mr. Ampe reported on the City of Alamosa case and how it impacts the San Luis Valley. He updated the Board on the SWAG augmentation plan trial and potential settlement.

Engineer's Report

President Shriver asked for the Engineer's report. Clinton Phillips was not in attendance, Angelo Bellah presented the Map of the San Luis Valley unconfined aquifer storage study area map. He went over the

change in the unconfined aquifer storage study. Mr. Bellah provided the change for March 2026, change between March 2025 & 2026, current aquifer level, current five (5) year average and the acre feet needed to get to the -400,000 level. He presented the change in unconfined aquifer storage study graph, went over the overall study period change and five (5) year running average.

Program Manager's Report

President Shriver asked for the Program Manager's report.

- **Financial Report**

Angelo Bellah went over the formation costs, remaining amount to be reimbursed and expenses paid by the District since formation. He presented the Balance Sheet and highlighted the equity and total liabilities. Mr. Bellah presented the Profit and Loss Statement. He went over the total expenses, net income, Kylie Gregg's notes and the assets held by the District on behalf of Subdistrict No. 2.

A motion was made by Michael Schaefer to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Scot Schaefer and unanimously approved.

Mr. Bellah provided a list of the fixed assets and gave a water accounting and portfolio update. Deb Sarason explained the water district 20 daily sheet and the purpose of the added information.

- **Update on 2026 Annual Replacement Plan and Operations**

Angelo Bellah gave an update on the WCGPD project, Twin Pines Ranch water rights, and the SLVIWO's Taos Valley No. 3 SWSP. Discussion was held on the goal and location of the measuring device on Williams Creek.

Review and Possible Action on RGWCD Investment Policy

President Shriver asked for review and possible action on RGWCD Investment Policy. Angelo Bellah reminded the Board of the overview he provided at the last meeting regarding investment opportunities. Kylie Gregg reported on the minimal risks associated with investing with CSAFE and COLOTRUST. She described the operations similar to a money market with higher yields.

A motion was made by Eric Hinton to approve the CSAFE and COLOTRUST Resolutions. The motion was seconded by Scot Schaefer and unanimously approved.

Direction to Staff

President Shriver asked for direction to staff. Staff was directed to research the investment opportunities further and provide the Board with possible recommendations.

New Business

President Shriver asked for new business.

- **Upcoming Rio Grande Basin Roundtable discussing CWCB's No & Low Regret Strategy**

Angelo Bellah reminded the Board of the overview he provided at the last meeting regarding the CWCB's No & Low Regret Strategy. He provided the next Roundtable meeting date and highlighted what would be discussed. Mr. Bellah encouraged the Board to attend and participate. President Shriver described the importance of staying involved and informed.

- **RGWCD Staffing Update**

Angelo Bellah gave an update on the hiring process of the Well Technician. He also announced he would be leaving the District and his last day would be July 24, 2026.

Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting was scheduled for August 4, 2026 and was changed to August 11, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.


President


Secretary/Treasurer

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2

A resolution authorizing the Rio Grande Water Conservation District's ("District") Special Improvement District No. 2 ("Subdistrict") to join with other local governments as a Participant in the Colorado Surplus Asset Fund Trust ("CSAFE") to pool funds for investment.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of C.R.S. Section 24-75-601 and 701, et seq., as amended and C.R.S. 24-75-702, et seq. as amended, any local government entity (including cities, towns, school districts, special districts, counties or political subdivisions of the state) is authorized to pool any moneys in its treasury, which are currently surplus funds and not immediately required to be disbursed, with similar moneys from other local government entities, in order for these entities to take advantage of short-term investments and maximize net interest earnings. CSAFE is formed as a common law trust under the laws of the state of Colorado.

WHEREAS, the District has adopted an Investment Policy that permits the District, including, its special improvement districts ("Subdistricts"), to pool moneys in treasury that are not immediately required to be disbursed with the same such moneys in the treasury of any other local government in order to take advantage of short-term investments and maximize net interest earnings consistent with and pursuant to such Investment Policy.

WHEREAS, the Subdistrict desires to participate in CSAFE formed in accordance with the aforesaid statutes, in order to pool its surplus funds with other local government entities.

WHEREAS, the Subdistrict has passed, by majority vote the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Managers of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District's Special Improvement No. 2 that:

The Subdistrict has reviewed C.R.S. Section 24-75-601, as amended and C.R.S. Section 24-75-701, et seq., as amended, of the Colorado Revised Statutes and the merits of investing in a trust as permitted by C.R.S. Section 24-75-601, as amended and C.R.S. Section 24-75-701, et seq. as amended, including the trust's liquidity, risk diversification, flexibility, convenience and cost compared to the alternative direct purchase of comparable investments and finds it is in the best interest of the local government entity and therefore hereby approves and adopts this Resolution, along with other local government entities in the trust for the purpose of pooling surplus funds. The terms of the above-mentioned trust indenture shall be incorporated herein by this reference and a copy filed with the minutes of the meeting at which warranties, either expressed or implied, are part of this agreement between CSAFE and the District unless as set forth in the Indenture of Trust, but that CSAFE shall use its best efforts in conjunction with the District to accomplish these goals.

The Subdistrict is liable for all checks written on its account, authorized or unauthorized. The Subdistrict should implement proper security procedures to safeguard the checks for each account. CSAFE does not guarantee the prevention of fraud or theft from a District account.

The Authorized Signatories for the Rio Grande Water Conservation District Special Improvement District are those persons who hold the positions of General Manager, Deputy General Manager, Program Manager, Subdistrict President, Subdistrict Vice-President, and Subdistrict Secretary/Treasurer. The current persons holding those positions are those persons listed in the Banking Resolution attached hereto and incorporated herein whom are the approved staff and Board Officers empowered to invest funds of the Participant or his/her successor in function, are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Indenture of Trust and any other documents necessary to establish an account with CSAFE. The Authorized Signatories are hereby designated the "Treasurer" as that term is defined in the Indenture of Trust and are therefore authorized to invest money from the Participants' treasury, from time to time, which are not immediately required to be disbursed, by purchasing shares of CSAFE with those available funds and is authorized to redeem, from time to time, part or all of those shares as funds are needed for other purposes.

The Authorized Signatories may be changed from time to time by written notice to CSAFE.

Any investment in CSAFE must be consistent with and pursuant to the District Investment Policy.

Adopted, this ____ day of _____, 2026



Karla Shriver, President

ATTEST: 
Scot Schaefer, Secretary/Treasurer

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2

A resolution authorizing the Rio Grande Water Conservation District's ("District") Special Improvement District No. 2 ("Subdistrict") to join with other local governments as a Participant in the Colorado Local Government Liquid Asset Trust (the "Trust") to pool funds for investment.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Part 7, Article 24 (C.R.S.), it is lawful for any local government to pool any moneys in its treasury that are not immediately required to be disbursed with the same such moneys in the treasury of any other local government in order to take advantage of short-term investments and maximize net interest earnings; and

WHEREAS, the District has adopted an Investment Policy that permits the District, including, its special improvement districts ("Subdistricts"), to pool moneys in treasury that are not immediately required to be disbursed with the same such moneys in the treasury of any other local government in order to take advantage of short-term investments and maximize net interest earnings consistent with and pursuant to such Investment Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Trust is a statutory trust formed under the laws of the state of Colorado in accordance with the provisions of Parts 6 and 7, Article 24 and Articles 10.5 and 47 of Title 11 of the Colorado Revised Statutes regarding the investing, pooling for investment, and protection of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the Subdistrict desires to become a Participant in the Trust.

RESOLUTION

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Managers of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District's Special Improvement No. 2 that:

1) Rio Grande Water Conservation District's Special Improvement No. 2 hereby approves, adopts, and thereby joins as a Participant with other local governments pursuant to Part 7, Article 75, Title 24 of the Colorado Revised Statutes that certain Amended and Restated Indenture of Trust entitled the Colorado Liquid Government Asset Trust dated May 1, 2021 as amended from time to time, the terms of which are incorporated herein by this reference and a copy of which shall be filed with the minutes of the meeting at which this Resolution was adopted; and

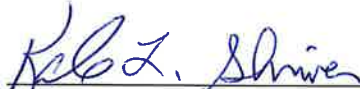
2) The Designee and Authorized Signatories are those persons who hold the positions of General Manager (Cleave Simpson), Deputy General Manager (Amber Pacheco), Program Manager (Angelo Bellah), Subdistrict President (Karla Shriver), Subdistrict Vice-President (Eric Hinton), and Subdistrict Secretary/Treasurer (Scot Schaefer). The current persons holding those positions are listed on the Trust Registration Form attached hereto and incorporated herein. The

Authorized Signatories are authorized by the Participant to direct the investment of such Participants' investment funds.

3) The Designee and Authorized Signatories may be changed from time to time by written notice to COLOTRUST; and

4) The Trust currently has three investment portfolios COLOTRUST PRIME, COLOTRUST PLUS+, and COLOTRUST EDGE. Prior to investing in any of the portfolios offered by the Trust, Participants are encouraged to review the COLOTRUST Information Statements and Investment Policies for each portfolio. Any investments in such portfolios must be consistent with and pursuant to the District Investment Policy.

Adopted, this ____ day of _____, 2026



Karla Shriver, President

ATTEST: 

Scot Shaefer, Secretary/Treasurer

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT
DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE**

*(To Affirm the Resolution to Apply for a Loan from the
Colorado Water Conservation Board)*

R E C I T A L S

WHEREAS, the Rio Grande Water Conservation District was created pursuant to section 37-48-102, C.R.S.; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 37-48-108, C.R.S., the Rio Grande Water Conservation District is authorized to establish special improvement districts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the request of certain water users in the Rio Grande Alluvium Response Area and section 37-48-123, the District filed a Petition to establish Special Improvement District No. 2 of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District ("Subdistrict No. 2") in the District Court, Rio Grande and Alamosa Counties, and the District approved said petition on March 1, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, Subdistrict No. 2 as a local government entity is authorized to establish a water enterprise pursuant to Article 45.1 of Title 37 of the Colorado Revised Statutes and Subdistrict No. 2 has established such enterprise; and,

WHEREAS, the Enterprise is authorized to borrow money and incur indebtedness pursuant to section 37-48-105(1)(c), C.R.S.; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Managers of Subdistrict No. 2 previously directed Enterprise staff and consultants to pursue and apply for a loan from the Colorado Water Conservation Board in the amount of two million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$2,250,000.00); and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Managers, after consultation with Enterprise Staff and consultants determined its current fee structure and revenue is sufficient to meet the repayment terms of such a loan; and,

WHEREAS, Enterprise staff and consultants did apply for such loan and such loan application was approved by the Colorado Water Conservation Board; and,

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to memorialize said previous request, application, and approval in a written Resolution.

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of the Enterprise that:

1. The Board has previously authorized Enterprise staff and consultants to request a loan in the amount of two million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$2,250,000.00); and,
2. The Board hereby accepts the terms of said loan as provided by the Colorado Water Conservation Board and authorizes the acceptance of the loan on behalf of the Enterprise.

RESOLVED this 5th day of May, 2026, at the office of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District, 8805 Independence Way, Alamosa, CO.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF MANAGERS SPECIAL
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 2 OF THE
RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT WATER ACTIVITY
ENTERPRISE


Secretary


President