

**Utah Board of Water Resources**  
**Board Meeting**  
August 15, 2024  
1:00 PM  
Department of Natural Resources  
1594 W. North Temple  
Salt Lake City, UT 84114

VICE CHAIR MIKE DAVIS called the meeting to order at 1:02 PM and introduced himself. Board members present and online did the same.

CANDICE HASENYAGER introduced the staff and those online.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

DANA VAN HORN moved to approve the meeting minutes from June 20, 2024. BLAINE IPSON seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

<b><u>Project #</u></b>	<b><u>Applicant</u></b>	<b><u>County</u></b>	<b><u>Project Manager</u></b>
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**FEASIBILITY REPORTS:**

<b>RL593</b>	<b>Heber City</b>	<b>Wasatch</b>	<b>Brad Caldwell</b>
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BRAD CALDWELL presented the report. RANDY CROZIER moved the Board authorize 85% of the project cost, up to \$3,032,000, and that the bonded indebtedness be returned at 0% interest over 25 years with annual payments of approximately \$127,000 (including reserves). DANA VAN HORN seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**COMMITTAL OF FUNDS:**

<b>RC068</b>	<b>Twin Creeks Special Service District (Lindsay DS)</b>	<b>Wasatch</b>	<b>Ethan Stayner</b>
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ETHAN STAYNER presented the report. MAX COVEY expressed appreciation to Dam Safety, Everett, Tom and Ethan for their help, and answered the Board's question about their 20% cost share. KYLE STEPHENS moved the Board commit 80% of the project cost, up to \$488,000, as a Dam Safety Grant. BLAINE IPSON seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

<b>RE474</b>	<b>Davis &amp; Weber Counties Canal Company</b>	<b>Davis</b>	<b>Tom Cox</b>
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ANNY BAYNARD presented the report. SCOTT PAXMAN thanked the Board and the Division of Water Resources for all their help with many projects. KYLE STEPHENS moved the Board commit 52.9% of the project cost, up to \$2,380,000, and that the project be purchased at 2.1% interest over 30 years, with annual payments of approximately \$107,800. CHARLES HOLMGREN seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**RE476 King Irrigation Company**

**Cache**

**Ethan Stayner**

ETHAN STAYNER presented the report, highlighting the additional economic analysis done at the Board's request, which modified the repayment schedule from what was authorized. CHARLES HOLMGREN moved the Board commit 28.4% of the project cost, up to \$960,000, and that the project be purchased at 0% interest over 25 years, with annual payments of approximately \$38,400. KYLE STEPHENS seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**RM074 Lehi City**

**Utah Tom Cox**

ANN BAYNARD presented the report. DEAN LUNDELL told the Board they are moving quickly to get the meters all installed and appreciate the Board's help. BLAINE IPSON moved the Board commit 25.5% of the project cost, up to \$3,643,000, and that the bonded indebtedness be returned at 1% interest over 15 years with annual payments of approximately \$283,000 (includes reserves). BRIAN STEED seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**RM093 Bloomington Water Company**

**Washington**

**Ben Marett**

BEN MARETT presented the report. SPENCER JONES moved the Board commit 25.5% of the project cost, up to \$365,000, and that the project be purchased at 1% interest over 15 years, with annual payments of approximately \$26,400. RANDY CROZIER seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**SPECIAL ITEMS:**

**RM100 Saratoga Springs City (Change of Scope) Utah Ben Marett**

BEN MARETT presented the report. OWEN JACKSON expressed his appreciation. The Board and Applicant discussed the life expectancy of the pond liners. DANA VAN HORN move the Board approve the change in project scope and allow the \$2,000,000 Water Conservation Grant to be used for the new projects as requested by the Applicant. BRIAN STEED seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**WITHDRAWALS:**

**RL587 Millville City**

**Cache**

**Marisa Egbert**

CHARLES HOLMGREN moved that RL587 be withdrawn from further consideration. KYLE STEPHENS seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**RM099 Ashley Central Irrigation Company**

**Uintah**

**Ben Marett**

CHARLES HOLMGREN moved that RM099 be withdrawn from further consideration. RANDY CROZIER seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** DANA VAN HORN moved to approve the June 20, 2024, minutes. BRIAN STEED seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**WATER BUDGET IN THE GREAT SALT LAKE BASIN:**

LEILA AHMADI, PhD - Water Resources Engineer presented the report.

**WATER RIGHTS DAM SAFETY OVERVIEW:**

TERESA WILHELMOSEN, State Engineer and Director of the Division of Water Rights and EVERETT TAYLOR, Assistant State Engineer - Dam Safety provided information about- their Division's Dam Safety program.

**LAKE POWELL PIPELINE UPDATE AND CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUEST:**

ERIC DIXON, P.E. - Lake Powell Pipeline Project Manager presented the report to the Board. SPENCER JONES moved the Board amend the contract with the Bureau of Reclamation for one additional year, until September 30, 2025, to continue the work in the Task Order. No additional funds will be provided for this amendment. CHARLES HOLMGREN seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

CANDICE HASENYAGER provided the following information to the Board.

RANDY STAKER and RUSS BARRUS are retiring tomorrow. Candice expressed her appreciation and thanked them for all of their hard work over the years. MARTY BUSHMAN will be retiring in October from the Attorney General's Office. Candice summarized her presentations that she will be giving at the interim meetings to the legislature. She will be jointly presenting with Scott Paxman, chair of the State Watershed Council, and the other presentation is on the dam safety program and will present with Teresa Wilhelmsen. She is working with staff preparing our budget requests for the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget. An update on HB280, we are currently in the process of an existing funding study, and have compiled a work group for the Fee Study, and the next big thing in September is for relevant agencies to provide a status of funds to the Water Development Coordinating Council. She expressed that Water Resources is also working a lot on the Great Salt Lake Basin integrated plan right now. Not only do we have ongoing modeling efforts. But also through the work plan process we identified a number of

gaps and one of those is climate. We contracted with the University of Utah to do some climate modeling. That has been started and will continue through 2026. In addition, 8 individual projects have been contracted that will help to inform water management decisions and all sorts of different areas. This last legislative session there was \$22 million dollars provided to Water Resources to provide grants for water infrastructure projects. Eric Dixon and a team put together an application period where we received 44 applications for over \$60 million dollars. We evaluated the application and coordinated with the DNR Executive Director Joel Ferry. 18 applicants were selected to receive grants. There was a large variety of projects and studies distributed throughout the state. Our water wise landscaping conversion program had a goal to get a million square feet removed in 2023 and we actually removed 1.6 million square feet. We had over a thousand participants in FY2024. Shout out to all the Water Districts, partners and our staff for running these programs. Our Water Conservation Plans are being reviewed and the feedback is being provided. The final plans are due to us by December 31, 2024.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

BRIAN STEED made the motion to adjourn the meeting. DANA VAN HORN seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 3:10 PM.