

MEETING MINUTES -pending approval
DELTA CONSERVATION DISTRICT BUDGET HEARING
and
DELTA CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING
THURSDAY, June 5, 2025
MILLARD COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE
LOCATION: DELTA, UTAH

ATTENDANCE:

SUPERVISORS: Klint Atkinson, Brandon Anderson, and Troy Davis.

Jared Bryan and Jim Withers are excused.

Clerk: Stacey Lake

Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF): JP Conteras, Maggie Francis

Natural Resource Conservation Services (NRCS): Tyrel Belnap

Millard County – USU Extension: Kalen Taylor

Millard County Commissioner: unable to attend.

Office of Congresswoman Celeste Maloy: Evelyn Warnick

DELTA CD BUDGET HEARING – CALL TO ORDER

Brandon Anderson called the Delta CD Budget Hearing to order at **10:15 a.m.**

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT ACTIONS

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Budget Hearing:

- a) The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed FY26 Budget. After discussion and updates were made, **Klint Atkinson motioned to accept and adopt the Delta Conservation Districts FY26 Budget. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

Klint Atkinson motioned to adjourn the Delta Conservation District Budget Hearing at **10:30 a.m. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

DELTA CD MEETING – CALL TO ORDER

Brandon Anderson called the meeting to order at **10:30 a.m.**

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT ACTIONS

Approval of April 3, 2025, meeting minutes. -Page 2

Approval of May 1, 2025, working meeting minutes. -Page 2

Approval of current financials. -Page 2

Approval of paying the following invoices:

Klint Atkinson, SERA -Supervisor duties, FY25 – Qtr. 4, \$60.85. Check # 1096 -page 2

Brandon Anderson, SERA -Supervisor duties, FY25 – Qtr. 4, \$48.65. Check # 1097 -page 2

Troy Davis, SERA -Supervisor duties, FY25 – Qtr. 4, \$23.35. Check # 1098 -page 2

Jared Bryan, SERA -Supervisor duties, FY25 – Qtr. 4, \$23.28. Check # 1099 -page 2

Jim Withers, SERA -Supervisor duties, FY25 – Qtr. 4, \$23.56. Check # 1100 -page 2

Millard County Chronicle, invoice #4845, legal advertising, \$24.70. Check # 1101 -page 2

Stacey Lake, invoice # 17, for Clerk duties, \$2000. Check # 1102 -page 2

Garett Finlinson, invoice # Society for Range Management Meeting, support education, \$200. Check # 1103 -page 2

Sevier CD, invoice Tree Program, for Tree Program, \$449.39. Check # 1104 -page 2

USU Extension, invoice # 208, for Gopher Abatement Project, \$6127.50. Check # 1105 -page 2

Approval of the use of remaining funds, \$6127.50, for Gopher Abatement Project. -Page 2

Approval of FY25 Scope of Work/Annual Plan of Work. -Page 3

Approval to use SERA to supervisors for FY25, Quarter 4. - Page 3

Approval of ARDL Loan FY25-2 and ratify Klint Atkinson's signature. -Page 4

Approval to use SERA funds for UCC/NACD Tour on June 25-26, 2025. -Page 4

Approval to use SERA funds for the Grasshopper Control Project meeting in Fillmore. -Page 4

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Meeting Minutes

- a) The April 3, 2025, meeting minutes were reviewed. **Troy Davis motioned to accept the April 3, 2025, meeting minutes. Klint Atkinson seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- b) The May 1, 2025, working meeting minutes were reviewed. **Troy Davis motioned to accept the May 1, 2025, meeting minutes. Klint Atkinson seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

Financial:

- a) Current financials were reviewed by the board. **Klint Atkinson motioned to accept the current financials. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- b) The following invoices were reviewed for payment:

- **Klint Atkinson, SERA -Supervisor duties, FY25 – Qtr. 4, \$60.85. Check # 1096**
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Klint Atkinson motioned to accept and pay these invoices. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.

Board Business:

- a) The use of the remaining funds in the FY25 budget discussed by the board. It was agreed to continue using these funds to support the USU Extension and Delta Conservation Districts Gopher Abatement Project. **Klint Atkinson motioned to approve using the remaining budget funds to the Gopher Abatement Project. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- b) FY25, Quarter 4, SERA for supervisors were reviewed. **Klint Atkinson motioned to accept and pay SERA to supervisors for FY25, Quarter 4. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- c) FY26 Scope of Work/Plan of Work was reviewed, discussed, and completed. **Klint Atkinson motioned to approve and accept the FY26 Scope of Work. Troy Davis seconded. Klint Atkinson signed it. Motion approved unanimous.**
- d) Conservationist of the Year. The board discussed nominating Doug Stanworth. Brandon Anderson will talk to Doug about accepting.
- e) Garrett Finlinson from the Delta FFA will attend July's meeting to discuss his Society for Range Management Meeting.
- f) Gopher machines are in good working order.
- g) FY26 Farm Field Day will be in September. Brandon Anderson will contact the school in August.

UDAF Business: JP Conteras

- a) The Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF) is pleased to announce the upcoming Invasive Species Mitigation Weed Control Grant Applications for the 2025-26 seasons. The goal of this program is to allocate funds to projects with a high degree of potential success in the State of Utah. UDAF will be accepting applications beginning on April 1st and will accept submissions up to the end of business day on Friday May 2nd, 2025.
- **Eligible Organizations:** Universities; Cooperative Weed Management Areas (CWMA's); County Weed Boards; Federal or State Agencies; Federal, State, Tribal or Private Landowners; Conservation Districts, nonprofits, and/or other Political Subdivisions.
- **Limit of Requests:** For FY 2025-26, projects will be funded for the current year only, with the possibility of renewing funding for a multi-year project, based on available funds. Funding for projects will begin July 1, 2025, and terminate June 30, 2026.
- UDAF is looking for projects that target high priority species and will reduce the number of outlier populations. The award ceiling for this opportunity is set at \$75,000.00. It is highly recommended that multi-year proposals include a 3-5-year management plan, an extensive monitoring component, solid participating partners, and a strong restoration component.
- **Eligible Activities:**
 - Early detection & rapid response
 - Treating critical acres that protect larger land use areas
 - Monitoring and preventing the spread of small populations and new introductions
 - Monitoring and rehabilitating established infestations
 - Research related to invasive species

- b) The board reviewed FY25-2 ARDL Loan. **Troy Davis motioned to accept ARDL Loan FY25-2 and ratify Klint Atkinson's signature. Brandon Anderson seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- c) The Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF) is announcing the availability of low-interest loans for agricultural producers impacted by drought through the Emergency Disaster Relief Loan (EDRL) program, a subprogram of the Agricultural Resource Development Loan (ARDL) program. Applicants should visit <https://ag.utah.gov/emergency-disaster-relief-loan-program> to review program guidelines and application materials. UDAF encourages all producers to also contact their local USDA Farm Service Agency office to explore other federal drought assistance options. More drought resources are available at: <https://ag.utah.gov/droughtresources>.
- d) Ag VIP program has closed.
- e) The UCC/NACD Tour will be on June 25-26, 2025, in Utah County. **Klint Atkinson motioned to use SERA funds for supervisors who wish to attend. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

UDAF Business: Maggie Francis

- a) Maggie Francis introduced herself to the board. Her contact information was given to all the supervisors.
- b) Maggie introduced the program to help control and eliminate grasshoppers and/or crickets. She discussed how to qualify for the program and how the program works.

NRCS: Tyrel Belnap

- a) Waiting for plans for NRCS
- b) This year's contracts are done.
- c) SFP meetings will be held in Salt Lake City in July. FY26 money is secured.

Commissioner Business: unable to attend.

Extension Service Business: Kalen Taylor

- a) The Gopher Abatement Project is close to being out of money. The board agreed to renew this project.
- b) Livestock shows have been busy.
- c) A meeting will be held in Fillmore soon to discuss the Grasshopper Control program. **Klint Atkinson motioned to use SERA for any supervisor who wishes to attend. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

Office of Congresswoman Celeste Maloy: Evelyn Warnick

- a) Welcome Evelyn Warnick.
Evelyn discussed her job with U.S. Congresswoman Celest Maloy and how they would like to be involved to help.
- b) Congresswoman Celeste Maloy is proud to represent Utah's Second Congressional District on the following Committees and Caucuses:
 - House Committee on Appropriations
 - Vice Chair of the Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies
 - Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies
 - Subcommittee on Legislative Branch
 - House Committee on Natural Resources:
 - Subcommittee on Federal Lands
 - Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries

-Caucuses:

Executive Vice Chair of the Congressional Western Caucus
Vice Chair of the Upper Basin on the Congressional Colorado River Caucus
Co-chair of the Congressional Caucus to End the Youth Vaping Epidemic
Co-Chair of the Delivering Postal Solutions Caucus
Co-Chair of the Bipartisan Wildfire Caucus
Congressional FFA Caucus
Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus
DOGE Caucus

- [U.S. Representative Celeste Maloy](#) Evelyn encouraged everyone to subscribe to receive a weekly newsletter to receive the latest news and updates.

Troy Davis motioned to adjourn the meeting at **11:30 a.m.** Klint Atkinson seconded. Motion approved unanimous.