



Governing Board Meeting

Thursday, February 5, 2026 | 10:00 AM

Meeting Location:

Education Center at Conservation Garden Park
Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District
8275 South 1300 West
West Jordan, UT 84088

In accordance with state statute and the adopted electronic meeting policy, Governing Board members, invited guests, visitors, and other participants may join the meeting virtually using the following access information.

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8015364158?pwd=akoMi4cQBXjpYvqOnvpUEKpFUPnqd3.1&omn=81055515445>

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Note: participants not identified by name by the meeting system software will be asked to identify themselves for the meeting record.

AGENDA

*****Please note: start times for agenda items are approximate.*****

1. Governing Board Welcome, Roll Call & Introductions

~ 10:00 AM

- a. Welcome Jordan River Commission Governing Board Members, and other meeting participants present in person and online.

Governing Board representatives, guests, and visitors, please use this link or QR code to record attendance – [Governing Board Meeting Attendance Record](#)



- b. Introduction of New Governing Board Members & Representatives

1) New Interlocal Member

- a) Utah Fairpark Area Investment & Restoration District – Benn Buys, Executive Director

2) New Representatives

- a) Bluffdale – Councilmember Mackey Smith

- b) Murray – Bruce Holyoak, Alternate

- c) Riverton – Councilmember Alexander Johnson

- d) Sandy – Councilmember Aaron Dekeyzer / Councilmember Marci Houseman, Alternate

- e) Utah Department of Environmental Quality – Candice Hasenyager, Executive Director, Division of Water Quality

- f) Jordan Valley Water Conservancy District – Shazelle Terry, Assistant General Manager / Gordon Batt, Operations Department Manager
- g) Others

2. Public Comments

This is an opportunity for members of the general public to provide comments to the Governing Board. Comments will be limited to two minutes per speaker, and the entire public comment period is limited to ten minutes.

3. Presentations & Discussion

~ 10:15 AM

- a. Central Jordan River Reconnect Master Plan Implementation Coordination & Discussion : Brian Trusty, Principal of Park Operations & Maintenance with PROS Consulting, and Brandon Biederman, Associate Principal and Project Manager with the consulting team from PORT, will lead a discussion about approaches to coordinated park development, management and maintenance related to the “Central Jordan River Reconnect” Regional Park Master Plan for Salt Lake County (<https://www.centraljordanreconnect.com>). This discussion may have broader application to other areas and regional parks and natural lands across the Jordan River Parkway, and the possible roles of the Jordan River Commission or other entities.
- b. Great Salt Lake Sentinel Landscape : Marisa Weinberg, Program Manager and Coordinator for the Great Salt Lake Sentinel Landscape, will share information about this recently designated entity and partnership, which includes over 2.7 million acres in northern Utah related to four military installations—Hill Air Force Base, Camp Williams, Tooele Army Depot, and Little Mountain Test Facility—with a focus on environmental conservation and community resilience in the communities around these facilities (<https://sentinellandscapes.org/landscapes/great-salt-lake>).
- c. Jordan River Storytelling Project with Great Salt Lake Collaborative : Heather May, Director of the Great Salt Lake Collaborative, will provide a report and update on this ongoing project, which was funded in part by a Jordan River Commission Small Grant (<https://greatsaltlakenews.org>).

Notes:

4. Commission Business

~ 11:00 AM

- a. **[Action Item]** Adopt December 4, 2025, Governing Board Meeting Minutes
- b. **[Action Item]** Committee Appointments
 - 1) Executive Committee
 - 2) Technical Advisory Committee
 - 3) Event Advisory Committee
- c. State and Federal Legislative Updates
 - 1) Utah Legislature 2026 General Session (<https://le.utah.gov>)
 - a) SB130 River Restoration Amendments (Sen. L. Fillmore)
 - b) HCR006 Concurrent Resolution Regarding the Utah Housing Strategic Plan (Rep. S. Whyte)
 - c) Other Bills
 - d) Appropriations
 - 2) 119th Congress (<https://www.congress.gov>)
 - a) Transportation Infrastructure Reauthorization for Active/Alternative Transportation
- d. Fiscal Year 2026 Second Quarter Financial Report
- e. Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Proposal

- f. Upcoming Meeting Schedule
 - 1) Thursday, March 5, 2026, 10:00 AM – Jordan River Watershed Council Meeting
 - 2) Thursday, April 2, 2026, 10:00 AM – Governing Board Meeting & Budget Hearing
- g. Annual Utah Open and Public Meetings Act Training : <https://youtu.be/Pr966j67tq4>

Notes:

5. Staff Reports (as time permits) **~ 11:30 AM**

- a. Rachel Turk, Communications & Outreach Manager
- b. Caroline Johnston, Event & Volunteer Coordinator
- c. Jens Ammon, Jordan River Restoration Coordinator

Notes:

6. Director’s Report (as time permits) **~ 11:50 AM**

- a. Commission Staffing
- b. Legislative Initiatives
- c. Grants & Funding
- d. News & Media
- e. Upcoming Meetings, Events & Activities

Notes:

7. Adjourn **~ 12:00 PM**

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Some agenda items are listed as “action items” where specific action is anticipated by the Governing Board and Watershed Council. However, the Governing Board and Watershed Council may also take action on matters related to any agenda item during the meeting, even if not specifically noted as such.

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