

**CENTRAL UTAH WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
TRUTH IN TAXATION PUBLIC HEARING
CROSSROADS SENIOR CENTER, ROOSEVELT, UTAH
VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM
MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2026
6:00 PM**

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Shelley Brennan, Chair	Wade Garner	Jim Riding
Jon Bronson	Steve Hanberg	Jennifer Scott
Kirk Christensen	Marvin Kenison (online)	Randy Vincent
Steve Farrell	Al Mansell	Brad Wells

STAFF PRESENT

Gene Shawcroft, General Manager	Brad Grammer, AVWTP Manager
Lisa Anderson, Executive Assistant	Troy Ovard, Duchesne Area Manager
Rob Moore, General Counsel	Dylan Dastrup, Stillwater Area Manager
Gerard Yates, Deputy General Manager	Jesse Hyde, DVRWTP Manager
Bart Leeflang, Assistant General Manager	
Ric Cantrell, Director of Strategic Engagement	

OTHER ATTENDEES PRESENT (SEE ATTACHED SHEET)

Chair Brennan called the hearing to order at 6:04 PM.

She welcomed attendees and had the Trustees introduce themselves. Chair Brennan explained that the hearing was to receive comments on the proposed tax increase and no other issues would be addressed. She then stated that this was the first of three hearings and then turned the time over to District Assistant General Manager Mike Whimpey.

Mike presented the District's operations, including the Central Utah Project and water treatment plants, and explained the need for the tax increase due to aging infrastructure, wildfire impacts, and necessary capital replacement projects. He shared the District's infrastructure needs, including \$65 million in recent investments and planned capital replacement projects totaling over \$3 million for Heber Valley and \$5 million for Vernal facilities. The proposed tax increase would raise revenue by \$2 million, from \$131 million to \$133 million, representing a 1.5% increase in the tax rate, with the maximum allowable rate being 0.0004, which would raise the District's revenue by \$2 million. Mike also noted that multiple other entities within the District's boundaries are also proposing tax increases.

One public comment was made by Jeff Henderson, Duchesne County, expressing concerns about tax increases, noting his property taxes had risen 52% while his income decreased, and also expressed concern about the cumulative effect of tax increases and suggested exploring budget cuts before implementing new taxes.

Motion made by Al Mansell to adjourn the hearing at 6:29 PM.

The hearing was then adjourned.