# ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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**MEETING AGENDA**
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Orange Cove Irrigation District

July 8, 2026 @ **11:00 A.M.**

Members of the public may directly address the Board of Directors on any item of interest to the public within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction before or during the Board's consideration of the item in accordance with Government Code Section §54954.3 (Brown Act). At the discretion of the District, all items appearing on the agenda, whether expressly listed for action, may be deliberated upon and may be subject to action by the District. The agenda sequence is subject to change.

1) *Call to Order* - D.Brown
2) *Pledge of Allegiance* - D.Brown
3) *Additions / Modifications to Agenda* (Government Code §54950 et seq.) - D.Brown
4) *Public Comment* (Government Code §54854.3) - D.Brown
5) *Minutes* – The Board will review and consider approval of the draft June 12, 2026, Regular Board of Directors meeting minutes. (***Actionable***) - D.Brown
6) *Ratification of Bills* – The Board will review cash flow and consider ratification of warrants paid since the previous Board Meeting. (***Actionable***) - Paine
7) *Monthly Report* – A discussion of on-going District activities including water supply status, water management, water deliveries, hydropower plant operations, **Friant Water Authority activities**, Friant Power Authority activities, revenue, and financial position. ***(Informational)*** - Paine/Clem
8) *Certificate of Sale/Lien* – Resolution 2026-02 – *The* Board will review the list of delinquencies and consider adoption of Resolution 2026-02 authorizing staff to file a Certificate of Sale/Lien for recording with the Recorders office for the respective County of property location (Fresno/Tulare). ***(Actionable)*** **-** Paine
9) *Kings River East GSA* – Proposition 218 – A discussion of KREGSA proposed property-related fee up to $9.93 per acre. ***(Informational)*** - Clem
10) *Closed Session* – Personnel – The Board will go into Closed Session to discuss staff / personnel status and performance. The Board will consider changes in pay for all staff. (***Actionable***) - Clem
11) *Open Session* – The Board will return to Open Session and disclose any reportable action taken during *Closed Session*. (***Informational***) - Clem
12) *Other Items* – Discussion of matters not appearing on the posted agenda (Government Code §54954.2). - *D.*Brown
13) *Adjourn* – The Board will set the time and location for the August 2026 Regular Board meeting. ***(Actionable)*** **-** Clem

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**ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**

**Date:** June 10, 2026 **Time:** 11:09 A.M.

**Location:** District Office, 1130 Park Boulevard, Orange Cove, California

**Attendance**

**Directors Present**

David Brown – Chairman

Arlen Miller – Vice Chairman

Brian Hixson – Director

Andrew Brown – Director

Kevin Orlopp – Director

**Staff Present**

Keith Clem – General Manager

Roger Paine – Controller/Treasurer

**Public Present**

Andrew Hart – Booth Ranches LLC

Matt Caviglia – Landowner

Michael Chavez – Landowner

Bernice Chavez – Landowner

**Meeting Proceedings**

**1) Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Chairman David Brown at 11:09 A.M.

**2) Pledge of Allegiance**

All present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3) Additions / Modifications to Agenda**

Two official modifications were made to the agenda prior to consideration:

Item 11 was reallocated from a Closed Session topic to a Regular Open Session topic.

Item 12 was formally removed from the agenda.

**4) Public Comment**

Landowners Michael Chavez and Bernice Chavez presented a structural hardship request to the Board seeking authorization to purchase water after the established order deadline. This deadline is defined in the District's *Water Rates / Rules & Regulations* under the section titled "First Water Supply Installment" on page 1. The Board advised Mr. and Mrs. Chavez that they would thoroughly review the details of the request and provide a formal response by Friday, June 12th.

**5) Minutes – Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

The Board reviewed the draft minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held on May 13, 2026. It was noted that Item 8 (District Election) required correction to accurately reflect that Director Andrew Brown did not cast a vote, as he was absent from that meeting.

***Action:*** *Upon a motion by Director Hixson, seconded by Director Miller, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as amended.*

**6) Minutes – Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes**

The Board reviewed the draft minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 20, 2026. The roster of "Staff Present" was modified to accurately state that Assistant General Manager Keith Clem did not attend the meeting.

***Action:*** *Upon a motion by Director Hixson, seconded by Director Miller, the Board voted unanimously to approve the special minutes as amended.*

**7) Ratification of Bills**

Treasurer Roger Paine presented a detailed cash flow report comprising receipts and disbursements for the month of May 2026, alongside an analytical review of corporate credit card transactions.

**Receipts ($325,339 total):** Primarily composed of $104,284 for standby assessments (covering both the 2025 and 2026 fiscal periods), $53,120 in water deposits for the 2026 water year, $97,120 in collective power revenue from the Fishwater Power Plant and Friant Power Authority Hydro #1, and $68,781 in contract services rendered to the Tri-Valley Water District for the 2025 water year.

**Disbursements ($477,520 total):** Primarily composed of $209,436 for general district expenses, $176,836 for payroll and related employee expenses, $14,004 for baseline system power costs, and $58,063 for water replenishment purchased directly from the USBR.

**Credit Card Transactions ($7,462 total):** Expended across a variety of operating supplies, materials designated for the district office air conditioning project, and standard recurring operating expenses.

***Action:*** *Following a brief operational discussion, Director Orlopp motioned to ratify the bills as presented.*

*The motion was seconded by Director Andrew Brown and approved by a unanimous vote.*

**8) Monthly Report**

Treasurer Paine and General Manager Clem facilitated a joint informational review of ongoing operational and financial activities for the district:

**Delinquent Standby Charges:** Delinquencies for the initial assessment period of 2026, when combined with historical prior periods, total $5,279.66. The secondary assessment payment for the 2026 cycle is due by the end of June.

**Water Deliveries & Allocations:** In-district water deliveries reached 4,319 acre-feet (af) during May. Yearto- date (YTD) deliveries total 7,135 af, representing 185% of the recent rolling 5-year average. The total remaining available water reserve for the district stands at 30,974 af.

**Hydropower Plants & Operations:** Generation at the Fishwater Power Plant remains highly consistent with the prior two water years, yielding a YTD revenue figure of $75,141. FPA Hydro #2 continues to operate stably post-repair; however, all generated revenue continues to be retained to replenish the plant's dedicated reserve account. FPA Hydro #1 YTD distributions stand at $91,888, outperforming the YTD distributions of each of the preceding six years.

**Investment Portfolio:** More than 99% of the District's liquid investments (allocated across CAMP, LAIF, Cambridge, and Wells Fargo Advisors) are successfully earning an annual yield between 3.77% and 4.5%.

**Operations & Capital Projects:** Competitive quotes have been successfully received and reviewed, and a contractor has been selected to finalize the roof replacement project on the administrative office building. Schedule for the replacement has yet to be determined.

**Friant Board Meeting Summary:** Director Miller provided an overview of core strategic developments discussed at the late-May Friant Water Authority Board Meeting.

- Phase 2A of the middle reach subsidence restoration project will receive full federal funding via the "One Big Beautiful Bill." The overarching San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement Contract was officially granted a 15-year extension.
- The two main goals of the settlement are to restore and maintain fish populations from Friant Dam to the confluence of the Merced Rive and water management to reduce or avoid water supply impacts.  The settlement has required massive infrastructure upgrades (e.g., canal capacity repairs, reverse-flow pump-back facilities). The program also continually balances flow goals with drought conditions and cold-water conservation for salmon incubation in Millerton Lake.

**9) Approval of Staff Assignments for Officers**

The Board initiated a discussion regarding the structural reassignment of officer positions previously held by the late Fergus Morrissey.

***Action:*** *Following deliberation, Director Andrew Brown motioned to assign the Office of the Board Secretary to Roger Paine, and the separate roles of Tax Collector and Assessor to General Manager Keith Clem. The motion was seconded by Director Orlopp and approved unanimously.*

**10) Rules and Regulations**

General Manager Clem communicated constructive feedback received from district water users concerning the district's implementation of late charges on annual water applications. This specifically applies to applications filed past the primary order deadline but prior to the absolute order cutoff (grace period). The Board took no formal action but agreed to review this item comprehensively before the start of the 2027 water year.

**11) Outside Boundary Water Deliveries and District Penalties**

*(Moved from Closed Session to Regular Session)* The Board held an extensive regulatory discussion regarding the proper interpretation of baseline rules defined within the *Water Rates / Rules & Regulations Orange Cove I.D.* specifically regarding the metrics used to determine an estimated volume of water used, lost, or illegally diverted when the district lacks direct meter verification. It was formally determined that historical usage data, active current-year irrigation water orders, intermediate physical meter readings, specific

localized irrigation practices, and historical climate data must all be evaluated concurrently to generate an equitable estimate. No action was taken.

**12) Open Session Reportable Actions**

No business was conducted under this item, as it was formally extracted from the agenda following the reallocation of Item 11 out of Closed Session.

**13) Other Items**

No other items discussed.

**14) Adjournment**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors is officially scheduled for Wednesday, July 8, 2026, to be held at the District Office beginning at 11:00 A.M.

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| Roger Paine, Board Secretary | David Brown, Board President |

ORANGE COVE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION 2026-02
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATES OF LIEN/SALE TO SECURE UNPAID ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS, charges remain unpaid for water or other services provided by Orange Cove Irrigation District to lands in the counties of Tulare and Fresno, State of California in the names of the account holders listed below; and

WHEREAS, Orange Cove Irrigation District has given notice of delinquency to the holders of title of the properties to which such service has been provided, and

WHEREAS, Orange Cove Irrigation District desires to secure the payment of said unpaid accounts by recording certificates of lien or sale pursuant to Water Code Section 25806.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District as follows:

1. Orange Cove Irrigation District claims a lien for unpaid charges from the following customers in the following amounts:

| Name & Address | Amount | Assessor's Parcel Number |
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| | List Attached | |

2. The President and Secretary of the Board are directed to record certificates of lien or sale pursuant to Water Code Section 25806 (a) (2)

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Orange Cove Irrigation District held on July 8, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

David A. Brown, Chairman of the Board of Directors

Roger Paine
Secretary to the Board of Directors