

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FOR RECLAMATION DISTRICT 1608
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2026**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 was called to order at 8:02 a.m. by President Panzer on February 4, 2026, at the law offices of Neumiller & Beardslee, 3121 W. March Lane, Suite 100, Stockton, California.

TRUSTEES PRESENT

MICHAEL PANZER
DAN MacDONNELL
DOTTIE LOFSTROM

OTHERS PRESENT

CHRIS NEUDECK
ANDY PINASCO
JOE BRYSON
ELVIA TRUJILLO
BOB BENTZ

1. Public Comment.

- Bob Bentz commented he noticed a high tide when he was out at the Marina.
- President Panzer noted he had observed several vehicles parked by the pump station. Joe Bryson reported the police stopped at that area and advised the individuals not to park there.

2. Approval of Minutes. Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 3, 2025. The Trustees reviewed the draft minutes and requested deleting the second to the last sentence in Section 11.i. After further review,

It was moved, seconded (D. Lofstrom/D. MacDonnell) and unanimously carried by the Board Trustees of Reclamation District 1608, that the minutes of the December 3, 2025, Regular Board Meeting, be approved with the requested amendment.

3. Financial Report. Review, discuss, and accept financial report. District Secretary Elvia Trujillo presented an oral and written report and included an update on the registered warrants. After review,

It was moved, seconded (D. MacDonnell/D. Lofstrom) and unanimously carried by the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 that the Financial Report presented at the February 4, 2026, meeting be approved.

4. Trustee Compensation. Discuss and Possible Action on Trustee Compensation. Request Direction. Mr. Pinasco discussed Trustee compensation and explained the ordinance process for an increase. The last time there was an increase was in 2023 at \$299.92 per meeting. Direction was given to bring back this item to the March 2026 Board Meeting at \$300.00 per meeting.

5. **Levee Standard Ordinance.** Discussion related to the proposed Standards and corresponding revisions. Andy Pinasco and Chris Neudeck presented this item. It was noted 2019 was the last time this document was revised. Prior to this meeting, Chris Neudeck and Andy Pinasco did a technical review to ensure the wording is clear and understandable for the property owners. Among the work done on the Levee Standards, Mr. Neudeck and Mr. Pinasco identified factual information that homeowners need, strengthened the language regarding visibility requirements, and clarified definitions. The document is risk management-oriented outlining responsibility and authority. Mr. Neudeck indicated this document represents a compilation of efforts throughout several years and adheres to the existing structure that has worked well and has merit. Discussion followed with several questions and answers and with revisions requested by the Trustees for clarification purposes. Mr. Pinasco will be editing the document with the requested edits and explained it will take two to three meetings to formally adopt the revised Levee Standards.

6. **Engineer's Report.** Discussion and Possible Action on Engineer's Report.
 - I. RULES AND REGULATIONS REVISIONS
 - A. Review with Trustees the recommended revisions to the District Rules & Regulations.
 - Please see Item 5, above.

 - II. LOWER SAN JOAQUIN RIVER FEASIBILITY PROJECT
 - A. Review request of the US Army Corps of Engineers request to tour the District levees and notice the Southwest property owners of gate opening scheduled for February 12th.

District Engineer Chris Neudeck reported the US Army Corps of Engineers will be touring RD 1608's levees on February 12. Notification to the Southwest levee property owners was discussed due to the need to open and close gates along the area. Andy Pinasco will be preparing a letter and Joe Bryson will be delivering the notification letter to the property owners. The tour will be conducted on February 12, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

7. **Superintendent Report.** Request for directions and approvals. Joe Bryson provided an oral and written report. For the complete list, please refer to the attached Levee Superintendent Report.


8. **Meetings.** Report by Trustees on meetings attended and upcoming meetings. Request for direction. President Panzer reported he visited the Agricultural Center to renew the spray permit. He was told the District does not need a permit and the existing permit was cancelled. He was informed spot spraying with Roundup does not require a permit and that the permitting responsibility falls on the applicator or business hired to perform the spraying. After discussion, Mr. Neudeck is to research whether the District needs a spray permit.

9. **Report and Possible Action on Progress of Tasks Assigned at Previous Board Meetings.** No report given.
10. **Discussion and direction on Short-Term and Long-Range Goals.** No discussion.
11. **District Calendar.** Discussion and direction.
 - a. Next Meeting is March 4, 2026.
 - All Trustees confirmed their availability.
12. **Correspondence.** Mr. Pinasco reported the District received correspondence from the Bank of Stockton. The Bank of Stockton will be transitioning to a new business credit card program and is requesting a Business Card Company Profile form to be submitted and requires a designated authorized officer to be assigned. The Board designated Andy Pinasco as the designated authorized officer.
13. **Approval of Bills.** District Secretary Elvia Trujillo presented an oral and written report on District expenses. After review,

It was moved, seconded (D. MacDonnell/D. Lofstrom) and unanimously carried by the Board of Trustees of Reclamation District 1608 that the list of Bills for Approval provided at the February 4, 2026, Meeting be approved as presented.

14. **Staff Reports.** None.
 - (a) Attorney. The agenda for this meeting was posted on the window outside the meeting room at 3121 West March Lane, Stockton, California, at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the meeting.
15. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


 Elvia C. Trujillo
 District Secretary

Acronyms Frequently Used

AC Repairs = Asphalt Concrete Repairs
 CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act
 District= Reclamation District 1608
 DWR = Department of Water Resources
 KSN = Kjeldsen, Sinnock & Neudeck
 LWA = Larsen Wurzel & Associates
 N&B = Neumiller & Beardslee
 Prop 218 = Proposition 218
 RD 1608 = Reclamation District 1608
 SJAFCA = San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency
 USACE = United States Army Corps of Engineers

January and February 2026 Minutes Reclamation District 1608

Superintendent Joe Bryson

- 1. Levee patrol 00+ to 180+, cleaned and checked the pump station. Trimmed tree around the pump station.**
- 2. Started leaf removal from levee. Blow leaves into piles, put in trash cans, then put in dumpster. One thousand plus trash cans.**
- 3. We noticed many bare spots on levee, need gravel. We installed twenty-five hundred buckets of gravel.**
- 4. In November someone cut the hardware that holds the gates. They come from Swenson's Golf Course. We welded all fittings on the fence gates from the toe to the water. In January someone undid the bracket that holds the barbwire and the security wire at our gate I-5 East. Welded everything from the water to the toe, then two hundred feet to the houses. Grupe Park East gate someone undid the bracket holding up the fence. We repaired the fence from the pump station to the water**
- 5. On Christmas Day I called Dr. Panzer to get his recommendation on calling Chris. Dr. Panzer was there in five minutes. At Grupe Park we had standing water on about one hundred feet of levee road. We had about fifteen new little cracks on levee road.**

6. About a month ago a lady came by Grupe Park and asked if we had seen a jet ski go by; her jet ski was missing. It showed up a month later Fort Donaldson on the rocks. Pull the jet ski off the rocks and dispose of it.

7. Kids like to play at the pump station; I ran them off.

8. Have opened gates for spray man three times PG&E two times, San Joaquin County and City of Stockton five times.

9. We have installed two locks on the main gate, save time and injuries to our hands.

10. For the last 10 years we have been buying gasoline tools and now batteries for tools.

11. This week I am meeting with the City of Stockton at Grupe Park.

12. Only two employees, Joe Godinez has been taking time off to care for his mother. Joe has been sick also,

13. I received a phone call from the homeowner regarding water in the backyard.

14. The cyclone fence which covers the rock at Grupe Park has been cut. One area five-foot round, one seven-foot round, one eight-foot round. They stole the rocks. We installed two cameras, one East Gate, and one West Gate.

Reclamation District 1608
Amended Bills for Approval - February 4, Board Meeting

NAME	Date	INVOICE #	AMOUNT	TOTAL \$	WARRANT #	CHECK #	RATIFICATION
PG&E	12/3/2026	2999432760-8	\$5.44				
				\$5.44	6974		X
Reclamation District 1608 (Transfer to Checking Account)	1/5/2026	Transfer of Funds	\$40,000.00				
				\$40,000.00	6975		X
PG&E	1/5/2026	2999432760-8	\$37.35				
				\$37.35	6976		X
Michael Panzer	2/4/2026	Trustee Stipend	\$299.92				
				\$299.92	6977		
Dan MacDonnell	2/4/2026	Trustee Stipend	299.92				
				\$299.92	6978		
Dottie Lofstrom	2/4/2026	Trustee Stipend	\$299.92				
				\$299.92	6979		
Elvia Trujillo (December & January Services)	2/4/2026	Secretary Fee	\$2,092.04				
				\$2,092.04	6980		
Neumiller & Beardslee	12/11/2025	356747	\$3,350.38				
	1/2/2026	356796	\$3,397.98				
				\$6,748.36	6981		
Kjeldsen Sinnock & Neudeck	12/19/2025	42230	\$1,404.48				
	12/19/2025	42231	\$934.50				
	12/19/2025	42232	\$233.00				
	12/19/2025	42233	\$608.25				
	12/19/2025	42234	\$102.50				
	1/23/2026	42426	\$232.50				
	1/23/2026	42427	\$4,154.50				
	1/23/2026	42428	\$542.50				
	1/23/2026	42429	\$232.50				
				\$8,444.73	6982		

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San Joaquin County Mosquito and Vector Control Dist	2/4/2026	FY 7/1/25 - 6/30/26 Assessment	\$41.38			
				\$41.38	6983	
Kim Floyd Communications	1/8/2026	1/8/25-11/30/25	\$6,167.99			
				\$6,167.99	6984	
Reclamation District 1608	2/4/2026	Transfer to Checking Account	\$30,000.00			
				\$30,000.00	6985	
PG&E	1/28/2026	2999432760-8	\$40.73			
				\$40.73	6986	
Transfer to Sediment Removal Proj Fund	2/4/2026	For Registered Warrant #6458	\$29,015.75			
				\$29,015.75		
Bank of Stockton (Payment of Registered Warrant 6458)	2/9/2026	Registered Warrant #6458	\$29,015.75			
				\$29,015.75	RW6458	
State Compensation Insurance Fund	11/30/2025	1002894238	\$1,063.08	\$1,063.08		e-Check
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Bank of Stockton Visa	12/16/2025	10/28/25-11/26/25	\$6,306.09	\$6,306.09		Online
Bank of Stockton Visa	1/20/2025	11/27/25-12/26/25	\$2,964.25	\$2,964.25		Online
ADP, Inc. (payroll)	12/5/2025	706479202	\$88.12	\$88.12		Online
ADP, Inc. (payroll)	12/26/2025	708204502	\$88.12	\$88.12		Online
ADP, Inc. (payroll)	1/9/2026	709122464	\$91.26	\$91.26		
ADP, Inc. (payroll)	1/23/2026	710050201	\$84.97	\$84.97		
State of California Payroll Taxes		11/30/25 and 12/15/25 Payroll	\$556.87	\$556.87		Online
Federal Government Payroll Taxes		11/30/25 and 12/15/25 Payroll	\$2,610.21	\$2,610.21		Online
State of California Payroll Taxes		12/31/25 and 1/15/26 Payroll	\$1,110.61	\$1,110.61		Online
Federal Government Payroll Taxes		12/31/25 and 1/15/26 Payroll	\$4,183.08	\$4,183.08		Online
Joe L. Bryson (Payroll)	12/1/2025	11/1/25-11/30/25	\$4,833.28	\$4,833.28		Direct Deposit
Joe L. Bryson (Payroll)	12/31/2025	12/1/25-12/31/25	\$6,855.03	\$6,855.03		Direct Deposit

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Joe C. Godinez Sr. (Payroll)	12/1/2025	11/16/25-11/30/25	\$585.92	\$585.92	Direct Deposit	
Joe C. Godinez Sr. (Payroll)	12/16/2025	12/1/25-12/15/25	\$860.04	\$860.04	Direct Deposit	
Joe C. Godinez Sr. (Payroll)	12/31/2025	12/16/25-12/31/25	\$154.95	\$154.95	Direct Deposit	
Joe C. Godinez Sr. (Payroll)	12/16/2025	1/1/26-1/15/26	\$1,023.34	\$1,023.34	Direct Deposit	
Carlo D. Boccia (Payroll)	12/1/2025	1/16/25/-11/30/25	\$535.50	\$535.50	Direct Deposit	
Carlo D. Boccia (Payroll)	12/16/2025	12/1/25-12/15/2025	\$1,166.29	\$1,166.29	Direct Deposit	
Carlo D. Boccia (Payroll)	12/31/2025	12/16/25-12/31/25	\$925.55	\$925.55	Direct Deposit	
Carlo D. Boccia (Payroll)	1/16/2025	1/1/26-1/15/26	\$947.09	\$947.09		
Steven Wright (Payroll)	12/16/2025	12/1/2025-12/15/2025	\$541.20	\$541.20	Direct Deposit	
Steven Wright (Payroll)	12/31/2025	12/16/25-13/31/25	\$501.33	\$501.33	Direct Deposit	
The Home Depot	1/27/206	H1022-458045	\$2,682.06	\$2,682.06	Check #1654	X
		WARRANT TOTAL:		\$123,493.53		
		CHECKING TOTAL:		\$41,821.32		
		TOTAL BILLS PAID		\$165,314.85		