RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
April 12, 2018
1:30 P.M.
RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT CONFERENCE ROOM

Present: Greg Higel, President, Dwight Martin, Secretary/ Treasurer; Peggy Godfrey, Director; Lewis Entz, Director; and, Bill McClure, Director.

Present Via Conference Call: Brian David, Director; Mike McClure, Director, David Robbins, District’s Attorney

Staff: Cleave Simpson, General Manager; Cheryl Anderson, Office Manager; Marisa Fricke, Program Manager; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

Guests: Deb Sarason, DWR

CALL TO ORDER
President Greg Higel called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There was a quorum present for the meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF STAFF & GUESTS
President Higel welcomed all those present and asked for introductions.

APPROVE AGENDA
President Higel asked for any changes or additions to the agenda. A motion was made by Dwight Martin to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Lewis Entz and unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT
President Higel asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

REVIEW AND ACTION SUBDISTRICT NO. 1 2018 ANNUAL REPLACEMENT PLAN
President Higel asked for Review and Action on Subdistrict No. 1 2018 Annual Replacement Plan.
Cleave Simpson read the Resolution to allow Subdistrict No. 1 to use a portion of the Closed Basin Project for the replacement of injurious depletions.

President Higel asked for a motion to except the Resolution to use a portion of the Closed Basin Project water under the 2018 Annual Replacement Plan. Lewis Entz made a motion to use a portion of the Closed Basin Project water under the 2018 Annual Replacement Plan. The motion was seconded by Dwight Martin, voted with one abstained, the motion was passed.

Cleave Simpson gave an update on the revisions made to the ARP. Mr. Simpson indicated the State revised the 10-day forecast which did not have an impact on the Rio Grande, however the stream flow on the Conejos dropped to 140,000 which resulted in a change to the ARP. Mr. Simpson reported the major focuses of the ARP is to predict the injuries to the river and show what opportunities are in place to remedy the injuries. Mr. Simpson read the Resolution for Approval of the 2018 Annual Replacement Plan.

President Higel asked for a motion to except the Resolution for Approval of the 2018 Annual Replacement Plan. A motion was made by Peggy Godfrey to approve the 2018 Annual Replacement Plan of Special Improvement District No. 1. The motion was seconded by Dwight Martin and unanimously approved.

OTHER REPORTS AND COMMENTS
President Higel asked if there were any other reports or comments. Cleave Simpson reported Armando Valdez had been appointed and will represent Conejos County on the Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District.

ADJOURN
Meeting was adjourned at 2:19 p.m.
The next scheduled quarterly meeting will be held on April 17, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.

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President

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Secretary/Treasurer
RESOLUTION
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

APPROVING THE 2018 ANNUAL REPLACEMENT PLAN
OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1
OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District at a special meeting held on April 12, 2018, in Alamosa, Colorado does hereby resolve that:

WHEREAS, Special Improvement District No. 1 of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District (“Subdistrict No. 1”) was created to conserve and stabilize the water supply and groundwater storage in the unconfined aquifer of the Closed Basin for irrigation, domestic, municipal and other beneficial uses for the water users within the boundaries of Subdistrict No. 1; and

WHEREAS, Subdistrict No. 1 is operating under an approved Plan of Water Management which requires the development of an Annual Replacement Plan showing, among other things, the predicted injurious depletions caused by Subdistrict Well groundwater withdrawals and the manner in which the Subdistrict will remedy those depletions.

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District that:

1. The Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District hereby accepts and approves the 2018 Annual Replacement Plan of Special Improvement District No. 1 of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District.

ATTEST:

By: Dwight Martin
Secretary/Treasurer

By: Greg Higel
President

RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
COUNTY OF ALAMOSA  
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STATE OF COLORADO  
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Subscribed and sworn to me this 12th day of 2018, by Greg Higel, President, Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District.

Witness my hand and seal.

My commission expires: 10-15-2021

[Signature]
Notary Public
RESOLUTION
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

TO ALLOW SUBDISTRICT NO. 1 TO USE A PORTION OF THE CLOSED BASIN
PROJECT FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF INJURIOUS DEPLETIONS UNDER THE
2018 ANNUAL REPLACEMENT PLAN

The Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District at a special
meeting held on April 12, 2018, in Alamosa, Colorado does hereby resolve that:

WHEREAS, Special Improvement District No. 1 of the Rio Grande Water Conservation
District ("Subdistrict No. 1") was created to conserve and stabilize the water supply and
groundwater storage in the unconfined aquifer of the Closed Basin for irrigation, domestic,
municipal and other beneficial uses for the water users within the boundaries of Subdistrict No.
1; and

WHEREAS, Subdistrict No. 1 is operating under an approved Plan of Water
Management which requires the development of an Annual Replacement Plan ("ARP") showing,
among other things, the predicted injurious depletions caused by Subdistrict Well pumping and
the manner in which the Subdistrict will remedy those depletions; and

WHEREAS, the production from the Closed Basin Project can and should be used as a
source of water to remedy injurious depletions caused by Subdistrict Well Pumping.

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Water
Conservation District that:

1. The District anticipates that the vast majority of this Project Water will be used to
replace non-irrigation season depletions from October 31 through March 31. There may be
circumstances during the irrigation season when Subdistrict No. 1 cannot deliver water to the Rio
Grande below the Chicago Ditch due to intervening dry stream reaches or excessive losses in
deliveries. In those circumstances, the District believes Project Water is an appropriate
replacement source, but intends that its use during the irrigation season be minimized.

2. The inclusion of 1,000 acre-feet of water from the production of the Closed Basin
Project as a source of supply in the Subdistrict No. 1 2018 Annual Replacement Plan ("2018
ARP") and the use of said water under the 2018 ARP to remedy injurious depletions is approved.
ATTEST:

RIO GRANDE WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

By: Greg Higel
President

By: Dwight Martin
Secretary/Treasurer

COUNTY OF ALAMOSA
STATE OF COLORADO

Subscribed and sworn to me this 14th day of April 2018, by Greg Higel, President, Board of Directors of the Rio Grande Water Conservation District.

Witness my hand and seal.

My commission expires: 4-15-2021

APRIL MONDRAGON
Notary Public