

SANTA RITA UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

March 17, 2026

District Office, 108 HWY 67 West

Meeting Minutes

Members present: Casey Davidson, Rusty Adams, Bradley Bynum, Mike Vargas

Others present: JJ Weatherby-District Manager

Call to Order: Casey Davidson, Board President called the REGULAR meeting to order at 5:04 pm.

Any person wishing to speak to the board will be allowed 5 minutes: None.

Approve minutes from the December 16, 2025 regular board meeting: After reviewing the minutes, Bradly Bynum made a motion to approve the minutes with a second from Rusty Adams. Motion carried unanimously.

Pay bills and discuss District Finances: This month's bills totaled \$6869.91. Deposit from RCTAC was \$42951.75. After reviewing financial reports, Mike Vargas motioned to approve and pay the bills with a second from Bradley Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.

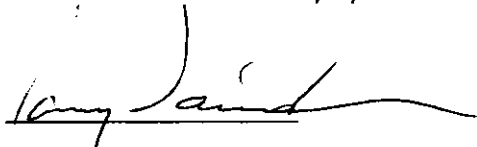
Drought index report: Since the board was unable to have quorum in January or February, JJ presented the board with the Q4 drought index showing the majority of the county in a D0 phase with a small portion of the Northern parts being in a D1 phase.

Q4 and Q1 Investment report: Again, since we didn't meet the first of the year to receive the Q4 2025 report, JJ presented the board with the information this month and tabled Q1 2026 until the next meeting to get the most accurate information. Q4 we had a total of \$640,096.27 across our accounts. There was discussion about looking into different investment pools and possibly different ways to spend them money to improve our data collection. JJ would look into options to present to the Board.

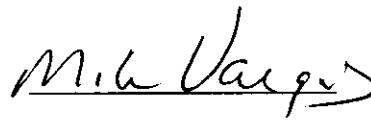
Manager's Report:

- A. Intent to drill: Element 3 sent an ITD for 1 well off of L road. It was under the permit usage amount for use. DE IV submitted 2 ITD for rig supply wells.
- B. Meetings attended: On March 2, 2026, the county invited us to participate in the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update kickoff meeting. March 18, 2026 JJ will attend a GMA 7 meeting in Sonora. At this time legislative committee meetings have kicked off and are being scheduled. At this point there looks to be an emphasis on groundwater data and the white areas in the coming session.

Adjourn: With no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:46 pm, with a motion from Mike Vargas and a second from Bradley Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.



Presiding Officer



Attesting Signature