



Kittitas County Conservation District
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Special Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 31, 2026 at 12:00PM, Zoom Meeting ID: 876 7440 3024

ATTENDANCE

Board of Supervisors: Mark Moore, Chair Jeff Brunson, Auditor Bill Boyum, Member Brian Cortese, Member Matt Eslinger, Vice Chair	KCCD Staff: Anna Lael, District Manager Emily Love, Financial Manager Brent Dixon, Project Manager Miranda Nash, Office Administrator
Guests:	

- I. **Call to Order** : Mark Moore called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM. Attendees participated in person and via Zoom.
- II. **Public Comment- None**
- III. **Action Items**
 - A. **Emergency Watershed Protection Program**
 - 1. **NRCS Agreement** – Anna presented draft NRCS documents for the Emergency Watershed Protection Program. The total award is \$2,089,550 for three projects, two on the Teanaway River and one on the Yakima River.
MOTION: Authorize the District Manager to sign the documents with NRCS for the EWP award.
Jeff Brunson, Seconded by Bill Boyum *Passed Unanimously*
 - 2. **Landowner Agreements** – Anna reported that the landowner agreements will be prepared and ready at the April regular meeting.
 - B. **Yakima Tributary Access & Habitat Program**
 - 1. **Interlocal Agreement with RC&D 2026/2027** - Anna presented the interlocal agreement for April 1, 2026 to March 30, 2027 between KCCD and the Washington RC&D for YTAHP.
MOTION: Approve Interlocal Agreement with RC&D for YTAHP 2026/2027 contract
Matt Eslinger, Seconded by Bill Boyum *Passed Unanimously*
 - C. **PAM Cost Share Program**
 - 1. **Cost Share Agreements – authorized signer** – Anna requested approval for her to sign the PAM cost share agreements for 2026.
MOTION: Authorize District Manager to Sign PAM Cost Share Agreements as they come in.
Jeff Brunson, seconded by Matt Eslinger *Passed Unanimously*

- D. **Salmon Recovery Funding Board Application** – Anna presented a Salmon Recovery Funding Board application for a project on the Yakima River near RM 153. The application requires a Resolution by the Board authorizing it.

MOTION: Approve Resolution 2026-003 for application 26-1647 to Salmon Recovery Funding board.

Jeff Brunson, seconded by **Brian Cortese**

Passed Unanimously

IV. Annual Employee Evaluations

- A. **40 Minute Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110 (1) (g)** for the purpose of reviewing the performance of public employees

Chair Moore adjourned the meeting to executive session at 12:29 PM

Chair Moore called the meeting back to order at 12:57 PM

- B. **Consideration of annual wage and salary increases**

MOTION: Approve 5% increase for District Manager, Financial Manager, Office Administrator, Manastash Project Manager, Natural Resource Project Manager, Engineer, and Resource Technician and a 10% increase for Conservation Planner.

Brian Cortese, seconded by **Jeff Brunson**

Passed Unanimously

MOTION: Accept all employee evaluations as presented.

Jeff Brunson, seconded by **Brian Cortese**

Passed Unanimously

V. Adjournment - 12:59 PM by Chair Mark Moore

MOTIONS APPROVED:

MOTION: Authorize the District Manager to sign the documents with NRCS for the EWP award.

Jeff Brunson, Seconded by **Bill Boyum**

Passed Unanimously

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Matt Eslinger, Seconded by **Bill Boyum**

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Passed Unanimously

 4/9/26

Recording Secretary

Date



Board Member

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