

MEETING OF THE SUNNYSIDE DIVISION
BOARD OF CONTROL

The regular meeting of the Sunnyside Division Board of Control (SDBOC) was held in-person and via conference call and was called to order by Chairman Doug Simpson on July 7, 2026, at 1:30 PM. Present in addition to Chairman Simpson was Director Paul Groeneweg, Kevin Golob, and Will Scarlett; David Felman, Dave Bos, Assistant Manager-Operations, Nikki Musson, SVID Deputy Treasurer/Office Manager, and Norman Semanko, Legal Counsel for the Sunnyside Division Board of Control.

The minutes of the June 9, 2026, Board Meeting were reviewed. Upon a motion by Director Golob, that was seconded and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved.

The Board reviewed the monthly financial reports and vouchers numbered 6826-6833 in the total amount of \$155,696.25 which were submitted for approval. A motion was made by Director Groeneweg which was seconded and unanimously carried, authorizing payment of the vouchers as listed above.

Mr. Bos presented the water supply report. As of July 7, 2026, storage in the mountain reservoirs is at 812,516 acre-feet or 76% of capacity. Storage content is 88% of average. Precipitation for the year to date (Oct 1 to July 7) is 242.91 inches or 113% of average. Snowpack has been depleted and the Yakima Basin went on storage control on May 21st. The July pro-rationing set by the Bureau of Reclamation is 56% supply to prorated water rights. SDBOC is currently diverting 1010 cfs.

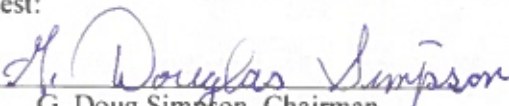
Mr. Felman provided the Board with an update on the ELIPS project. All winning pipe suppliers have completed their performance bonds and executed their agreements. Notices to proceed have been issued, and some piping materials for the 2026/2027 projects have started to arrive.

Mr. Felman reported that, following the June Yakima Basin Joint Board meeting, managers and legal counsel met to discuss a possible compromise on the September 30 carryover target for the 2026 irrigation season. The current 76,000 acre-foot target is insufficient to protect senior water rights during the October Water Supply Available (OWSA) period. Because discussions are ongoing, no response to the May 26 Ecology letter has been sent.

At 2:00 PM Chairman Simpson announced the Board would convene into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to last until 2:30 PM. The purpose of the executive session was to discuss litigation or potential litigation involving or likely to involve the District as a party. At 2:30 the Board reconvened into open session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.

Attest:


G. Doug Simpson, Chairman


David Felman, Secretary