

MINUTES FOR THE AUGUST 25, 2026
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SSJID BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID) met in special session in the District Boardroom at 7:00 a.m., with additional public access provided as a courtesy via the online Zoom meeting platform. President Spyksma called the meeting to order and stated that the Pledge of Allegiance will be recited at the commencement of Open Session. Upon roll call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS: ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
ABSENT: HOLBROOK VAN RYN

Also present were General Manager Peter M. Rietkerk; Engineering Department Manager Forrest Killingsworth; and Clerk of the Board Danielle Barney.

Public Comment – None

The Board convened to Closed Session at 7:01 a.m.

SSJID General Counsel Mia Brown joined the meeting at 7:20 a.m.

Item #1: CLOSED SESSION

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:54 a.m.

Item #2: ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Disclosure of reportable actions taken in Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.1:

Item #1.b. – Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54957.9, Consideration of Government Claim received by Aaron Aartman for Property Damage in the Amount of \$100,151.30, 3-Unspecified Cases

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Spyksma and seconded by Director Weststeyn to accept claim; total amount of settlement to be adjusted to account for avoided expenses for years 1 & 2, which will be calculated in accordance with reasonable farming estimates and/or UCD Cost and Return Studies for almonds.

The motion passed 3 to 0 by the following vote:

AYES:	ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	HOLBROOK VAN RYN

Item #3: ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

ATTEST:

Danielle Barney, Clerk of the Board