

**MINUTES
SAN JOAQUIN AREA FLOOD CONTROL AGENCY
BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 13, 2025**

STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL 1:02 PM

Present:	Absent:
Director Blower	Director DeBrum
Director Canepa	Director Lazard
Director Dresser	
Director Gardea	
Director Halford	
Director Singh	
Director Villapudua	

2. PLEDGE TO FLAG 1:03 PM

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS 1:04 PM

Deby Provost, RD 828 President, joined via Zoom and voiced her concerns publicly.
Dominick Gulli provided comments verbally and in writing.

4. CONSENT ITEMS 1:18 PM

- 4.1) Approve Minutes from September 11, 2025, Board Meeting
- 4.2) 2026 Board Meeting Schedule
- 4.3) Standard Policy for Adjustments to Pre-Qualified List and Master Services Agreement
- 4.4) Execute a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement to join the Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) and participate in Property/Liability and Workers' Compensation Programs

Public Comments: Dominick Gulli provided comments.

Motion:	To approve Consent Items 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4
Moved by:	Director Gardea, Seconded by Director Villapudua
Vote:	Motion carried 7-0
Yes:	Director Blower, Director Canepa, Director Dresser, Director Gardea, Director Halford, Director Singh, Director Villapudua
Absent:	Director DeBrum, Director Lazard

5. NEW BUSINESS 1:23 PM

- 5.1) Adoption of an Interim Operations Agreement between the San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency and the San Joaquin County Flood Control & Water Conservation District for the Smith Canal Gate project improvements.

Public Comments: Dominick Gulli provided comments.

Motion: To adopt an Interim Operations Agreement between the San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency and the San Joaquin County Flood Control & Water Conservation District for the Smith Canal Gate project improvements.
Moved by: Director Halford, Seconded by Director Blower
Vote: Motion carried 7-0
Yes: Director Blower, Director Canepa, Director Dresser, Director Gardea, Director Halford, Director Singh, Director Villapudua
Absent: Director DeBrum, Director Lazard

6. BRIEFINGS 1:38 PM

6.1) Paradise Cut Bypass Expansion and Multi-Benefit Project Feasibility Study Update

Public Comments: Dominick Gulli provided comments.

6.2) Mossdale Tract Program Update

Public Comments: Dominick Gulli provided comments.

6.3) 2025 Year in Review

Public Comments: None.

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT 2:35 PM

1. The Upper Calaveras reimbursement PPA, is with the Assistant Secretary of the Army's office waiting for signature.
2. Risk Cadre with the US Army Corps of Engineers is completing a risk assessment on the Smith Canal project, post construction, to determine outstanding risk.
3. There will be no Board Meeting in December.
4. The Energy & Water appropriations bill should be coming out soon. We do have funds to continue Phase 1 work for now, and UFRR work proceeding on the Mossdale Tract.
5. FEMA Map Revision will go into effect February 9 absent creditable protest.

Public Comments: None

8. COUNSEL REPORT 2:38 PM

Counsel encourages Board Members to request informational briefings as they are valuable for them and for the Public.

9. BOARD COMMENTS 2:39 PM

Director Villapudua, Director Gardea, Vice-Chair Blower, and Chair Canepa provided comments.

Our next SJAFCA Board Meeting will be Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 2pm.

10. CLOSED SESSION 2:45 PM

- 10.1) Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to 54956.9(d)(4): One Case
- 10.2) Anticipated Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): One Case (Shimmick Construction Company, Inc)

Public Comments: Dominick Gulli provided comments.

Returned from Closed Session at 3:05pm.

REPORT OUT: 3:05 PM

10.1) No report.

10.2) The Board voted to reject the claim by Shimmick Construction Company and will be sending a notice to Shimmick accordingly.

11. ADJOURNMENT 3:05 PM

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm. The next upcoming Board Meeting will be held January 22, 2026, at 2pm.

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November 13, 2025, SJAFCA Meeting Minutes