



**Stanislaus-San Joaquin
Bi-County Special
Districts Association**

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Date/Time: Thursday, March 6, 2025 9:30- 11:00 AM.

Location: Fire Administration Building (835 Central Avenue, Tracy)

Zoom Link:

<https://ssjid.zoom.us/j/81506045157?pwd=CfX5bwAj80t4OGVsa2ivEFNJuzfbwd.1>

Chapter Website: [Stanislaus-San Joaquin Bi-County Chapter of CSDA
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Agenda

- 1. Welcome** (*Dana Ferreira, Chapter President, Modesto Irrigation District*)
- 2. Introductions** (*Group*)
- 3. Review/Approve Minutes from October 11, 2024 Meeting** (*Attachment*)
- 4. San Joaquin County LAFCO Update:** (JD Hightower, Executive Officer)
- 5. Guest Speaker/Federal Representative Update:** Adam Cheshire, District Director, Congressman Josh Harder (CD-9)
- 6. Guest Speaker/State Legislative Update:** Melissa Santos, District Director, Assembly Member Rhodesia Ransom (AD -13)
- 7. CSDA Legislative Update**
- 8. Local District Roundtable/Updates**
- 9. Wrap – Up/Questions/Next Meeting Place and Time**



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Minutes

- 1. Welcome** (*Dana Ferreira, Chapter President, Modesto Irrigation District*)
Dana called the meeting to order at 9:30am
- 2. Introductions** (*Group*)
In attendance were: Dana Ferreira, Katie Patterson, Raychel Jackson, Assembly Member Juan Alanis, Justin Farkas (Field Representative for Asm. Alanis), Karin Freese, Marcus Detwiler, Dane Wadle, Clinton Bray, Dave Heft, Erik Klevmyr
- 3. Review/Approve Minutes from June 7, 2024 Meeting** (*Attachment*)
Clint made a motion to approve the minutes. Raychel seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.
- 4. Guest Speaker:** Assembly Member Juan Alanis, District 22
Assembly Member Alanis highlighted a number of state legislative bills related to local districts. Also talked about his first term in the Legislature and his efforts to work with others to pass legislation and find solutions. Highlighted his involvement in the problem solving caucus.
- 5. CSDA Annual Conference Recap**

Dana highlighted that the Chapter received CSDA's Chapter of the Year award at the recent CSDA Annual Conference. The group also discussed the Chapter Leader's session during the first day of conference.

6. CSDA Legislative Update

Marcus highlighted multiple CSDA priority bill (SB 399, AB 2561, SB 937 and AB 2631). Dane also provided an update on S.4673/HR 7525 in Congress.

7. Local District Roundtable/Updates

Del Puerto Health Care: The district has had a Board vacancy for a while. The County Elections office told the district that they only have one week after an election to appoint someone to fill the vacancy.

Tracy Rural Fire: The District's ambulance is live. They had 80 calls on a recent day. The District is working on a training facility with a November groundbreaking.

Stanislaus Consolidated: The district recently received a FEMA grant to train employees and provide overtime backfill. The district will have 18 paramedics by January. Also going through an ISO rating process now. Trying to improve rating for homeowners insurance. A new training tower center is also being built in Ceres.

SSJID: The district is stopping irrigation on 10/18. They have a 95% design work completed on a facility near Knights Ferry. The District is also working on an organizational design and just finished the strategic plan. District continues to work on Retail Electric project. Hoping to be operating in 2029. SJ County working with local provider to become a CCA. Question regarding: how it works with a CCA providing service in unincorporated parts of the County.

Turlock Mosquito: Good year for mosquitos – meaning low year for West Nile. Aerial spraying for Eastside Mosquito District went well.

County OES (Erik Klevmyr): OES recently secured a grant for breathing apparatus.

MID: Very busy week with a Public Power Event. Stopping irrigation on 11/1. Applied for a Bureau of Reclamation Grant to build a regulating reservoir in Salida.

8. Wrap – Up/Questions/Next Meeting Place and Time

The next meeting date/time will be coordinated via email. The group likes either early March or early February.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:02am.