

**October 28, 2025, Regular Directors Meeting**

The Directors of the Eastern Irrigation District held a regular meeting on the 28th day of October 2025. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Richard Hiebert	Director	[Division 1]	Mr. Ivan Friesen	General Manager
Mr. David Peltzer	Director	[Division 2]	Mr. Marvin Koochin	Assist. GM – Legal & Corporate Services
Mr. Brad Deschamps	Director	[Division 3]	Mr. Ryan Gagley	Assist. GM – Engineering & Operations
Mr. Jeff Alberts	Director	[Division 4]	Mrs. Wendy Enns	Executive Assistant
Mr. John Ketchmark	Director	[Division 5]		
Mr. Brent Schroeder	Director	[Division 6]		
Mr. Tracy Hemsing	Director	[Division 7]		

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented.

2025-10-185 Moved by D. Peltzer that the Board adopt the Agenda as presented. Seconded by B. Deschamps. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.0 Approval of Minutes**2.01 September 23, 2025, Regular Directors Meeting**

The minutes of the September 23, 2025, Regular Directors Meeting were accepted as presented.

2025-10-186 Moved by B. Deschamps that the Minutes of the September 23, 2025, Regular Directors Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by J. Ketchmark. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.02 October 8, 2025, Special Directors Meeting

The minutes of the October 8, 2025, Special Directors Meeting were accepted as presented.

2025-10-187 Moved by R. Hiebert that the Minutes of the October 8, 2025, Special Directors Meeting be approved as presented. Seconded by B. Schroeder. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.0 Business Arising

There were no matters arising from the September 23rd Regular Board Meeting or the October 8th Special Board Meeting.

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events

One item was deferred to the In Camera portion of the meeting.

5.0 Upcoming Events

- 5.01 AIDA Board Development Seminar & AIDA Board Meeting** - Monday, November 3rd, 9:00 a.m. Lethbridge Lodge
[Attending: T. Hemsing, R. Hiebert, D. Peltzer, J. Alberts, B. Schroeder, I. Friesen, R. Gagley]
- 5.02 Remembrance Day Ceremonies** - Tuesday, November 11th, 10:00 a.m. at the JBS Centre,
11:00 a.m. at the Cenotaph *[J. Alberts laying wreath]*
- 5.03 Scholarship Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, November 18th, 10:00 a.m.
[Attending: all but B. Schroeder]
- 5.04 Regular Board Meeting** - Tuesday, November 25th, 9:00 a.m.
- 5.05 Regular Board Meeting** - Tuesday, December 16th, 9:00 a.m.
- 5.06 Scholarship Awards & Reception** - Thursday, December 18th, 5:00 p.m.
- 5.07 Corporate Planning** - Tuesday, January 13, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- 5.08 Corporate Planning** - Thursday, January 15, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

[9:07 a.m. S. Barlow entered the meeting.]

6.0 2025/2026 Budget – Further Review/Approval

S. Barlow presented the following Budget and Cash Flow Forecast.

6.01 Supplemental Budget Review

A few adjustments that had been made to the budget since the October 8th Special Board Meeting were highlighted. A number of questions were responded to by Mrs. Barlow and Admin.

6.02 Cash Flow Forecast

A 2026 – 2030 Cash Flow Forecast was also reviewed and discussed.

6.03 Budget Approval

The budget was then approved through the following motion.

2025-10-188 Moved by R. Hiebert that the Board of Directors approve the 2025/2026 Budget of the Eastern Irrigation District as presented. Seconded by B. Schroeder. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Although the overall budget was approved at this meeting, rehabilitation projects, other large projects or large purchases, and any special items of significance will be brought back to the Board with additional detail, for individual review and approval.

7.0 Financial Report

S. Barlow presented the following Financial Report.

7.01 4th Quarter Investment Report – September 30, 2025

The book value of the District's investments plus bank account balances at September 30, 2025, was \$9.2M or 10% more than the book value at September 30, 2024.

4th QUARTER INVESTMENT REPORT to September 30, 2025		
Investment	Matured	Purchased
EID – Short Term	\$5,200,000	-
EID – Long Term	-	\$4,000,000
Irrigation Rehabilitation Program – Short Term	-	-
Partners in Habitat Development – Short Term	-	-
Alberta Irrigation Modernization – Short Term	\$9,700,000	-
Alberta Irrigation Modernization – Long Term	-	\$4,000,000

2025-10-189 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the Board approve the 4th Quarter Investment Report to September 30, 2025, as presented. Seconded by B. Deschamps. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.02 4th Quarter Accounts Receivable Report – September 30, 2025

A variety of accounts were detailed, and questions answered by Mrs. Barlow.

2025-10-190 Moved by B. Schroeder that the Board approve the 4th Quarter Accounts Receivable Report to September 30, 2025, as presented. Seconded by J. Ketchmark. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7.03 Preliminary Financial Statements to September 30, 2025

It was noted that the financial statements at this point should be viewed as preliminary and incomplete as year-end accounting work is continuing. It is intended that the 2025 year-end financial statements and auditor's report will be presented to the Board in January 2026. The following was noted overall:

- YTD revenues total about \$50.0 million and are tracking under YTD budget.
- YTD net operating expenses total about \$35.3 million and are tracking under YTD budget.
- YTD potential transfer to the Irrigation Works Fund is about \$14.7 million.

A number of questions were responded to by Mrs. Barlow.

2025-10-191 Moved by B. Schroeder that the Board approve the Preliminary Financial Statements to September 30, 2025, as presented. Seconded by D. Peltzer. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[10:13 a.m. – 10:22 a.m. Short break; S. Barlow exited the meeting.]

8.0 Engineering

R. Gagley presented the following Engineering Report.

8.01 Antelope Creek Pipeline

This matter was given initial discussion, then moved to the In Camera portion of the meeting.

8.02 Gem Soils Testing Results

Soils testing results east and southeast of Gem were presented, showing possible pivot configurations for future irrigation development. It was directed that a minimum of 8 quarters of

additional lands further to the south and east are to be tested, as soils are showing to improve in that direction.

Secondly, it was advised that the Rolling Hills Reservoir pump station facility was constructed to accommodate another pump to service additional acres than are currently under irrigation. Consensus was obtained to test approximately 12 quarters northwest and southwest of the pump station.

[10:47 a.m. R. Moen entered the meeting.]

9.0 EIDNet Report

R. Moen presented the following EIDNet Report.

9.01 Monthly Report

No major operational issues occurred in the reporting month. All but 5 EID automation sites have been shut down for the winter. Work continues on the last phase of the fibre project. The conduit has been run to the Patricia tower and is currently being installed to the Gem tower. The Rolling Hills section will not be completed this year.

4 th QUARTER EIDNET REPORT to September 30, 2025	
EIDNet Accounts	Current Customers
Legacy Residential Accounts	21
Residential Accounts	1,429
Business Accounts	384
EID Automation	5
Total	1,839

[10:50 a.m. R. Moen exited the meeting; N. Fontaine and B. Doerksen entered.]

10.0 Lands

10.01 Lands, Oil & Gas

N. Fontaine presented the following Lands, Oil & Gas Report.

10.01.1 Irrigated Lease Rent Review – #8226

Long term irrigated Lease #8226 is a 160 acre parcel located in NE 12-15-14 W4M, consisting of 143 irrigation acres. In 2020, the lease was extended for a second 10-year term and is set to expire in 2030. The current annual rent is \$175/irrigated acre. A rate of \$350/irrigated acre was recommended, taking into consideration recent short term irrigated lease auction results and that the lessees of this lease own the irrigation infrastructure.

2025-10-192 Moved by B. Schroeder that the Board approve the 5 year rental rate for Irrigated Lease #8226 at \$350/irrigated acre, plus water and taxes for the years 2026 – 2030. Seconded by J. Ketchmark. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.02 Aquatic Invasive Species

B. Doerksen presented the following Aquatic Invasive Species Report.

10.02.1 Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program – 2025 Statistics

As movement of aquatic invasive species into new areas mainly occurs by travelling watercraft, the EID initiated the AIS Prevention Program in 2018. All boaters wishing to access EID reservoirs must follow approved prevention procedures and each year complete a watercraft information form. The District's major reservoirs and downstream canal systems continue to be monitored; no signs of mussels within District infrastructure have been found to date. Additional AIS information and reservoir access rules may be found on the District's website. It was advised that 95% of individuals were compliant with the District's program this year; however, a significant increase of watercraft from out of province was seen. A number of questions were responded to by Ms. Doerksen.

AIS PREVENTION PROGRAM – Registered Watercraft							
Registration Location	Year	Low Risk	From Out of Province	From Out of Country	Total	High Risk	Disallowed Entry
Crawling Valley Campground	2025	1,622	146	18	1,704	82	3
	2024	1,552	51	13	1,582	30	12
	2023	1,281	39	0	1,299	18	3
Lake Newell Resort Marina	2025	163	5	0	165	2	1
	2024	109	3	0	111	2	1
	2023	110	0	0	110	0	0
Kinbrook Island Provincial Park	2025	1,692	210	29	1,792	100	2
	2024	1,444	93	15	1,513	69	16
	2023	1,571	51	9	1,601	30	1
Rolling Hills Reservoir Campground	2025	1,363	39	11	1,399	36	4
	2024	1,078	41	5	1,098	20	4
	2023	912	55	5	947	35	5
EID Office	2025	10	2	0	12	2	0
	2024	27	0	0	27	0	0
	2023	20	1	0	21	1	0
Other	2025	14	0	3	17	3	0
	2024	12	0	0	12	0	0
	2023	6	0	0	6	0	0
2025 Totals		4,864	402	61	5,089	225	10
2024 Totals		4,222	188	33	4,343	121	33
2023 Totals		3,900	146	14	3,984	84	9

In 2025, the EID registered 5,089 watercraft (sailboats, wakeboard boats, ski boats, fishing boats, kayaks, canoes, paddleboards, and other non-motorized watercraft) for entrance into its reservoirs. Out of province watercraft came from Newfoundland, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, California, Arizona, Oklahoma, West Virginia, Vermont, and Denmark.

[10:58 a.m. N. Fontaine and B. Doerksen exited the meeting; S. Connauton entered.]

10.03 Assessment, Water & Lands

S. Connauton presented the following Assessment, Water & Lands Report.

10.03.1 Assessment Report to September 30, 2025

The Assessment Report for the period of July 1, 2025, to September 30, 2025, was presented, summarized as follows.

4 th QUARTER EID WATER ROLL to September 30, 2025				
Quarter	Irrigation Acres	Terminable Acres	5R Soils Acres	Total
July 1, 2025	318,810	2,862	367	322,039
September 30, 2025	319,450	2,487	367	322,304
Net increase	640	< 375 >	0	265
Irrigation Acres Removed from the Water Roll (acres sold back for new subdivisions or part of Farm Improvement)				< 385 >
Irrigation Acres Added to the Water Roll (acres purchased through Irrigation Dev. App. or Farm Improvement efficiencies)				1,025
Terminable Acres Converted to Irrigation Acres				375
Terminable Acres Canceled				< 0 >
Annual Agreement Acres (*acres are not recorded on the Assessment Roll)				*381

4 th QUARTER CAPITAL ASSETS REVENUE REPORT	
Irrigation Acre Purchases	\$1,281,030
Terminable Acre Conversions	\$184,475
Annual Agreements	\$0
5R Soil Agreements	\$0
Totals	\$1,465,505

10.03.2 Farm Improvement Grant Applications and Increases in Irrigation Acres Applications

10.03.2.1 Budget Report – 2025 Fiscal Year Report

\$250,000 was budgeted for Farm Improvement grants for the 2025 fiscal year, and grants ended just under that amount. As a decline has been seen in conversions from flood to pivot, \$150,000 has been budgeted for the 2026 fiscal year.

10.03.2.2 Increase – AMN Farms Ltd (Abraham & Margaret Neufeld) – NW 31-16-12 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 151 acres
- Current Assessment: 144 acres pivot (7 acres transferred out in 2024)
- Proposal: add corner arm; 10 acres needed (4 efficiency, 6 infill)
- Efficiency Acres Gained: Class B Flood to Pivot; 11 acres x 1.40 = 4 efficiency acres
- New Assessment: 154 acres all under corner arm pivot
- Notes: soils meet requirements; project must be completed by Oct 31'26

2025-10-193 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for AMN Farms Ltd for 4 efficiency acres and 6 infill acres in NW 31-16-12 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$15,300 (10 acres x \$1,530/acre). Seconded by B. Schroeder. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.2.3 Increase – AMN Farms Ltd (Abraham & Margaret Neufeld) – NW 07-17-12 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 97 acres
- Current Assessment: 134 acres pivot (32 added in 1996, 6 transferred in and 3 sold back to the EID in 2013, 2 acres added in 2017)
- Proposal: add corner arm; 17 acres needed (infill)
- Efficiency Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 151 acres all under corner arm pivot
- Notes: soils meet requirements; project must be completed by Oct 31'26

2025-10-194 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for AMN Farms Ltd for 17 infill acres in NW 07-17-12 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$26,010 (17 acres x \$1,530/acre). Seconded by B. Schroeder. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.2.4 Increase – AMN Farms Ltd (Abraham & Margaret Neufeld) – NE 07-17-12 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 123 acres
- Current Assessment: 136 acres pivot (9 transferred in in 2012, 4 added in 2017)
- Proposal: add corner arm; 16 acres needed (infill)
- Efficiency Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 152 acres all under corner arm pivot
- Notes: soils meet requirements; project must be completed by Oct 31'26

2025-10-195 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for AMN Farms Ltd for 16 infill acres in NE 07-17-12 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$24,480 (16 acres x \$1,530/acre). Seconded by B. Schroeder. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.2.5 Increase – AMN Farms Ltd (Abraham & Margaret Neufeld) – SE 11-17-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 143 acres
- Current Assessment: 124 acres pivot (19 sold back to the EID in 2015)
- Proposal: add corner arm; 16 acres needed (infill)
- Efficiency Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 140 acres all under corner arm pivot
- Notes: soils meet requirements; project must be completed by Oct 31'26

2025-10-196 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for AMN Farms Ltd for 16 infill acres in SE 11-17-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$24,480 (16 acres x \$1,530/acre). Seconded by B. Schroeder. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.2.6 Increase – AMN Farms Ltd (Abraham & Margaret Neufeld) – SW 12-17-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 150 acres
- Current Assessment: 136 acres pivot (2 removed in 1995 and 12 sold back to the EID in 2016)
- Proposal: add corner arm; 16 acres needed (infill)
- Efficiency Acres Gained: 0

- New Assessment: 152 acres all under corner arm pivot
- Notes: soils meet requirements; project must be completed by Oct 31'26

2025-10-197 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for AMN Farms Ltd for 16 infill acres in SW 12-17-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$24,480 (16 acres x \$1,530/acre). Seconded by B. Schroeder. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[11:03 a.m. D. Peltzer declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

10.03.2.7 Increase – David & Kathlyn Peltzer – NE 10-21-15 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 60 acres
- Current Assessment: 110 acres wiper pivot (6 transferred in and 44 purchased in 2003)
- Proposal: add small wiper pivot; 3 acres needed (infill)
- Efficiency Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 113 acres all under pivot (110 large, 3 small)
- Notes: soils are 5R and must be retested in 5/10 years; project must be completed by October 31, 2026

2025-10-198 Moved by B. Deschamps that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for David & Kathlyn Peltzer for 3 infill acres in NE 10-21-15 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$4,590 (3 acres x \$1,530/acre). Seconded by R. Hiebert. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[11:04 a.m. D. Peltzer rejoined the meeting.]

10.03.2.8 Transfer – Larry Hirsch & Rachelle Fiest – NE 36-14-14 W4M to Larry Hirsch – SW 20-14-13

The landowners have requested to transfer 13 flood irrigation acres from NE 36-14-14 W4M to SW 20-14-13 W4M to accommodate the addition of a corner arm.

2025-10-199 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the Board approve the transfer of 13 irrigation acres from NW 36-14-14 W4M, lands being owned by Larry Hirsch & Rachelle Fiest, to SW 20-14-13 W4M, lands being owned by Larry Hirsch. Seconded by R. Hiebert. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.03.2.9 Increase – Larry Hirsch – SW 20-14-13 W4M

- Previous Assessment: 155 acres
- Current Assessment: 148 acres pivot (21 acres sold back to the District in 2013, 1 acre purchased in 2017, 13 acres transferred in – motion 2025-10- 199)
- Proposal: add corner arm; 2 acres needed (infill)
- Efficiency Acres Gained: 0
- New Assessment: 150 acres all under corner arm pivot
- Notes: soils meet requirements; project must be completed by Oct 31'26

2025-10-200 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the Board approve the Increase in Irrigation Acres application for Larry Hirsch for 2 infill acres in SW 20-14-13 W4M. The capital assets charge is \$3,060 (2 acres x \$1,530/acre). Seconded by R. Hiebert. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11.0 Irrigation Applications for 2026

S. Connauton presented the 29 applications received for irrigation beginning in 2026. 17 applications were received for off-river acres and 12 for under reservoir support. Notwithstanding initial conditional approval from the Board, projects that are not completed by September 30, 2026, will not receive final approval. Through initial discussion and in review of the applications, a number of questions were responded to by Mrs. Connauton and Admin.

The standard requirements for all proposals being approved are:

- all infrastructure must be installed by September 30, 2026
- all infrastructure must not encroach on any adjacent EID titled land or right-of-way land
- if infrastructure is crossing an undeveloped County R/A, proof of permission must be provided
- the delivery site remains the same unless stated otherwise
- soil test results from a qualified land classification agrologist must be submitted with the irrigation application and show the project area meeting requirements
- consents from any third party who must consent to the installation of new infrastructure crossing their lands must be submitted with the application
- an engineering report from a qualified engineer confirming the volume of live storage for any development being proposed to capture operational spill water in a landowner owned reservoir must be submitted with the irrigation application
- the EID will complete verification of the project by survey prior to finalization
- capital asset payment is due upon the installation of the infrastructure

The charges applicable to these applications are as per the current Capital Asset Charges Bylaw #977 (2024):

- \$765/acre for converting terminable acres to irrigation acres
- \$1,530/acre for infill and efficiency acres up to 50 irrigation acres per parcel
- \$3,672/acre for infill and efficiency acres over 50 irrigation acres per parcel
- \$3,672/acre for acres assessed to dry parcels (new acres)

11.01 River Supported Areas

The following applications were given consideration as they rated highest amongst the applications for the available 1,200 off-river, New Parcel irrigation acres for 2026 pursuant to Irrigation Acres Bylaw #976 (2024).

11.01.1 2125538 Alberta Ltd (Erich Van der Linde) – NE 20-19-15 W4M

- Assessment: 99 wiper pivot
- Proposal: complete 132 acre pivot circle; 33 acres needed (new)
- Notes: project not eligible for infill acres (infill acres have been maximized)

11.01.2 2382599 Alberta Ltd (Alisha Armstrong) – Sec 07-21-18 W4M

- Assessment: 0
- Proposal: install 2 pivots and 2 wiper pivots; 513 acres needed (new)
- Notes: irrigable unit required

11.01.3 Brent & Shauna Deschamps and Two Tone Ranching Ltd (Lee Deschamps) – Pt SE 07-21-15 W4M

- Assessment: 24 terminable acres
- Proposal: install 43 acre pivot; convert 24 terminable acres to irrigation acres;

- Notes: 19 acres needed (new)
parcel not eligible for infill acres; subject to using turnout #4265 or #4905 and obtaining finalized easement through adjacent landowner's parcel

11.01.4 Ethan & Ashleigh Hiebert – Pt NE 35-21-16 W4M

- Assessment: 34 acres wiper pivot (20 terminable acres converted to irrigation acres and 14 infill acres purchased)
- Proposal: complete 43 acre pivot; 9 acres needed (new)
- Notes: completing project; irrigable unit exists; project not eligible for infill acres (infill acres have been maximized); subject to entering into a rotational agreement

11.01.5 Serfas Farms Ltd (Kevin Serfas and Mark Serfas) – Sec 06 & S 07-20-16 W4M and E 01, Pt S 03, Sec 12 & S 14-20-17 W4M

- Assessment: 40 acres
- Proposal: install up to 12 pivots; 1,304 acres needed (new)
- Notes: up to 626 acres maximum may be granted; irrigable unit(s) required

[11:21 a.m. R. Hiebert declared a pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

[11:21 a.m. B. Deschamps declared a possible pecuniary interest and exited the meeting.]

2025-10-201 Moved by B. Schroeder that the Board approve the following “Infill Above 50 Acres, and New Parcel Acres Under River Support” irrigation applications for 2026:

- 2125538 Alberta Ltd (Erich Van der Linde) – NE 20-19-15 W4M;
- 2382599 Alberta Ltd (Alisha Armstrong) – Sec 07-21-13 W4M;
- Brent & Shauna Deschamps and Two Tone Ranching Ltd (Lee Deschamps) – Pt SE 07-21-15 W4M;
- Ethan & Ashleigh Hiebert – Pt NE 35-21-16 W4M; and
- Serfas Farms Ltd (Kevin Serfas and Mark Serfas) – Sec 06 & S 07-20-16 W4M and E 01, Pt S 03, Sec 12 & S 14-20-17 W4M (626 acres max).

Seconded by J. Alberts. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[11:22 a.m. R. Hiebert and B. Deschamps rejoined the meeting.]

The remaining applications were denied due to one or more of the following:

- the available 1,200 off river New Parcel irrigation acres had been allocated to higher rated applications
- the application did not meet “land classification” requirements
- the application did not meet “ability to deliver” water requirements
- the application did not meet overall minimum rating requirements
- the application did not meet all requirements of the *Irrigation Districts Act*, of note section 95
- the application was incomplete

The irrigation applications denied are listed as follows:

- 1719660 Alberta Ltd (Ben Van Dijk) – Sec 21-18-15 W4M
- 2125538 Alberta Ltd (Erich Van der Linde) – Pt W 22-18-15 W4M
- Van Hall Cattle Company Ltd (Henry & Janice Van Hall) – NW 26-15-16 W4M
- John & Teena Ketchmark – Pt W 22 & Pt NW 15-17-16 W4M

- James Buteau – W 25-18-16 W4M
- John Miller – SE 23-17-13 W4M
- North Butte Land & Cattle (Nevin & Tammara Torkelson) – SW 25-20-14 W4M
- Thomas Parker – SW 06-22-15 W4M
- Bruce Takeda Cattle Company (Bruce Takeda) – Sec 12-18-15 W4M
- Harley Tateson – Sec 32-14-15 W4M (120 acres)
- Harley Tateson – Sec 32-14-15 W4M (140 acres)
- Elizabeth Wall – SE 09-19-14 W4M

11.02 Reservoir Supported Areas

The following applications were given consideration as they rated highest amongst the applications for the available 1,800 under reservoir New Parcel irrigation acres for 2026 pursuant to Irrigation Acres Bylaw #976 (2024). 130 unapproved, under reservoir, New Parcel irrigation acres remain, and when added to the Carry Forward acres from applications for 2024 and 2025, less the acres used for District irrigation development during that time, a balance of 1,562 Carry Forward acres remains. The District has priority to these acres for its own irrigation development.

11.02.1 CO Johnson & Sons Ranches Ltd (Blaine Johnson and Warren Johnson) – SE 31-15-13 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 133 acre pivot; 133 acres needed (new)
- Notes: irrigable unit required

11.02.2 CO Johnson & Sons Ranches Ltd (Blaine Johnson and Warren Johnson) – SW 31-15-13 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 136 acre pivot; 136 acres needed (136 new)
- Notes: irrigable unit required

11.02.3 The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View – Pt Sec 13-24-16 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 329 acre wiper pivot; 329 acres needed (new)
- Notes: irrigable unit required

11.02.4 Alberta Forage Farming Inc (Joelle Faulkner) – Sec 04-21-13 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 415 acre corner arm pivot; transfer 74 acres; 341 acres needed (341 new)
- Notes: irrigable unit required; subject to finalized easement through the landowner's adjacent parcel

11.02.5 The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View – Pt E 10-24-16 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 134 acre wiper pivot; 134 acres needed (new)
- Notes: irrigable unit required

11.02.6 J4 Ranch Inc (Jason & Michelle Hemsing and James & Tina Regan) – SE 31-19-13

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 134 acre pivot; convert 10 terminable acres to irrigation acres; 124 acres needed (new)

11.02.7 1078828 Alberta Ltd (Lee Pickett) – W 21-22-17 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 134 acre pivot and 48 acre wiper pivot; 182 acres needed (new)
- Notes: irrigable unit required; County R/A approval required

11.02.8 Lee & Shirley Pickett – NW 16-22-17 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 81 acre pivot; 81 acres needed (new)
- Notes: irrigable unit required

11.02.9 1719660 Alberta Ltd (Berend Van Dijk) – Pending sale to Cruz Lite Farms Ltd (Albino Hildebrandt) – NE 07-18-14 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 74 acre wiper pivot; 74 acres needed (new)
- Notes: pending sale of land

11.02.10 C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd (Lee & Cindi Beasley) – SW 05-20-13 W4M

- Assessment: 0 acres
- Proposal: install 136 acre pivot; 136 acres needed (new)
- Notes: 5R soils - must be retested in 5/10 years

2025-10-202 Moved by J. Alberts that the Board approve the following “Infill Above 50 Acres, and New Parcel Acres Under Reservoir Support” irrigation applications for 2026:

- **CO Johnson & Sons Ranches Ltd (Blaine Johnson and Warren Johnson) – SE 31-15-13;**
- **CO Johnson & Sons Ranches Ltd (Blaine Johnson and Warren Johnson) – SW 31-15-13;**
- **The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View – Pt Sec 13-24-16 W4M;**
- **Alberta Forage Farming Inc (Joelle Faulkner) – Sec 04-21-13 W4M;**
- **The Hutterian Brethren of Spring View – Pt E 10-24-16 W4M;**
- **J4 Ranch Inc (Jason & Michelle Hemsing and James & Tina Regan) – SE 31-19-13 W4M;**
- **1078828 Alberta Ltd (Lee Pickett) – W 21-22-17 W4M;**
- **Lee & Shirley Pickett (NW 16-22-17 W4M);**
- **1719660 Alberta Ltd (Ben Van Dijk) – Pending sale to Cruz Lite Farms Ltd (Albino Hildebrandt) – NE 07-18-14 W4M; and**
- **C & L Beasley Cattle (2014) Ltd (Lee & Cindi Beasley) – SW 05-20-13 W4M.**

Seconded by J. Ketchmark. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The remaining applications were denied due to one or more of the following:

- the available 1,800 under reservoir New Parcel irrigation acres located downstream of either Lake Newell Reservoir or Crawling Valley Reservoir had been allocated to higher rated applications
- the application did not meet “land classification” requirements
- the application did not meet “ability to deliver” water requirements
- the application did not meet overall minimum rating requirements

- the application did not meet all requirements of the *Irrigation Districts Act*, of note section 95
- the application was incomplete

The irrigation applications denied are listed as follows:

- 591155 Alberta Ltd (Doerksen) – SW 08-22-16 W4M
- 591155 Alberta Ltd (Doerksen) – N 15, NW 16, W 21 & SW 22-22-16 W4M

2025-10-203 Moved by B. Schmidt that the Board resolve into the Committee of the Whole. Seconded by J. Ketchmark. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

[12:02 p.m. – 12:38 p.m. Lunch break.]

12.0 Irrigation Acres Bylaw

13.0 Capital Assets Charges Bylaw

[1:58 p.m. – 2:06 p.m. Short break; S. Connauton exited the meeting; N. Fontaine re-entered.]

14.0 Sale of District Owned Lands Policy

10.0 Lands cont'd

10.01 Lands, Oil & Gas cont'd

10.01.2 Request to Trade Land – Brad Calvert (various)

[2:38 p.m. N. Fontaine exited the meeting; B. Kroschel entered.]

15.0 District Housing

[2:45 p.m. B. Kroschel exited the meeting; R. Drader entered.]

16.0 Safety Program Update

[3:13 p.m. R. Drader exited the meeting.]

17.0 Legal Updates

8.0 Engineering cont'd

8.01 Antelope Creek Pipeline

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events cont'd

4.01 Alberta Irrigation Districts Association – Executive Committee Meeting

18.0 Draft Newsletter

2025-10-204 Moved by J. Ketchmark that the meeting be reconvened. Seconded by J. Alberts. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DIRECTION ARISING FROM THE IN CAMERA PORTION OF THE MEETING

12.0 Irrigation Acres Bylaw

A draft Irrigation Acres Bylaw will be brought back to the November meeting for consideration of suggested revisions and 1st reading.

13.0 Capital Assets Charges Bylaw

1st reading of the Capital Assets Charges Bylaw was conducted once reconvened.

14.0 Sale of District Owned Lands Policy

A motion was carried once reconvened.

10.0 Lands cont'd

10.01 Lands, Oil & Gas cont'd

10.01.2 Request to Trade Land – Brad Calvert (various)

A response to the landowner's request to be deferred until further policy discussions are held at the upcoming Corporate Planning sessions.

15.0 District Housing

Direction was given to Admin.

16.0 Safety Program Update

A verbal summary was given of the Safety Program to date along with some near term public initiatives being considered. Directors will be involved in occasional project safety meetings again this construction season.

17.0 Legal Updates

Directors were provided with an update on a few legal matters.

8.0 Engineering cont'd

8.01 Antelope Creek Pipeline

Direction was given to Admin.

4.0 Reports on Meetings / Events cont'd

4.01 Alberta Irrigation Districts Association – Executive Committee Meeting

Directors were provided with an update on AIDA matters.

18.0 Draft Newsletter

A completed draft newsletter will be brought back to the November meeting, for a likely distribution date of early December.

CONTINUATION OF THE AGENDA

13.0 Capital Assets Charges Bylaw

The Capital Assets Charges Bylaw will be brought back to the November meeting for further discussion and possible 2nd and 3rd readings.

2025-10-205 Moved by B. Schroeder that the capital assets charges be increased from:

- \$765/acre to \$2,000/acre for conversion of terminable acres to irrigation acres;
- \$1,530/acre to \$2,000/acre for the purchase of infill and efficiency acres up to 50 acres per parcel; and
- \$3,672/acre to \$4,000/acre for the purchase of new acres or infill and efficiency acres over 50 acres per parcel;

within Capital Assets Charges Bylaw #981 (2025) and that the bylaw be introduced and read the first time this 28th day of October 2025. Seconded by R. Hiebert. CARRIED

IN FAVOUR – R. Hiebert, D. Peltzer, B. Deschamps, J. Alberts, B. Schroeder, T. Hemsing

OPPOSED – J. Ketchmark

14.0 Sale of District Owned Lands Policy

The Sale of District Owned Lands Policy is to be presented for review by the Board in October of each year. Examples of recent land sales in various District locations were also examined. The following adjustments were made.

2025-10-206 Moved by R. Hiebert that the Sale of District Owned Land Policy:

- clause 2.04(a) be amended from \$2,500 to \$3,000/acre for acres without assessment, and
- clause 2.04(b) be amended from \$10,500/acre to \$14,000/acre for acres with assessment, inclusive of capital assets costs.

Seconded by J. Ketchmark. CARRIED

IN FAVOUR – R. Hiebert, D. Peltzer, J. Alberts, J. Ketchmark, B. Schroeder, T. Hemsing

OPPOSED – B. Deschamps

Policy parameters to undergo further review at the upcoming Corporate Planning sessions.

R. Hiebert moved adjournment of the meeting at 3:50 p.m.



Chairman

General Manager