



Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission

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IDAHO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING & TELECONFERENCE

Date and Time:

September 18, 2025
10:01 AM – 11:52 AM MST

Location:

322 E. Front St., Suite 560
Boise, Idaho 83702

MINUTES

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Erik Olson (Chair) (Z)	Blake Hollingsworth (Secretary/Treasurer)(Z)
Wendy Pratt (Vice Chair) (Z)	Joan Cloonan
Mitch Silvers (Z)	Richard Savage (Z)

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT:

Mat Weaver (Administrator)(Z)	Loretta Strickland (Ag Program Manager) (Z)
Melonie Ziegler (Fiscal Manager)	Bill Lillibridge (Lead Engineer) (Z)
Sarah Quidgeon (Natural Res.)	Brenda Charles (Loan Assistant)
Kaitlyn Parks (Natural Res.)	George Hitz (Operations Manager) (Z)
Madison Vargovich (Natural Res.) (Z)	

PARTNERS AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Marshall Toryanski (OAG)	Karla Freeman (Kootenai/Shoshone SWD) (Z)
Sarah Garcia (Bonner SWD) (Z)	Tom Daniel (Boundary SWD) (Z)
Bryant Kuechle (Langdon) (Z)	Tori O'Neal (Custer SWD) (Z)
Christina Tierney (Z)	Julie Lalcatos (Z)
Ryan Laurence (Z)	Jessica Harrold (Ada SWD) (Z)
Judy Dietch (Adams) (Z)	

ITEM #1: WELCOME, SELF-INTRODUCTIONS AND ROLL CALL**Presented by: Chairman Olson**

Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM

Roll call: Chairman Erik Olson, Commissioners Wendy Pratt, Blake Hollingsworth, Richard Savage, Joan Cloonan and Mitch Silvers were present.

ITEM #2: AGENDA REVIEW

Presented by: Chairman Olson

ITEM #3: PARTNER REPORTS

Action: None Taken

ITEM #4: REPORTS COMMISSIONERS & STAFF ONLY

Action: None Taken

ITEM #5 ISWCC-IDWR STRATEGIC ANALYSIS PROGRESS REPORT

Action: None Taken.

ITEM #6 IASCD FALL CONFERENCE AND DIVISION MEETING REVIEW

Action: None Taken

ITEM #7: COMMISSIONER TRAVEL

Action: None Taken

ITEM #8: ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Action: None Taken

ITEM #9: MINUTES

Action: Motion to approve the method and process of the distribution set forth in the memo of the recommended November allocations.

- Determination of District local fund eligibility for State Match, based on staff and District Allocation Working Group recommendations, original match distribution calculations, as recommended by staff, prior to the 3% holdback (\$858,800), for comparison only, the 3% holdback of Operating and Match funds, in accordance with Executive Order 2025-05 and negotiations between the Governor's office and DFM. The holdback will be subtracted from the undistributed Match funds. An additional 5% of the total Trustee & Benefits funds that are subject to the 3% holdback (Operating and Match funds) will be held in reserve and not distributed as Match funds until projected state revenues are more solidified (i.e. 3rd quarter), or before at ISWCC's discretion. This reserve would be dispersed in a second match fund distribution to Districts if there are no further holdbacks. All funds not subject to the 3% holdback or held in reserve (5%) would be distributed in November, on the regular schedule.

1st by Commissioner Cloonan and 2nd by Commissioner Hollingsworth, all approved.

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn meeting by 1st Commissioner Hollingsworth and 2nd by Commissioner Cloonan, motion approved at 11:52 AM. The next Regular Commission Meeting will be on December 20, 2025, at 10:00 AM MT in Boise, Idaho.

Respectfully submitted