



**California Association Of Mutual Water Companies Joint Powers Risk And Insurance
Management Authority Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 18, 2025 – 1:30 PM**

1. Call to Order. President Michalko called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm.
2. Roll Call of Authority Directors.

<i>Present:</i> Dave Michalko, Valencia Heights Water Company – <i>President</i> Dave Armstrong, South Mesa Water Company Korey Bradbury, Montebello Land and Water Company - <i>Secretary</i> Ryan Nunneley, Oildale Mutual Water Company David Pedersen, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District, <i>Vice President</i> Ken Tcheng, Sunny Slope Water Company Marina West, Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency – <i>Treasurer</i> Lisa Yamashita-Lopez, Rubio Cañon Land and Water Association	<i>Staff:</i> Susan Allen, Chief Executive Officer Jim Ciampa, Legal Counsel Karina Cervantez, CalMutuals Managing Director Paul Fuller, Insurance Administrator Gloria Galindo, Financial Manager Chase Gilmore, Insurance Administrator George Pappas, Insurance Administrator Ceili Tuttle, CalMutuals & JPRIMA Staff
	<i>Absent:</i> Lynda Noriega, California Domestic Water Company Adan Ortega, Communications Director
3. Public comment. No public comment.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the JPRIMA Board Meeting on October 21, 2025. On a motion by Vice President Pedersen, seconded by Secretary Bradbury, the minutes of the October 21, 2025 Board of Directors meeting were approved by roll call vote of 8-0.
5. President’s Report. No President’s report.
6. Consideration and Approval of Demand Sheet. Financial Manager Galindo reviewed the Demand Sheet included in the Board of Directors’ meeting packet. Demands this month included typical management and legal consulting fees, the last payment to CLA for the Authority’s audit, and the Q4 grant distribution to CalMutuals. On a motion by Director Armstrong, seconded by Vice President Pedersen, the Board approved the Demand Sheet by roll call vote of 8-0.
7. Financial Report. Financial Manager Galindo provided an overview of the budget and cash flow report included in the Board meeting packet. Financial Manager Galindo will have a finalized budget for the Board to review at the December board meeting. On a motion by Secretary Bradbury, seconded by Director Armstrong, the Board approved the financial report for receipt and filing by roll call vote of 8-0.

8. Chief Executive Officer's Report.

- a. *CalMutuals October 2025 Grant-Related Activity Report.* Ms. Tuttle provided an overview of the grant-related activity report for the period ending October 31, 2025, included in the meeting packet.
- b. *Update to Voting on the Proposed Amendments to the Authority's JPA.* Ms. Tuttle reported that there are 217 returned 'Yes' votes in support of the amendments to the Authority's JPA agreement. 37 further 'Yes' votes are needed to reach the 50%+1 quorum requirement. She further stated that last week, staff mailed flyers to the 277 members who have not yet voted, urging them to return their ballots. Staff will continue to update the Board as ballots are returned. The 90-day voting extension window closes on December 28, 2025. Legal Counsel Ciampa advised that the Board can extend the voting period again if quorum is not met in the current 90-day period.
- c. *Follow up to 2025 California Water Association Summit in Monterey.* CEO Allen and Insurance Administrator Gilmore recently presented to the Small Systems Committee of the California Water Association at their Summit in Monterey, California. Their presentation focused on the new legislation, Assembly Bill 428, which permits investor-owned utilities in California to participate in joint powers insurance authorities, including CalMutuals JPRIMA. The presentation also provided insights into the benefits offered by JPRIMA and highlighted the organization's conservative approach, particularly concerning wildfire risks and the mitigation of associated hazards.

9. Insurance Administrator's Report.

- a. *Insurance Report for the period ending October 31, 2025.* Insurance Administrator Gilmore reviewed the insurance report ending on October 31, 2025, provided in the Board meeting packet.

Insurance Administrator Fuller also reported that he will travel to New York for the second meeting with the Authority's reinsurer to finalize capacity and rates, given the new eligibility for investor-owned utilities. In this meeting, he will further clarify the liability resulting from exposure of public water systems to wildfire. He will have a report for the December or January Board meeting.

- b. *Update on Collaboration to address Wildfire liability.* Insurance Administrator Fuller will present on a panel at the Association of California Water Agencies' 2025 Fall conference on December 3 in the afternoon. He invited the Board to attend.

10. Legal Counsel's Report.

- a. *Consider support position on proposed legislation to provide for state identification card program for water system workers.* General Counsel Ciampa shared that following the Eaton Fire, water utilities reported difficulties in reaching emergency areas. Checkpoint personnel failed to recognize water utility vehicles, as they did for gas and electric utilities. The Public Water Agencies Group has drafted related legislation and is considering which state agency would be best suited to issue access passes in order to keep red tape to a minimum. The legislation would establish a statewide certification card

to be issued by the Office of Emergency Services. Senator Bob Archuleta has expressed interest in authoring the legislation, and Assembly Member Harabedian may also be interested in joining as an author. The bill is expected to have wide support in the water industry.

On a motion by Director Tcheng, seconded by Director Armstrong, the Board approved to support the proposed legislation to provide for a state identification card program for water system workers on a roll call vote of 8-0.

11. Communications Report. No communications report.
12. Director Comments. No Director comments.
13. Adjournment. President Michalko adjourned the meeting at 1:59 pm.

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE:

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes approved by the Board of Directors.

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Corey Bradbury, CalMutuals JPRIMA Secretary

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P. David Michalko, CalMutuals JPRIMA President