

Crystal Springs Water District

Domestic Water System

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August 21, 2025

Vice President James Jans called the August Board meeting to order at 3:00pm. Other commissioners present were Eric Cederstam, Craig Ortega, and Larry Brown. Non-members present: Attorney Mark Womble, Tom Ferrell of Pace Engineering, Superintendent Fred Schatz, and Office Manager Brian O'Shaughnessy.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice President Jans opened the Public Comment period at 3:02. No members of the public were present.

Commissioners unanimously approved of the July 2025 regular meeting minutes.
(Ortega/Cederstam)

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Superintendent Schatz provided an overview of July 2025 bills paid. The Board unanimously ratified the payment of the July 2025 bills. (Brown/Cederstam)

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Superintendent Schatz reviewed one new water service application. Commissioners unanimously approved the request for the following... (Cederstam/Brown)

Steve Norton / 6765 Cooper Spur (3/4")

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Superintendent Schatz presented the August Superintendent's Report, addressing the maintenance crew's progress on meter/valve replacements, and pipe projects for July. There was a total of 112 work orders, 36 locate requests, 7 leaks repaired, 18 pressure issues resolved, and continued hydrant maintenance. The Superintendent also gave an update on the Hwy 35 Cooper Spur 8" joint project with the Mt. Hood Irrigation District. 1,580' of 8" ductile iron pipe was installed, replacing an existing 2" galvanized line. By extending the line northward, all previously served connections can be transitioned to the new line.

In addition, the Superintendent briefed the commissioners on the timber sale source water protection area. The Hood River County Forestry Department has submitted a permit application for herbicide use. They have revised their plan to utilize ground application methods exclusively, abandoning any intention of aerial spraying. This generally allows for more targeted treatment and reduced drift, potentially mitigating broader environmental impact compared to aerial dispersal. Of particular concern is whether the proposed herbicide application site falls within the district's designated source water protection area. The Superintendent is currently waiting for a response from the State Forester to obtain comprehensive details of the permit. Further updates will be provided as more information becomes available from the State Forester.

Tom Ferrell of Pace Engineering distributed the executive summary, along with the CIP cut sheets for the master plan to the commissioners for review and responded to questions.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 4:07pm by unanimous consent.

Mike McCafferty President

Eric Cederstam Secretary