



# SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY

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## COMMISSION MEETING OF THE SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025 – 10:00 A.M.  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**TURLOCK IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
333 E. CANAL DRIVE  
BOARD ROOM 105  
TURLOCK, CA 95380**

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### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

Members of the public will have the opportunity to provide public input in-person or via the webinar or phone features. If you wish to speak, click on the “Raise Hand” button via Zoom, or press \*9 if using a phone, and wait until your name (or other identifying information) is called by the Commission Secretary.

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Meeting ID: 978 6473 1054

### **2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

### **3. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS**

### **4. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (5 minutes per speaker)**

This time is provided for the public to address the Commissioners of the Authority on matters of concern that fall within the jurisdiction of the Authority that are not on the agenda. Speakers are encouraged to consult Member Management or Directors prior to agenda preparation regarding any Authority operation or responsibility as no action will be taken on non-agenda issues.

### **5. MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF JULY 23, 2025**

6. **MOTION TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT**  
Presentation and acceptance of the Treasurer's Report through September 30, 2025.  
- Ashley Millsap, SJTA Treasurer
7. **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2026 REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE**  
Consider approving the SJTA 2026 Regular Meeting Schedule pursuant to Article 7, Section 7.1 of the SJTA Joint Powers Agreement; and in accordance with provisions of California Government Code Section 6592.1.  
- Andree Lee, SJTA Executive Director
8. **MOTION TO APPROVE THE NEW SJTA LOGO**  
Consider a motion approving the new SJTA Logo selection.  
- Andree Lee, SJTA Executive Director
9. **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE 2026 WORK PLAN AND FISCAL YEAR BUDGET**  
Consider a resolution approving the SJTA 2026 Work Plan and Fiscal Year Budget.  
- Andree Lee, SJTA Executive Director
10. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**  
Update on the Strategic Plan implementation and SJTA activities.  
- Andree Lee, SJTA Executive Director
11. **MOTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**
  - A. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**  
California Government Code Section 54956.9  
San Joaquin Tributaries Authority, et al vs. California State Water Resources Control Board  
Tuolumne County Superior Court – Case Number CV62094  
Judicial Council Coordinated Proceeding No.5013  
- Valerie Kincaid, Legal Counsel
  - B. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**  
California Government Code Section 54956.9  
San Joaquin Tributaries Authority vs. California State Water Resources Control Board  
Fresno County Superior Court – Case No. 21CECG02632  
Judicial Council Coordinated Proceeding No. 5229  
- Valerie Kincaid, Legal Counsel
  - C. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**  
California Government Code Section 54956.9  
San Joaquin Tributaries Authority, et al vs. California State Water Resources Control Board  
Fresno County Superior Court – Case No. 23CECG04201  
- Valerie Kincaid, Legal Counsel
  - D. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation**  
California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)-(3)  
Anticipated Litigation – one potential case  
Potential future State Water Board Action  
- Valerie Kincaid, Legal Counsel

12. RECONVENE - REPORT OF ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
13. MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA
14. NEXT REGULAR MEETING DATE - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M.  
*(Note: this date to be considered by the Commission in Agenda Item 7)*
15. MOTION TO ADJOURN

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING  
OF THE SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY**

Turlock, California  
23 July 2025

The Commission Meeting of the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority was called to order at 2:04 p.m. in special session on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2025, conducted in-person from the Turlock Irrigation District located at 333 E. Canal Drive, Turlock, CA, via Zoom Webinar, and the remote teleconference locations as described on the agenda.

Present were the following representatives of the member agencies:

Michael Frantz – Turlock Irrigation District (*remote teleconference*)  
Kate Stacy – City and County of San Francisco (*remote teleconference*)  
Robert Frobose – Modesto Irrigation District, Vice Chair (*remote teleconference*)  
Glenn Spyksma – South San Joaquin Irrigation District, Chair (*remote teleconference*)

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Member of the public Peter Drekmeier addressed the Commission to express excitement for some of the changes underway for the SJTA, his hope that it will be more focused on community engagement and efforts/solutions to find common ground, shared concerns with the Strategic Communications Plan survey, and his desire to work with SJTA.

**MOTION APPROVING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Moved by Commissioner Frantz, seconded by Commissioner Stacy, that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 12, 2025, be approved as presented.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes:	Commissioners Frantz, Stacy, Frobose, and Spyksma
Noes:	None
Absent:	None

All voted in favor with none opposed. The Chair declared the motion carried.

**MOTION APPROVING TREASURER'S REPORT**

SJTA Treasurer Ashley Millsap presented an overview of the Treasurer's Report with activity through June 30, 2025, including interest earned, total expenditures, and cash reconciliations for the money market and checking accounts.

Commissioner Spyksma and Ms. Millsap discussed the remaining budget for fiscal year 2025. Hearing no further comments, the Commission took the following action:

Moved by Commissioner Frantz, seconded by Commissioner Stacy, that the Treasurer's Report through June 30, 2025, be approved as presented.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes:	Commissioners Frantz, Stacy, Frobose, and Spyksma
Noes:	None
Absent:	None

All voted in favor with none opposed. The Chair declared the motion carried.

### **MOTION CANCELING THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 11, 2025**

SJTA Executive Director Andree Lee informed the Commission that there are no action items to be considered at the August meeting and recommended canceling this meeting.

Hearing no comments, the Commission took the following action:

Moved by Commissioner Frobose, seconded by Commissioner Frantz, that the regular meeting of the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority scheduled for Monday, August 11, 2025 be canceled.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes:	Commissioners Frantz, Stacy, Frobose, and Spyksma
Noes:	None
Absent:	None

All voted in favor with none opposed. The Chair declared the motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03**

### **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PHASE 1 OF THE STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM AND AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2025 BUDGET FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAM**

SJTA Executive Director Andree Lee presented an overview of the proposed resolution to approve Phase 1 of the Strategic Communications Program, including background and purpose of the Program, goals, approach, two potential phases (Phase 1 & 2), and details of the Phase 1 scope and budget. Ms. Lee highlighted the services to be provided by Harris Research and Nancer Communications, associated schedule over the 4-month period, and next steps including results and recommendations to be shared with the Commission at the November meeting. Ms. Lee reviewed the proposed budget increase of \$132,000 for fiscal year 2025, noting no additional cash call is required as the 2024 carryover funds and revenue from interest earned are available to support the expenditure.

Commissioners and Ms. Lee discussed details of the public opinion poll data points, development of key messages, and outreach related to the media buy. Commissioners also expressed appreciation for the efforts expended and next steps.

Member of the public Peter Drekmeier addressed the Commission regarding the survey, expressing his hope that it will be objective and his willingness to assist in the formulation of survey questions.

Hearing no further comments, the Commission took the following action:

Moved by Commissioner Frobose, seconded by Commissioner Stacy, that the resolution approving Phase 1 of the SJTA Strategic Communications Program; and approving an amendment to the 2025 fiscal year budget for implementation of the Program; and authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract with Harris Research for an amount not to exceed \$87,000 for public polling and with Nancer Communications for an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for strategic communications support.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes:	Commissioners Frantz, Stacy, Frobose, and Spyksma
Noes:	None
Absent:	None

All voted in favor with none opposed. The Chair declared the resolution adopted.

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

SJTA Executive Director Andree Lee provided an update on the selection of the preferred vendor for website development, launch of branding efforts, and the completion of a draft version of the SJTA fact sheet and project inventory. Ms. Lee also noted that her contract does not align with the budget cycle and is set to expire at the end of September. She will be working with the SJTA General Managers to extend her contract in alignment with the budget cycle. Commissioner Spyksma thanked Ms. Lee for her flexibility regarding the contract and expressed appreciation for her work thus far.

### **MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA**

There were none.

### **FUTURE MEETING**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 3, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, moved by Commissioner Stacy, seconded by Commissioner Frantz, that the meeting be adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

All voted in favor with none opposed. The motion was carried.

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## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** San Joaquin Tributaries Authority  
**From:** SJTA Treasurer, Ashley Millsap  
**Issue:** **Motion to Accept Treasurer's Report**  
**Date:** November 03, 2025

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Attached (or below) please find the Treasurer's Report with activity through September 30, 2025.



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## 2025 Actual v. Budget

YTD as of September 30, 2025

	2025 Budget	2025 YTD Actual	Budget Variance	% of 2025 Budget YTD
<b>Revenue</b>				
Agencies Cash Call	\$ 1,058,484.76	\$ 1,058,484.76	\$ -	
Interest Earned/Received	\$ -	\$ 17,388.88	\$ 17,388.88	
Carryover	\$ 993,536.78	\$ 993,536.78	\$ -	
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 2,052,021.54</b>	<b>\$ 2,069,410.42</b>	<b>\$ 17,388.88</b>	
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Executive Director	\$ 291,634.75	\$ 201,551.82	\$ (90,082.93)	69%
Administrative Costs	\$ 237,850.00	\$ 132,468.00	\$ (105,382.00)	56%
Legal Costs	\$ 1,061,000.00	\$ 540,093.04	\$ (520,906.96)	51%
OID Settlement Payment	\$ -	\$ 84,928.81	\$ 84,928.81	
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 1,590,484.75</b>	<b>\$ 959,041.67</b>	<b>\$ (631,443.08)</b>	<b>60%</b>
<b>Revenue over Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 461,536.79</b>	<b>\$ 1,110,368.75</b>	<b>\$ 648,831.96</b>	





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## Cash Reconciliation for Money Market Account

Balance as of 6/30/25: \$ 917,232.08

Receipts:

\$ -	Cash Call ()	
\$ 5,704.88	Interest	
<u>\$ 5,704.88</u>		\$ 5,704.88

Disbursements:

\$ -	Transfer	
<u>\$ -</u>		\$ -

Balance as of 9/30/25:	Total Cash Balance:	<u><u>\$ 922,936.96</u></u>
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### Cash Reconciliation for Checking Account

Balance as of 6/30/25: \$ 848,254.56

Receipts:

\$	-	Cash Call ()	
\$	-	Transfer	
\$	-		\$ -

Disbursements:

\$ 107,609.23	EKI Environment & Water	
\$ 283,099.04	Paris Kincaid Wasiewski LLP	
\$ 5,170.00	Planeteria Media	
\$ 25,000.00	Port of Stockton	
\$ 34,680.00	The Harris Poll	
\$ 455,558.27		\$ (455,558.27)

Checking Balance as of 9/30/2025: \$ 392,696.29

Outstanding Disbursements

\$ 13,537.50	Chris Nance	
\$ 32,825.50	EKI Environment & Water	
\$ 124,221.50	Paris Kincaid Wasiewski LLP	
\$ 34,680.00	The Harris Poll	
\$ 205,264.50		\$ (205,264.50)

Total Adjusted Checking Balance: \$ 187,431.79

Total Money Market Balance: \$ 917,232.08

Total Cash Balance as of 9/30/2025: \$ 1,104,663.87



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## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** San Joaquin Tributaries Authority  
**From:** SJTA Executive Director, Andree Lee  
**Issue:** **Resolution to Approve the 2026 Regular Meeting Schedule**  
**Date:** November 3, 2025

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### Background

Pursuant to Article 7, Section 7.1 of the of the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority (SJTA) Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), the Commission shall hold at least one regular meeting each calendar quarter at a time and place set by the Commission, and such other times as may be determined by the Commission.

### Proposed 2026 Regular Meeting Schedule

Monday, February 9, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, May 11, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, August 10, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, November 9, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

The SJTA Bylaws will be updated to reflect quarterly meetings held on the second Monday of February, May, August, and November at 10:00 a.m. at its official meeting location.

Regular meetings of the SJTA will be held at the Turlock Irrigation District Board Room located at 333 E. Canal Drive, Turlock, CA, unless agendized otherwise.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 4**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE  
SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2026**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 7, Section 7.1 of the of the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority (SJTA) Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), the Commission shall hold at least one regular meeting each calendar quarter at a time and place set by the Commission, and such other times as may be determined by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, furthermore, the legislature adopted additional provisions in California Government Code Section 6592.1 which states actions regarding financing shall be adopted by an authority only during a regular meeting held pursuant to Section 54954.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority that the following regular meeting schedule be approved for 2026:

Monday, February 9, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, May 11, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, August 10, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, November 9, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that SJTA Bylaws shall be amended to reflect the scheduling of quarterly meetings on the second Monday of February, May, August, and November at 10:00 a.m., to be held at the official meeting location: Turlock Irrigation District Board Room located at 333 E. Canal Drive, Turlock, CA, unless agendized otherwise.

Moved by Commissioner , seconded by Commissioner , that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

The Chair declared the resolution \_\_\_\_\_.

I, Jennifer Land, Secretary of the Commission of the SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY, a California joint powers agency, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of said Commission thereof duly called and held at Turlock Irrigation District office held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2025.

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## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** San Joaquin Tributaries Authority  
**From:** SJTA Executive Director, Andree Lee  
**Issue:** **Motion to Approve the New SJTA Logo**  
**Date:** November 3, 2025

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This memorandum provides an update on the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority (SJTA) branding process and recommendations, including the proposed new SJTA logo.

### **Background**

SJTA's 2025 Work Plan included developing new branding in support of SJTA's "One Voice" goal. A clear and consistent brand will communicate SJTA's mission effectively to all stakeholders and ensure stakeholders understand SJTA's core values and commitments. A component of rebranding is developing a new logo.

### **Development Process**

The logo redesign process was completed through a collaborative and research-driven process, with input from the SJTA Communications Working Group (CWG) at multiple steps, in coordination with a branding consultant and professional designer. Multiple design concepts were evaluated with the CWG and SJTA General Managers to select a logo that best represents SJTA's mission, values, and future direction.

The rebranding process also considered SJTA's name and potential tagline. Recommendations included using the full name initially to build recognition, incorporating the "SJTA" initials for the established branding, and deferring selection of an official tagline to maintain flexibility.

### **Proposed New Logo**

The logo recommended by the SJTA General Managers and agency staff, identified as the "Unified Currents" concept, is provided as Option 1. The logo features SJTA above three flowing waves, symbolizing the tributaries of the San Joaquin River. The waves represent movement, water, and the organization's strong connection to regional waterways.

An alternate option, identified as the "Rivermark" concept, is provided as Option 2.

### **Next Steps**

Following the logo selection, SJTA will finalize logo production and associated templates and style guides. Logo and branding elements will also be incorporated into the new SJTA website, which is scheduled to launch in December.

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Commission approve the selection of the 'Unified Currents' logo concept (Option 1).

# Option 1 - Unified Currents

Draft




Primary



Secondary



Color

	Hex	CMYK	RGB
	#165083	100, 79, 30, 0	22, 80, 131
	#2C7EA6	82, 42, 20, 1	44, 126, 166
	#8ACB8F	48, 0, 58, 0	138, 203, 143

Black & White



Type

Poppins Medium  
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

Poppins Bold  
**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ**

Poppins Extrabold  
**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ**

The logo features SJTA above three flowing waves, symbolizing the tributaries of the San Joaquin River. The waves represent movement, water and the organization’s strong connection to regional waterways.

## Option 2 - Rivermark

Draft




### Primary



### Secondary



### Color

	Hex	CMYK	RGB
	#1C3557	96, 81, 40, 33	28, 53, 87
	#2C7EA6	82, 42, 20, 1	44, 126, 166
	#74C165	58, 0, 81, 0	116, 193, 101

### Black & White



### Type

Poppins Semibold

**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ**

Poppins Extrabold

**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ**

A circular logo mark with a river shaped like an S, symbolizing flow and connection.





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## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** San Joaquin Tributaries Authority  
**From:** SJTA Executive Director, Andree Lee  
**Issue:** **Resolution to Approve the FY 2026 Work Plan and Budget**  
**Date:** November 3, 2025

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This memorandum provides an overview of the proposed San Joaquin Tributaries Authority (SJTA) Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Work Plan and Budget. SJTA is seeking (1) input from the Commission to ensure alignment with priorities and (2) approval of the Proposed 2026 Work Plan and Budget.

### **Background**

SJTA adopted its Strategic Plan in 2021 to bring SJTA members together around a common vision, mission, and set of goals to leverage its collective assets and position itself for the future. The Strategic Plan established six overarching goals which serve as the foundation of SJTA's 2025 Work Plan, which was adopted by the Commission in May 2025..

The Proposed 2026 Budget and Work Plan was developed with in coordination with the SJTA General Managers, building on input received from the Commission during the 2025 Work Plan development process. The 2026 Work Plan and Budget focus on continuing progress on ongoing high-priority actions; implementing additional actions towards SJTA Strategic Plan goals, based on priority and available resources; minimizing new legal expenditures while continuing work on existing cases and maintaining flexibility; and maintaining cash calls consistent with historical levels and in alignment with individual member budgets.

### **Historical SJTA Budgets**

Since 2018, SJTA total budgets have ranged from \$1.2M to \$1.58M and total cash calls have ranged from \$950,000 to \$1.52M (\$190,000 to \$379,000 per member). Legal expenditures have historically constituted the most significant portion of the budget, averaging 77% of the total operating budget for the past 8 years. Cash calls per agency increased beginning in 2023 due to the reduced number of members.

The 2025 SJTA budget was \$1.46M with a total cash call of \$1.06M (about \$265,000 per member); the cash call was \$400,000 lower than the budget as it was offset by the legal fee reimbursement received in 2024.

### **Proposed 2026 Work Plan**

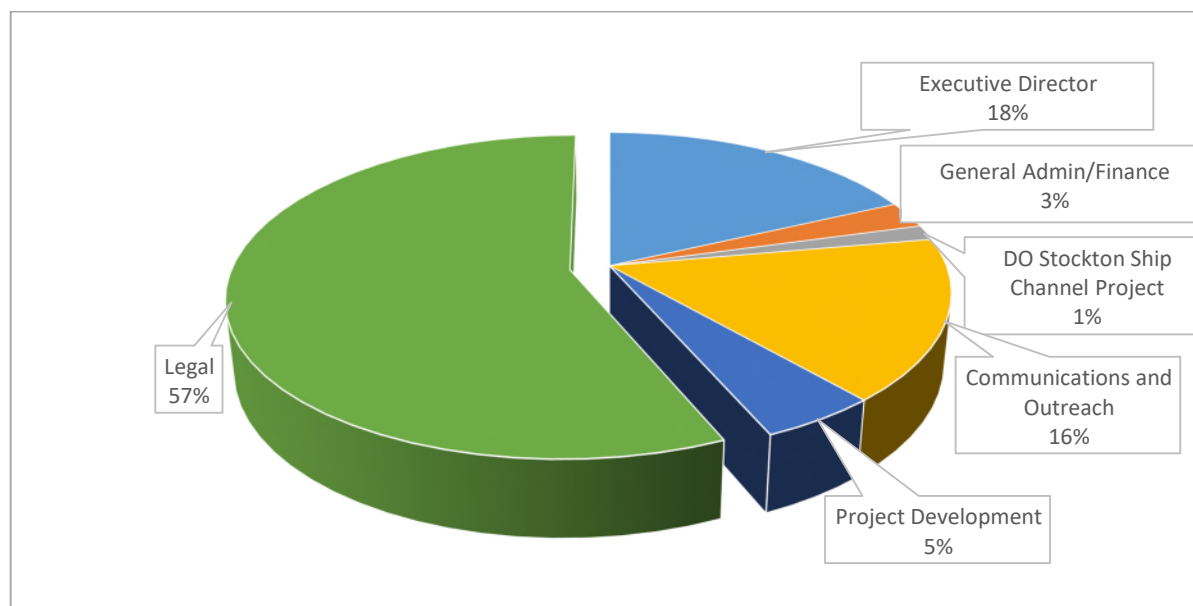
The Proposed 2026 Work Plan, provided in **Exhibit A**, includes 5 in-progress actions and 8 additional high and medium priority actions to be undertaken by SJTA. While the 2025 Work Plan focused primarily on actions related to SJTA’s “One Voice”, “Tell the Story”, and “Cultivate Relationships” Strategic Plan goals, the 2026 Work Plan also expands efforts related to the “Optimize Assets” and “Collaborate” goals. Key activities for 2026 include:

- Implementation of SJTA’s Communications Campaign (Phase 2 of the Strategic Communications Program);
- Implementation of identified stakeholder engagement activities, including hosting outreach events and engaging in industry forums;
- Identifying and developing joint, multi-benefit projects;
- Facilitating project collaboration and funding pursuits; and
- Reviewing SJTA’s membership structure and conducting outreach to potential members.

### **Proposed 2026 Budget**

The proposed 2026 SJTA Budget to implement the identified Work Plan, provided in **Exhibit B**, totals \$1.65 million. Budget breakdown by expenditure category is shown in Figure 1 below. Of the total budget, approximately 57% (\$935,000) is allocated to legal expenses. The remaining 43% (\$717,000) is allocated to other activities, including Executive Director services, implementation of the Strategic Communications Program, project development, and other administrative costs. The Proposed Budget represents an increase of 13% from 2025, primarily due to expanded activities in communication, engagement and outreach, and project development.

Figure 1: Proposed 2026 SJTA Budget by Category



### **Estimated 2025 Carryover**

The expected cash carryover from 2025 to 2026 is estimated to be \$700,000, which is approximately \$240,000 more than what was anticipated in the 2025 Budget. The additional carryover is primarily due to lower-than-expected legal costs.

### **Proposed 2026 Cash Call**

It is proposed that the 2026 cash call be offset by applying a portion of the 2025 carryover to fund the 2026 budget. Two options are presented below for consideration:

1. *Recommended Option:* Total cash call of \$1,412,000, or \$353,000 per member. This total cash call anticipates that \$240,000 of the anticipated 2025 carryover will be applied to the 2026 budget; approximately \$460,000 of carryover will be maintained as a cash reserve.
2. *Alternate Option:* Total cash call of \$1,192,000, or \$298,000 per member. This total cash call anticipates that \$460,000 of the anticipated 2025 carryover will be applied to the 2026 budget; approximately \$240,000 will be maintain as a cash reserve.

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Commission:

1. Approve the Proposed 2026 Work Plan; and
2. Adopt the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 budget of \$1,652,013 with a member agency cash call of \$353,000 each.

### Exhibit A - Proposed 2026 Work Plan

<b>SJTA Goal</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Status or Priority</b>
One Voice	Ongoing SJTA administration	Includes Commission meetings, agency coordination, and other administrative tasks associated day-to-day SJTA functions.	In Progress
One Voice	SJTA website administration	Ongoing maintenance and content updates for SJTA website	In Progress
Tell the Story	Implement SJTA Phase 2 Campaign	Manage development and implementation of the Phase 2 media campaign. Proposals to be solicited in late 2025 for Commission consideration in February 2026.	High
Tell the Story	Develop additional policy statements	Develop additional policy statements that convey SJTA's position on relevant and timely water management topics.	High
Tell the Story	Develop public outreach plan / speaker's bureau	Develop SJTA forum, inviting other San Joaquin River stakeholders, to provide a platform for information sharing and relationship building.	Medium
Tell the Story	Scope educational outreach program	Scope and procurement process for educational outreach program to engage students and communities (e.g., student curriculum, tours).	Medium
Cultivate Relationships	Implement Stakeholder Engagement Plan	Implement plan for proactive outreach, collaboration, and relationship-building with key partners.	High
Cultivate Relationships	Strengthen existing relationships	Strengthen and expand relationships through regulator communication and participation in industry forums.	In Progress
Cultivate Relationships	Strategic membership expansion	Review and consider of alternate membership structures (e.g., "associate members") to support future growth.	High
Cultivate Relationships	Strategic membership expansion	Conduct targeted outreach to selected potential SJTA members.	In Progress
Optimize Assets	Enhance understanding of system's connectivity	Provide maps, storymaps, or other visualizations of system interconnections to support decision-making and communication.	Medium

**Exhibit A - Proposed 2026 Work Plan**

Optimize Assets	Identify, develop, and implement joint, multi-benefit projects	Develop, in coordination with SJTA agencies, project concepts and facilitate selection of a subset of project concepts for further development.	High
Collaborate	Facilitate discussions with partners around shared initiatives	Evaluate and pursue funding for SJTA agency projects and joint initiatives.	High

## Exhibit B – 2026 Proposed Budget

Executive Director Contract	<u>\$298,288</u>
Admin Staff Cost	\$25,000
DO Stockton Ship Channel Project	\$ 25,000
Banking and CPA Expenses	\$ 5,000
Court and Record Fees	\$ 10,000
Website Hosting and Admin	\$ 3,600
Stakeholder Engagement and Public Outreach	\$ 20,000
Strategic Communications Program	\$ 250,000
Other Consultant Expenses	\$ 80,000
Total Admin Costs	<u>\$ 418,600</u>
Legal (Paris Kincaid)	<u>\$935,125</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,652,013</b>
<i>Applied 2025 Carryover</i>	<i>\$240,013</i>
<b>Cash Call per Agency</b>	<b>\$353,000</b>

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 5**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY  
2026 WORK PLAN AND 2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Proposed 2026 Work Plan, provided in Exhibit A, includes 5 in progress actions and 8 additional high and medium priority actions to be undertaken by SJTA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 11, Section 11.1 of the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority (SJTA) Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), the Commission shall approve a budget before the beginning of each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the SJTA Treasurer in coordination with the SJTA Executive Director have developed a proposed budget for fiscal year 2026 totaling \$1.65 million in expenses (as detailed in Exhibit B); and

WHEREAS, the proposed budget for fiscal year 2026 will result in a cash call of \$353,000 from each member agency (as detailed in Exhibit B) for operation of the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority and associated business.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority that the proposed work plan and budget for fiscal year 2026 in the amount of \$1.65 million are hereby approved, along with a cash call of \$353,000 from each member agency.. The cash call payment due date will be January 31, 2026 or an alternate date as determined by the Commission.

Moved by Commissioner , seconded by Commissioner , that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Upon roll call the following vote was had:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

The Chair declared the resolution \_\_\_\_\_.

I, Jennifer Land, Secretary of the Commission of the SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY, a California joint powers agency, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a special meeting of said Commission thereof duly called and held at Turlock Irrigation District office held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2025.

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Secretary to the Commission of the  
SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY