

The Colorado River Commission of Nevada (Commission) meeting was held at 1:32 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, at the Clark County Government Center, Commission Chambers, 500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89155.

COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

Chairwoman
Vice Chairwoman
Commissioner
Commissioner
Commissioner

Puoy K. Premsrirut
Kara J. Kelley
Marilyn Kirkpatrick
Dan H. Stewart
Steve Walton

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT VIA TELECONFERENCE

Commissioner

Cody Winterton

COMMISSIONER NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Commissioner

Allen J. Puliz

DEPUTY ATTORNEY(S) GENERAL

Special Counsel, Attorney General

Michelle D. Briggs

COMMISSION STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Executive Director
Senior Assistant Director
Chief of Finance and Administration
Assistant Director, Energy Information Systems
Assistant Director, Engineering and Operations
Assistant Director, Hydropower
Assistant Director, Natural Resources
Chief Accountant
Senior Energy Accountant
Senior Energy Accountant
Power Systems Operations Manager
Power Systems Electrical Engineer
Senior Power Facilities Electrician
Power Systems Engineering Manager
Assistant Hydropower Manager
Hydropower Analyst
Hydrology & Modeling Analyst
System Coordinator
Applications Specialist
Executive Assistant Manager
Administrative Assistant IV
Administrative Assistant IV
Administrative Assistant III
Administrative Assistant II
Administrative Assistant II

Eric Witkoski
Sara Price
Douglas N. Beatty
Kaleb Hall
Joseph Stubitz
Gail Bates
Warren Turkett, Ph.D.
Gail L. Benton
Hyelim Hong
Ruidong Luo
Walter Shupe
Patrick Davis
Timmy Nededog
David Rodriguez
Matthew Alinsod
Elissa Emery
Feng-Wei Hung
Chris Smith
John Sagmani
Gina L. Goodman
Elsa Nava
Marissa Russell
Tamisha Randolph
Joshua Cleveland
Bobbie Hickman

Administrative Assistant II

Thyandra Lewis

OTHERS PRESENT: REPRESENTING

Clean Water Team
Department of Corrections
NV Energy
Overton Power District #5
Overton Power District #5
Self
Self
Self
Southern Nevada Water Authority
Valley Coop
Valley Electric Association, Inc.

Peter Beaulieu
Craig Chinery
Paulina Daouangpanya
Johnathan Denninghoff
Melissa Garcia
Taryn Alves
Matt McKissick
Jerry Zimmerle
Annalise Porter
Julio Diaz
Gabe De Guzman

COLORADO RIVER COMMISSION OF NEVADA

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The Colorado River Commission of Nevada (Commission) meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Puoy Premsrirut at 1:32 p.m., followed by the pledge of allegiance.

A. Conformance to Open Meeting Law.

Executive Director, Eric Witkoski, confirmed that the meeting was posted in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

B. Comments from the public. Members of the public are invited to comment on items on the meeting agenda or on items not contained therein. No action may be taken on a matter raised during public comment until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item for possible action.

Chairwoman Premsrirut asked if there were any comments from the public. There were none.

C. For Possible Action: Approval of minutes of June 9, 2026, meeting.

Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick moved to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2026, meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dan H. Stewart and approved by those present.

D. For Possible Action: Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. CRCGV-03 between the Colorado River Commission of Nevada and ILJIN ELECTRIC USA INC., increasing the contract price by \$374,930.46 to cover additional equipment costs, representing approximately ten percent of the original contract amount.

Vice Chairwoman Kara J. Kelley was present for this vote.

Mr. Witkoski introduced Item D and explained that the Commission approved the purchase of two power transformers for the Garnet Valley project in 2024. In 2025, ILJIN Electric USA, Inc. (ILJIN) notified staff that newly imposed federal tariffs would increase the equipment cost. Staff evaluated available alternatives and determined that continuing with ILJIN was the best option to maintain the project schedule.

The transformers were delivered in April 2026 and are fully assembled at the Garnet Valley site. ILJIN paid approximately \$26,000 under Tariff 122, which is under appeal, and approximately \$348,000 under the Section 232 tariff. At the request of Michelle D. Briggs, Special Counsel, ILJIN is pursuing the Tariff 122 appeal, and any refund received will be returned to the Commission.

Joseph Stubitz, Assistant Director of Engineering and Operations, confirmed that the equipment is on-site, the tariffs have been paid, and the alternative bidder could not meet the required project schedule.

Chairwoman Stewart moved to approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. CRCGV-03 between the Colorado River Commission of Nevada and ILJIN ELECTRIC USA INC., increasing the contract price by \$374,930.46 to cover additional equipment costs, representing approximately ten percent of the original contract amount. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kirkpatrick and approved by unanimous vote.

E. *For Possible Action: Approval of Amendment No. 4 to Boulder Flats Solar Interconnection Project Contract CRCBF-14 between the Colorado River Commission of Nevada and Summit Line Construction, Inc., to add funds for site fuel, security, equipment relocation, and additional labor for required work in the amount of \$84,291.67, and to include a contingency amount of approximately sixteen percent, for a total amount not to exceed \$92,721.*

Mr. Witkoski introduced Item E for possible action.

Mr. Stubitiz explained that the project breakers were delivered in May 2026 and that staff have a limited window, extending through early October, to complete the transmission-line cutover without risking an unplanned outage during the high-demand season.

He noted that the generator fuel and equipment relocation work is necessary to ensure the project is completed by the end of October 2026. Fuel is required to keep the air-conditioning systems operating, which in turn maintain proper temperatures for the flooded lead-acid batteries that are essential for system control and protection. These batteries must remain within a specific temperature range to preserve their design life.

The amendment covers generator fuel, equipment relocation, continued rental of on-site storage containers, security, and additional labor needed to complete the work. Generator fuel is required to operate air-conditioning equipment that maintains the flooded lead-acid control and protection batteries within their required temperature range.

In response to a question from Chairwoman Premrsirut, Mr. Witkoski confirmed that the contingency is intended to address fuel-price volatility.

Chairwoman Kirkpatrick moved to approve Amendment No. 4 to Contract CRCBF-14 between the Commission and Summit Line Construction, Inc., for a total amount not to exceed \$92,721. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Steve Walton and approved by unanimous vote.

F. *For Possible Action: Consideration of an application from Southern Nevada Water Authority and Titanium Metals Corporation requesting approval of a change to the holder of an entitlement to appropriate water from the Colorado River pursuant to NRS 538.171 and NRS 538.181.*

Mr. Witkoski introduced Item F and summarized the draft order prepared by Ms. Briggs, Special Counsel. He explained that, after Basic Water Company could no longer provide service and subsequently entered bankruptcy, an interim arrangement was established for the City of Henderson to deliver water to Titanium Metals Corporation (TIMET). A long-term arrangement is now proposed among TIMET, Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA), and the Las Vegas Valley Water District.

Under the proposed water assignment agreement, TIMET will assign 910 acre-feet of Colorado River water to SNWA. SNWA will make the water available to the Las Vegas Valley Water District, which will authorize the City of Henderson to continue serving TIMET.

Mr. Witkoski explained that the Commission must approve the requested change and make a recommendation to the Bureau of Reclamation before the applicable Section 5 contracts may be amended.

In response to a question from Commissioner Kirkpatrick, Ms. Briggs confirmed that Commission approval is the final state-level step before the request is transmitted to the United States for the necessary contract changes.

Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved to approve the application from SNWA and TIMET requesting a change to the holder of the Colorado River water entitlement pursuant to NRS 538.171 and NRS 538.181. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Walton and approved by unanimous vote.

G. <i>For Possible Action:</i> Approval of the proposed budget of the Colorado River Commission of Nevada for Fiscal Years 2028 and 2029 for submittal to the Governor’s Finance Office by August 31, 2026, and for consideration in the 2027 Legislative Session.
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Mr. Witkoski introduced Item G.

Douglas N. Beatty, Chief of Finance and Administration, explained that the proposed budget was presented to the Commission at its June 9, 2026, meeting and subsequently reviewed with customers. Customers raised no concerns requiring changes. The budget presented for approval was substantially the same, with limited updates related to vehicle costs that had been communicated to customers.

Mr. Beatty noted that approving the budget in July would allow staff to continue preparing the submission without scheduling an August meeting solely for budget approval. He also reported continuing technical issues with the Nevada Executive Budget System but stated that staff was working to meet the August 31 submission deadline.

Commissioner Kirkpatrick recommended authorizing staff to make any necessary nonmaterial adjustments before submission, subject to ratification by the Commission at a subsequent meeting. Chairwoman Premsrut supported the recommendation as an efficient approach.

Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved to approve the proposed Fiscal Years 2028 and 2029 budget for submittal to the Governor’s Finance Office and to authorize staff to make any necessary nonmaterial adjustments, subject to later ratification by the Commission. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairwoman Kelley and approved by unanimous vote.

H. <i>For Information Only:</i> Update on pending legal matters, including filings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Utilities Commission of Nevada filings and federal legislation, and related matters.

There were no updates at this time.

I. For Information Only: Status update from Staff on the hydrological conditions, drought, and climate of the Colorado River Basin, Nevada's consumptive use of Colorado River water, basin negotiations, impacts on hydropower generation, electrical construction activities, and other developments on the Colorado River.

Warren Turkett, Ph.D., Assistant Director of Natural Resources, provided a brief update on hydrological conditions, including precipitation, temperature, snowpack, and Southern Nevada water use.

Commissioner Walton asked about the operational significance of Lake Mead elevation 1,035 feet and how reductions in Hoover Dam generation would be allocated among customers.

Mr. Witkoski explained that Bureau of Reclamation studies identify elevation 1,035 feet as an operational challenge, but actual unit performance at that elevation will require continued operation, inspection, and evaluation.

Gail Bates, Assistant Director of Hydropower, explained that customers hold contractual allocations of capacity and energy and that any reduction in generation would be allocated among customers on a pro rata basis.

J. Comments from the public. Members of the public are invited to comment on items on the meeting agenda or on items not contained therein. No action may be taken on a matter raised during public comment until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item for possible action.

Chairwoman Premsrirut asked if there were any comments from any member of the public present in the Chamber or any member of the public participating remotely that wish to address the Commission. There were none.

K. Comments and questions from the Commission members.

Chairwoman Premsrirut asked if there were any comments or questions from any Commission members. There were none.

L. Selection of the next possible meeting date.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on August 11, 2026, at the Clark County Government Center, Commission Chambers, 500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155.

M. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m.



Eric Witkoski, Executive Director

APPROVED:



Puoy K. Premsrirut, Chairwoman