

1 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
2 SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY
3 STATE OF LOUISIANA
4 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
5 CYPRESS BEND RESORT BALLROOM
6 CYPRESS BEND PARKWAY
7 MANY, LA 71449
8 1:00PM THURSDAY APRIL 23, 2026
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10 MEMBERS PRESENT:

11 Mr. Ned Goodeaux, Chairman
12 Mr. Byron Gibbs, Vice-Chairman
13 Mr. Shane Jeane, Secretary
14 Mr. Conrad Cathey
15 Mrs. Rhonda Cupit
16 Mr. Mike McCormic
17 Mr. Gary Moore
18 Mr. Ricky Moses
19 Mr. Michael Norton
20 Mr. Matthew Rains
21 Mr. Stanley Vidrine

22 MEMBERS ABSENT:

23 Mr. Sam Fulton, Jr.

24 OTHERS PRESENT:

25 Warren Founda, Executive Director-SRA, Many, LA
26 Kellie Ferguson, Deputy Director SRA, Many, LA
27 Becky Anderson, Adm Asst 5-SRA, Many, LA
28 Alan Fulton, Engineer 3-SRA, Many, LA
29 Chevy Medlock, Proj Mgr-SRA, Many, LA
30 Joey Remedies, Fac Maint Mgr-SRA, Many, LA
31 Chad Strother, Shoreline Mgr-SRA, Many, LA

32 There were six (6) visitors.
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35 Mr. Goodeaux called the meeting to order. Mr. Norton offered the Prayer and Mr.

36 Goodeaux led the Pledge. The roll was called and it was noted that Mr. Fulton was

37 absent; however, a quorum was established.

38 Mr. Goodeaux asked for a motion to adopt the agenda if there were no additions

39 or deletions. Mrs. Ferguson stated that staff is requesting to add under New Business-

40 Item #2: Adopt a Resolution to authorize Executive Director to apply for a liquor licenses

41 on behalf of the Board. Mr. Norton moved, seconded by Mr. Gibbs to adopt the

42 amend the agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. Norton moved, seconded by

43 Mr. Gibbs to adopt the amended agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

44 Mr. Goodeaux stated that the minutes of the March 26, 2026 meeting were in the

45 packet. Mr. Gibbs moved, seconded by Mr. Jeane to approve the minutes of the

46 Board meeting of March 26, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

47 STAFF REPORTS: Item #1-TBPJO: Power House Operations: Mr. Fulton

48 stated that total generation year-to-date through April 13th was 7605MWhs. He stated

1 that March generation is allowed above 169.5' MSL and April generation is allowed
2 above 170.0'MSL for the first half of the month and at 171.01MSL for the second half of
3 the month. **Spillway:** He stated that a full gate opening is tentatively scheduled for the
4 first week of June. **Reservoir Levels/Status:** He stated that the average level in March
5 was 168.50'MSL and as of April 13th, it was 168.5'MSL. **Releases:** He stated that the
6 total releases this year through April 12th, Powerhouse-120,338 AC-FT, Spillway & P.H.
7 Leakage-54,437 AC FT; Total 174,775 AC-FT. Total calculated inflows this year
8 through April 12th are 350,661 AC-Ft. **NERC/SERC/FERC:** He stated Certrec
9 Corporation continues to provide support to SRA-TX and SRA-LA for compliance issues
10 for the Power House. He stated that the FERC physical inspection is scheduled for April
11 28th. He stated that the FERC Physical Security Inspection is scheduled for August 31st.
12 He stated that staff is preparing for the EAP Functional Exercise to be scheduled this fall.
13 Item #2-Shoreline: Mr. Strother stated that the report was included in the packet.
14 He stated that the report showed from March 19th to April 16, 2026 following: 7- New
15 Structures, 5- Transferred Structures, 1- New Water Withdrawals, 0- Transferred Water
16 Withdrawals, 0- Cancelled Water Withdrawals, 3- Shoreline improvements, 2- Final
17 Inspections Approved, and 0- Final Inspections Failed. **Flowage Easements:** He stated
18 that no flowage easements to report. **Encroachment Program:** He stated that no new
19 business to report.
20 Item #3-Operational: **Toledo Bend:** Mr. Remedies stated that the report was
21 included in the packet. He stated that the crew continues to work on cabin renovations
22 (Cabin #7) at San Miguel Park. He stated that the crew has started the dome
23 post/barricades at Pleasure Point Park as well as completing the reconnection of the
24 fishing pier to the land. He stated that the crew has started the bulkhead repair on Green
25 #11 at the golf course. He stated that the buoy crew has been working on the boat lanes
26 and so far have completed Lanan, San Miguel, Negreet Creek, and the River at
27 Logansport which they started down the main lake at that point. **Diversion Canal:** He
28 stated that for the Diversion Canal, the level gate inspection has been completed and are
29 awaiting the report of the condition as well as pricing for repairs or replacement. He
30 stated that the staff met with a representative from G&C Aerial Solutions about spraying
31 the canal with drones again, which produced great results last year and was done within a

1 fraction of the time it takes to drive our spray truck along the 70 miles of canal. He stated
2 that installation Pump #2 at Pump Station #1 has been pushed back again. He stated that
3 the erosion repair at Pump Station #1 has been pushed back until around May 1st. He
4 stated that the crew has been removing more of the old Ag gates. He stated that Mr.
5 Harris is working on getting a bid packet out to install Pump #4 at Pump Station #1. He
6 stated that a report was included in the meeting packet on Project #15.

7 Item #4-Financial: Mrs. Ferguson stated that the financial report was included in
8 the meeting packet. She stated that for the Diversion Canal Division for March revenues
9 were \$641,547.32, expenses were \$299,209.40 leaving a profit of \$342,337.92. She
10 stated that year-to-date revenues were \$5,683,977.41, expenses were \$3,073,368.22
11 leaving a profit of \$2,610,609.19. She stated that for the Toledo Bend Division revenues
12 for March were \$790,521.04, expenses were \$835,100.17 for a loss of \$44,579.13. She
13 stated that year-to-date revenues were \$7,350,901.76, expenses were \$7,870,925.81
14 leaving a loss of \$520,024.05. Mr. Goodeaux asked for a motion to approve all staff
15 reports as circulated and presented. **Mr. Jeane moved, seconded by Mr. Vidrine to**
16 **approve all staff reports as circulated and presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

17 **SPECIAL REPORTS:** None.

18 **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mr. Joe DeJean addressed the Board concerning a
19 neighbor's "illegal" fence on leaseback. The staff will visit the area once again to see if
20 there has been an additional encroachment on the leaseback and report back to the Board
21 next month.

22 **OLD BUSINESS:** None.

23 **NEW BUSINESS: Item #1-Reallocate funds from Diversion Canal Project**
24 **#14 to Diversion Canal Project #17:** Mr. Remedies stated that staff is requesting to
25 move \$30,000 from Project #14 Upgrade Diesel Bypass Pump to Project #17 Erosion
26 Control. Mr. Norton moved, seconded by Mr. Jeane to approve moving \$30,000
27 from SRD Project #14 to SRD Project #17. Motion carried unanimously.

28 **Item #2-Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to apply for a**
29 **Liquor Licenses on behalf of the SRA Board:** Mrs. Ferguson stated that in anticipation
30 of taking over the operations at the Cypress Bend Golf Resort and Hotel, it is necessary
31 for SRA to have our own licenses to be able to serve alcoholic beverages. She stated that

1 these licenses are not transferable within entities in the State of Louisiana therefore, SRA
2 must submit an application. She stated that the resolution is a requirement of that
3 application. Mr. Norton moved, seconded by Mr. Jeane to adopt the resolution
4 authorizing the Executive Director-Warren Founds to make application on behalf of
5 the SRA Board for a license to sell liquor at the Cypress Bend Resort and
6 Conference Center from the Alcohol and Tobacco Control. Motion carried
7 unanimously.

8 COMMITTEE REPORTS: 1) Diversion Canal-no meeting. 2) Toledo Bend
9 Division-no meeting. 3) Parks-no meeting. 4) Finance-Mr. Norton stated that the
10 Committee had met prior to the Board meeting. He stated that a discussion was held
11 about two items and a recommendation was reached to present to the full Board. He
12 stated the Item #1-Amend the FY'26 Budget to include the purchase of Cypress Bend
13 Hotel. Mr. Norton moved, seconded by Mr. Moore to amend the FY'25-'26 Budget
14 by \$9.5 million dollars to purchase the Cypress Bend Hotel and necessary items
15 needed for operations. Motion carried unanimously. He stated that Item #2-Approve
16 FY'26-'27 Budget. Mr. Norton moved, seconded by Mr. Moses to approve the
17 Budget for FY'26-'27 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. 5) Cypress Bend
18 Golf Resort- Mr. Goodeaux stated that Mr. Jeane had been elected as Chairman at the
19 last committee meeting. Mr. Jeane moved, seconded by Mrs. Cupit to approve the
20 minutes of the Committee Meeting of April 6, 2026 as circulated. Motion carried
21 unanimously. Mr. Jeane moved, seconded by Mrs. Cupit to approve the circulated
22 minutes of the February 26, 2026. Motion carried unanimously. 6) Toledo Bend
23 Project Joint Operations-no meeting. Sub-Committee-Power/Water Sales
24 Committee: Mr. Moore moved, seconded by Mr. Moses to approve the circulated
25 minutes of the Committee meeting of March 26, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

26 LEGAL REPORT: Mr. Founds stated no updates.

27 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mr. Founds stated no report.

28 Mr. Goodeaux stated that the next meeting would be Thursday, May 28, 2026 at
29 1:00PM at Cypress Bend Resort Ballroom.

1 With no further business to discuss, Mr. Goodeaux asked for a motion to adjourn.

2 Mrs. Cupit moved, seconded by Mr. Gibbs to adjourn. Motion carried

3 unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

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6 NED GOODEAUX, CHAIRMAN

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9 ATTEST: 
10 SHANE JEANE, SECRETARY