

**MINUTES OF THE EMERGENCY MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
TALENT IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
APRIL 10, 2026**

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TALENT IRRIGATION DISTRICT met in an emergency session at the office of the district located at 104 West Valley View Road, Talent, Oregon, on the above date. President Winters called the board meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL BY:**                   Manager Derry

**PRESENT:**                   Mike Winters ----- President  
                                  Jeff Hogan ----- Vice President  
                                  Brian Hampson ----- Consulting General Manager  
                                  Wanda Derry ----- Secretary/Manager  
                                  Sharee Burns ----- Executive Director  
                                  Bo Bergren ----- Dam Operator

**ABSENT:**                   Jeff Bohn ----- Director

**DISCUSS EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO TWO BREACHES ON THE MCDONALD CANAL  
ON THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2026**

The district started flushing the McDonald System on April 8<sup>th</sup> and everything looked good. Some time the morning of April 9<sup>th</sup>, during a heavy wind and rainstorm, a pipe plugged up with pine needles, leaves and limbs and caused the canal to breach in two places about a half mile from the bottom of the ditch. The larger breach washed the side of the canal down the hillside. The smaller breach was more contained.

General Manager Hampson along with President Winters drove up to see the area late yesterday afternoon. General Manager Hampson stated his first thought was to contact a contractor to look at the damage and see how fast they could begin repairs. With that said, he contacted local contractor, Central Pipeline, who has previously worked on repairs on this system and the owner said he would go out that evening to look over the site.

It is imperative to get this system back up and running as soon as possible. This water source is live streamflow from snowmelt and there was hardly any snow this winter so the system will not be able to run very long this season.

Dam Operator Bergren joined the meeting right after returning from visiting the site. He said the canals were not cleaned properly but it is no fault of the crew working here now, they cleaned them as they were taught in previous years. The cleaning has been done by hand with hand tools and not an excavator which would clean the entire canal prism along with the ditch bank and vegetation.

He stated that the smaller downstream breach will be easy to repair. The larger breach will be a much bigger job with the numerous yards of material that moved down the hillside. There is a lot of material that will need to be hauled in and due to the remote location, this will be very expensive.

During the meeting, General Manager Hampson contacted the owner of Central Pipeline, who indicated they can begin mobilizing their equipment on site starting on Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. They estimate they will be able to get the repairs done in less than a week. He will get a cost estimate back to General Manager Hampson on Monday.

Motion: Director Hogan approves moving forward with the emergency repair and having Central Pipeline do the job.

Second: President Winters

Ayes: President Winters, Vice President Hogan

Nays: None

There being no other business to come before the Board, President Winters adjourned the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

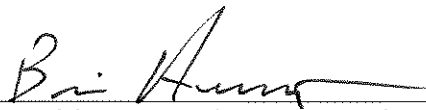
Official Minutes:      Approved as presented:     X    

Approved as amended:                     

(If marked here, see minutes of the next meeting for text of amendment(s).)

DATE: May 5, 2026

ATTEST:

  
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Consulting General Manager Brian Hampson

  
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President Mike Winters