



**Roosevelt Soil and Water Conservation District
Monthly Meeting
June 12, 2025**

Board Members Present

**Mike Cone Quentin Carnes
Rick Ledbetter Dylan Mark
Kendell Buzard**

Members Absent

**Mitzi Miller
Sharon Davis**

Others Present:

**George Bomar Gary Walker
Miles Mitchell D'Llaynn Bruce
Marco Lueras Ryan Lenz
Jennifer Hopper James D'Arezzo
Amalia Nita Chris Henaghan
Hoss Darvish Christine Heffeman
Jeremy Neal Mike Rackler
Dawn Privett**

Mike Cone called the meeting to order at 7:10 a.m.

Opening prayer, U.S. Pledge of Allegiance, & New Mexico Pledge.

Agenda: Rick Ledbetter moved to approve the agenda. Kendell Buzard seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes: Dylan Marks moved to approve the May 15, 2025 Meeting Minutes as presented. Rick Ledbetter seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Reports & Bills: Quentin Carnes moved to approve the financial reports for filing and bills for payment. Rick Ledbetter seconded. Motion carried. (See attached.)

NRCS Report: D'Llaynn Bruce presented the NRCS Report. Dylan Marks and Kendell Buzard will attend the Civil Rights Reviews on June 24, 2025 in our office.

NMDA Report: Miles Mitchell presented the NMDA Report.

NMACD/Jennifer Hopper: Jennifer Hopper from NMACD introduced herself and discussed her role in working with conservation districts.

Aquaterrex/James D. D'Arezzo: James D. D'Arezzo, president of Aquaterrex, provided a presentation on deep-well drilling.

Sentinel Landscape: Marco Lueras gave an update on the project. An All-Partners Meeting will be conducted on June 24, 2025, from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., at the Curry County Extension Office in Clovis.

CIVIC (Grasslands): No new information.

City Update: Mike Rackler gave an update on the City's activities.

Review Mail: The mail was reviewed by the Board.

Playa Lakes Restoration Project: Ryan Lenz provided photos of three playas and asked for contact information of landowners.

Rain Enhancement Program: Gary Walker reviewed a map and the May Report for our RAIN Project. There were 16 missions in May and 7 so far in June.

Mike Cone & Rick Ledbetter have presented our RAIN project at district meetings for Central Valley, Chaves, Northeast, Otero, Penasco, and Upper Hondo Conservation Districts to discuss future funding options.

Shade Ball Conservation Project: The first load of five truckloads has been delivered to Texas. The delivery to East Torrance SWCD will arrive next Tuesday (June 17). The final three loads will be delivered to our District in the weeks following.

Kendell Buzard is donating 500 shade balls that he won at the Annual Legislative Meeting back to the District to raffle off in the future.

The prepping for the dirt work around the shade ball storage building has begun.

ZiaMet: The unit is currently running. [ZiaMet Weather Station Network](#)

Cost-Share Program: No new information.

High Plains CWMA: Next meeting is July 10, 2025.

NEITC Update: No new information.

2027-2031 ICIP Plan – Rick Ledbetter moved to approve Resolution #5-2025 for our 2027-2031 ICIP Plan. Quentin Carnes seconded. Motion carried. Roll call vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Update District Inventory: Rick Ledbetter moved to approve the amended inventory sheet as presented. Quentin Carnes seconded. Motion carried.

Update Cost-Share Program: Rick Ledbetter moved to approve the 2026 Cost-Share Program, which will remain the same as last year. Kendell Buzard seconded. Motion carried.

July Meeting: Kendell Buzard moved to reschedule the July Board Meeting from Thursday, July 10, 2025, to Monday, July 7, 2025 at 7:00 a.m. Quentin Carnes seconded. Motion carried.

QuickBooks online subscription, training, contracting: The Board discussed our QuickBooks subscription and future changes and training.

Next Era Energy Solar Project: Amalia Nita and her team from Next Era Energy discussed the plans for ground-cover vegetation on the project site with the Board.

Building Issues: The Board discussed repairing the springs on the gate, replacing the Shade Ball Conservation Project sign, and working on the kitchen sink drain. Mike Cone repaired the lock on the door on the FSA side.

Robin is on vacation from May 26 – June 15. Collin Carnes is performing the cleaning services in her absence.

Supervisor Reports: Nothing additional.

Administrative Assistant Report: Dawn Privett gave her report on her activities.

FSA Report: None.


Public Comment: None.

Next month's meeting will be Monday, July 7, 2025, at 7:00 a.m. at the Portales USDA Office.

Kendell Buzard moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:11 a.m. Quentin Carnes seconded. Motion carried.



Chairman



Administrative Assistant

11/24
Roosevelt Soil & Water Conservation District

7/1/2025 11:36 AM

Register: JP Stone Community Bank

From 04/30/2025 through 05/31/2025

Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

| Date | Number | Payee | Account | Memo | Payment | C | Deposit | Balance |
|------------|--------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------|---|------------|------------|
| 04/30/2025 | | | Interest Income | Interest | | X | 0.46 | -17,290.60 |
| 05/01/2025 | 6239 | Dawn M. Privett | -split- | | 1,086.04 | X | | -18,376.64 |
| 05/01/2025 | 6240 | Robin L. Griffith | -split- | | 298.16 | X | | -18,674.80 |
| 05/14/2025 | debit | US Treasury | -split- | 85-0324208 | 681.10 | X | | -19,355.90 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6243 | Yucca Telecom | Utilities | #22480 | 100.53 | X | | -19,456.43 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6244 | Roosevelt County W... | Utilities | #00004171 | 75.84 | X | | -19,532.27 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6245 | Roosevelt County El... | Utilities | #753427001 | 1,142.13 | X | | -20,674.40 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6246 | Jori's Landscape Mai... | Building Expenses:Rep... | #1086 | 350.00 | X | | -21,024.40 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6247 | Kendell R. Buzard | Mileage/Travel | mileage to Clo... | 49.85 | X | | -21,074.25 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6248 | Dylan Marks | -split- | | 124.68 | X | | -21,198.93 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6249 | Kendell R. Buzard | -split- | | 83.12 | X | | -21,282.05 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6250 | Mike Cone | -split- | | 124.68 | | | -21,406.73 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6251 | Mitzi Miller | -split- | | 122.67 | | | -21,529.40 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6252 | Quentin G Carnes | -split- | | 83.12 | X | | -21,612.52 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6253 | Rick G Ledbetter | -split- | | 124.68 | X | | -21,737.20 |
| 05/14/2025 | 6254 | Sharon L. Davis | -split- | | 81.11 | X | | -21,818.31 |
| 05/15/2025 | | | CD #64706 | Deposit | | X | 206,017.13 | 184,198.82 |
| 05/15/2025 | | | Tree Sales/Windbreak | Deposit | | X | 84.00 | 184,282.82 |
| 05/15/2025 | | | Sale of Shade Balls | Deposit | | X | 31,605.20 | 215,888.02 |
| 05/15/2025 | debit | NM Taxation and Re... | Payroll Liabilities | 02-194990-005 | 29.78 | X | | 215,858.24 |
| 05/15/2025 | 6257 | Rick G Ledbetter | -split- | Mileage to Far... | 59.49 | X | | 215,798.75 |
| 05/15/2025 | 6258 | SOAR, LLC | Rain Enhancement Pro... | #187 May 1-15... | 68,560.00 | X | | 147,238.75 |
| 05/15/2025 | 6255 | Dawn M. Privett | -split- | | 1,086.05 | X | | 146,152.70 |
| 05/15/2025 | 6256 | Robin L. Griffith | -split- | | 298.17 | X | | 145,854.53 |
| 05/16/2025 | 6259 | Ed's Recycling Cente... | Utilities | Invoice #36412 | 82.59 | X | | 145,771.94 |
| 05/16/2025 | 6260 | Mike Cone | Mileage/Travel | Mileage to SW ... | 42.21 | | | 145,729.73 |
| 05/19/2025 | | | Sale of Shade Balls | Deposit | | X | 1,500.00 | 147,229.73 |
| 05/22/2025 | 6261 | Visa | -split- | #1909 | 478.22 | X | | 146,751.51 |
| 05/30/2025 | | | Interest Income | Interest | | X | 1.57 | 146,753.08 |



June 9, 2025

Team 11 NRCS Field Office Report for June 2025

Upcoming events:

New Mexico NRCS National Civil Rights Review – June 23 – 24 – will be virtual

Programs

Upcoming deadlines:

- Contract 80% obligation deadline – May 30th

All FY2025 Program Deadlines have now passed. NRCS accepts program applications year round.

CRP Updates:

- General CRP – the signup just closed, this will not be a big workload this year.
- Grassland CRP – the signup is supposed to be announced soon.

Resource Technology:

We are still experiencing delays with cultural resource clearances.

Staffing Updates

- NRCS NM is down 51 staff members, currently have 124 staff members in the state
- NRCS is currently on a hiring freeze until July 15, 2025
- Team 11 still has multiple vacancies
- We are hiring Andrew Maez back as a NRS in Clovis through NMACD, he starts 6/16
- No word on reorganization or restructuring at this time
- We are submitting daily office attendance, no names, just employee numbers
- Staff is still submitting the 5 Things emails every Monday

Please visit [Farmers.gov](https://farmers.gov) to get current updates on USDA programs.

D'Llaynn Bruce

Team 11 District Conservationist



RESOLUTION #5-2025

ROOSEVELT SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

On June 12, 2025, the Board of Supervisors of the Roosevelt Soil and Water Conservation District, being in session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, a quorum being present, and following public discussion, does hereby resolve to adopt the attached FY 2027-2031 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP). A copy of this resolution and the attached ICIP Plan shall be submitted to the DFA/Local Government Divisions.

Mike Cone, Chairman
Roosevelt Soil & Water Conservation District

June 12, 2025
Date

These resolutions passed upon a motion made by Rick Ledbetter and seconded by Quentin Carnes vote as follows:

Mike Cone

Quentin Carnes

Rick Ledbetter

Mitzi Miller

Sharon Davis

Kendell Buzard

Dylan Marks

ATTEST:

SIGNATURE

6/12/25
DATE

Admin Asst.
TITLE

Roosevelt Soil & Water Conservation District

List of Capital Assets -June 12, 2025

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|----|---------------------|
| Land | \$ | 44,847.00 |
| Building | \$ | 708,884.00 |
| Storage Building | \$ | 205,000.00 |
| Water Well | \$ | 10,000.00 |
| Forklift | \$ | 15,000.00 |
| Pallet Jack | \$ | 600.00 |
| Fabric Layer | \$ | 1,100.00 |
| Conference Table/Side Table | \$ | 1,828.00 |
| 33 Conference Chairs | \$ | 760.00 |
| HP Envy Laptop | \$ | 818.00 |
| HP Laser Jet Printer | \$ | 295.00 |
| Tools & Landscape Equipment | \$ | 200.00 |
| Building - Supplies Inventory | \$ | 300.00 |
| Artwork | \$ | 4,000.00 |
| 4 Filing Cabinets | \$ | 800.00 |
| Drip Supply Inventory | \$ | 5,000.00 |
| 2-Livestock Water Tanks @ \$250 each | \$ | 500.00 |
| 2 Shade Ball Storage Containers | \$ | 6,550.00 |
| Game Cameras - 9 | \$ | 1,027.89 |
| Binoculars | \$ | 291.42 |
| Range Finder | \$ | 475.18 |
| Hard Drives | \$ | 605.40 |
| Nets/Rake | \$ | 119.10 |
| SD Reader & Cards | \$ | 92.35 |
| Meeting Equipment/iPads | \$ | 5,100.00 |
| Subtotal | \$ | <u>1,014,193.34</u> |

Shade Balls @156,700 x \$.70 as of
July 1, 2025

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|----|---------------------|
| \$ | 109,690.00 |
| \$ | <u>1,123,883.34</u> |