

Agenda Item 8C



STAFF REPORT

TO: Board of Directors

PREPARED BY: Steven Palmer, PE, CSDM, General Manager *SP*

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolutions Declaring an Election and Requesting that the Boards of Supervisors of Nevada and Placer Counties Consolidate the Election with Other Elections Conducted on November 3, 2026

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Resolutions 2026-02 and 2026-03 declaring an election and requesting that the Boards of Supervisors of Nevada and Placer Counties consolidate the election with other elections conducted on November 3, 2026.

BACKGROUND

Donner Summit Public Utility District (DSPUD) Board has two seats that will be vacated this year and need to be filled by election.

DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Directors for DSPUD are elected at-large and do not serve specific geographic regions of DSPUD.

Directors Phil Gamick and Craig Combs are currently serving four-year terms that expire on December 31, 2026. These elections are for four-year terms that will expire on December 31, 2030.

In order to hold an election, the DSPUD Board needs to adopt a resolution declaring an election, and request that the County consolidate the election with other elections on November 3, 2026 and provide election services for DSPUD. Since DSPUD is within both Placer and Nevada Counties, the Board must adopt a separate resolution for each county.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Counties charge a small fee for election services.

CEQA ASSESSMENT

This is not a CEQA Project

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolutions

Attachment 1

**RESOLUTION 2026-02
OF THE
DONNER SUMMIT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
DECLARING AN ELECTION BE HELD IN ITS JURISDICTION; REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF NEVADA COUNTY TO CONSOLIDATE THIS
ELECTION WITH ANY OTHER ELECTION CONDUCTED ON SAID DATE;
AND
REQUESTING ELECTION SERVICES BY THE COUNTY CLERK**

NOTICE OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER ELECTION

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Donner Summit Public Utility District orders an election to be held in its jurisdiction on November 3, 2026, at which election the issue to be presented to the voters shall be:

ELECTION OF TWO (2) BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE GOVERNING BODY

WHEREAS, whenever two or more elections are called to be held on the same day, in the same territory, or in part of the same territory, such elections should be consolidated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an election be held on November 3, 2026 for the purpose of electing two (2) to the District Board of Directors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said election shall be to fill a vacancy for the following Board Members whose terms expire:

| <u>Incumbent's Name</u> | <u>Regular or Short Term</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Phil Gamick | Regular |
| Craig Combs | Regular |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Donner Summit Public Utility District requests the governing body of the County of Nevada, as prescribed by Elections Code Section 10402 and 10403, to consolidate the regularly scheduled district election with any other elections to be held on November 3, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Directors for this District are elected At Large. There are no divisions in the District; all voters within this District vote for all candidates; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Candidate is to pay for the publication of the candidate's statement, pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307. The limitation on

the number of words that a candidate may use in her/her Candidate's Statement is 200 words; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the case of a tie vote, the election shall be determined by lot; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Donner Summit Public Utility District agrees to reimburse the County of Nevada for the District's prorated share of the cost of the election; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District hereby certifies that there have been no District Boundary changes since our last election, but the District understands that the Nevada County Mapping Division will verify our District boundary lines prior to the election.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 21st day of April 2026, at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Donner Summit Public Utility District by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

DONNER SUMMIT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

By: _____
Cathy Preis
President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

By: _____
Dawn Parkhurst
Secretary of the Board

Attachment 2

**RESOLUTION 2026-03
OF THE
DONNER SUMMIT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
DECLARING AN ELECTION BE HELD IN ITS JURISDICTION; REQUESTING THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PLACER COUNTY TO CONSOLIDATE THIS
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