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Sanctions for the violation of the groundwater rules and regulations in the Upper Republican Natural Resources District (URNRD) are expected to be decided by the board this week.

The URNRD board held a special meeting Wednesday, June 16 to discuss alleged violations outlined in nearly 40 cease & desist orders sent to landowners and operators.

They were scheduled to meet in another special session Tuesday afternoon, June 22, to give further consideration on what actions to take.

The board spent an hour and 45 minutes in closed session to discuss the violations with parties involved.

The closed sessions were requested by the parties involved, which is allowed for in the open meetings law.

The C&D orders were sent to six land owners and four different operators who lease some of the targeted land where alleged violations occurred.

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