

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Lower Tule River Irrigation District met on the 8th day of March 2022, at 9:00 am. The meeting was called to order by President BARCELLOS. It was determined the following Directors were in attendance:

Director	Div. 2	2022	JIM COSTA - <b>ABSENT</b>
Director	Div. 3	2024	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2024	FRANK MENDONSA - <b>ABSENT</b>
Director	Div. 1	2022	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2022	JOSH PITIGLIANO

***District Staff present:***

Eric Limas, General Manager  
Mike Battles, Assistant Manager  
Mark Greenall, Controller

***Others Present:***

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel  
Jennifer Spaletta, Special Counsel  
Mike Faria, Farmer  
Travis Millwee, Pacific Resources  
Richard Junio, Farmer  
Geof Vanden Huevel, Milk Producers Council  
Jace Vanderhamm, Farmer  
David Cardoza, Farmer  
Alan Becker, Renewable Resources Group  
Maryse Suppiger, Hancock

**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

On motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved as presented.

On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director PITIGLIANO and unanimously approved, the minutes of the February 8, 2022, regular meeting were approved as presented.

**WATER RESOURCES**

Manager LIMAS reviewed current water conditions. It has been extremely dry across the state since the first of the year. The Friant Water Year 2022 initial allocation was announced at 15% Class 1. LIMAS reviewed the water delivery report for the 2021 water year. The District had to recharge some water during February to finish up the amount of water that needs to be run by the end of February due to carryover limitations. The CVC allocation is currently 0%. LIMAS reported the CVC Conveyance contract is fully executed. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed draft guidelines for potential operations of future water runs and SGMA implications. Also reviewed was a draft turnout meter policy. No action was taken.

**FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY**

LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations, the water quality ad-hoc committee activities, and subsidence/capacity correction activities. No action was taken.

**DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

Construction and Operation activities

MIKE BATTLES reviewed ongoing water run and canal maintenance activities. Safety meetings were held, shop and facility inspections were performed. Replacement of the Seitz pipeline in Lower Tule is complete. O&M on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/ Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems were performed. The Teapot Dome and Pioneer systems annual preventative maintenance activities were completed. Construction projects are ongoing at Teapot Dome and Vandalia. Channel clearing projects are being finished up. No action was taken.

Administrative Activities

The Board reviewed the financial reports for the month of February. On motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the financial reports.

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of February. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director PITIGLIANO and unanimously approved, the Board approved the bills paid including making a \$2,000 contribution to the Tule Basin Land and Water Conservation Trust.

**MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES**

Tule River Association

LIMAS gave an update on the Success Power Project. No action was taken.

LIMAS reported on the progress on the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project construction and real estate purchase activities. No Action was taken.

Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

LIMAS reviewed DCTRA activities, the minutes of the meetings are distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here. No Action was taken.

**OTHER MATTERS**

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening into open session, it was reported that there were no reportable actions taken during closed session.

There being no further business to be brought to the Board attention, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Limas  
General Manager