

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 9th day of January 2024, 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	2026	LOUIE TRISTAO
Director	Div. 3	2024	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2024	FRANK MENDONSA
Director	Div. 1	2026	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2026	JOSH PITIGLIANO

District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager
Mike Battles, Assistant Manager
Mark Greenall, Controller
Allison Tristao, Resources Coordinator
Kirk Masters, Water Resources Superintendent
John Micheal Domondon, Engineer

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel Jim Koontz, General Counsel

Farmers/landowners/public: Paul Gredanus, Vince Sola Jr, Mike Faria, Geoff Vanden Huevel, Richard Junio, Armando Leal, Travis Millwee, Rod Steifvater, Eric Gredanus, Susan Long, Nicole Bonna, Mark Hoffman, Jace Vanderham

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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



On motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the December 12, 2023 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

WATER RESOURCES

LIMAS reviewed the monthly water delivery report, current water run/rates, and CVC water deliveries. No action was taken.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations, and subsidence/capacity correction current activities. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

JOHN MICHAEL DOMONDON reviewed construction projects and canal maintenance activities. DOMONDON also gave updates on the SPP, East side capacity improvement and Lateral 4 projects in Pixley. No action was taken.

MIKE BATTLES updated the board on equipment and the permitting for the Lower Tule River Irrigation District office remodel. No action was taken.

DOMONDON reported on the Magnetic Smart Metering bids for a Cultural Survey. It was reported that one bid was received in the amount of \$171,420. No action was taken.



Administrative Activities

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

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of December. On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the bills paid.

MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

Tule River Association

LIMAS gave an update on the Success Power Project including contract renewal activity. No action was taken.

LIMAS reported on the progress of the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project reimbursements, construction, and real estate purchase activities. No action was taken.

The Board held a public hearing to consider Resolution 2024-1-1 a Resolution of Necessity for APNs 284-030-005, 284-030-006, 284-221-001, 284-460-004, 284-460-018. After discussion, on motion by GARCIA, second by Director TRISTAO, and unanimously approved, Resolution 2024-1-1 was approved.

OTHER MATTERS

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