

**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 12th day of March 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
John Micheal Domondon, Engineer

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Council

Farmers/landowners/public:

Brian Hauss, Richard Junio, Elijah Greidanus, Paul Greidanus, Rod Stiefvater, Armando Leal, Stacie Ann Silva, Vince Sola, Zach Faria, Geoff Vanden Heuvel, Mark Hoffman, Tim Gobler

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director TRISTAO, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the February 13, 2024, meeting were approved as presented.

On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director PITLIGANO, and unanimously approved, Monday, April 8, 2024, was approved as the next board meeting date.

WATER RESOURCES

LIMAS reviewed the monthly water delivery report and current conditions. Friant Water Year 2024 allocation is currently at 60% Class 1 allocation. The CVC allocation is currently 15%. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed the water supply balances and reviewed rates. After discussion, on motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the Board approved a water rate of \$75.

The Board considered the 2024 allocation of Poplar Ditch. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director TRISTAO, and unanimously approved, the Board approved an allocation of 55 acre-feet per share.

Limas reviewed Resolution 2024-3-1 considering a contract for temporary water service with BOR. On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, Resolution 2024-3-1 was approved as presented.

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, Metering Project, East Side Capacity Improvement and the Lateral 4 Project in Pixley. MARK GREENALL gave an update on the FEMA process. No action was taken.

DOMONDON presented a Cultural Compliance bid from ASM Affiliates for the meter grant project, with a fixed-fee cost of \$59,565.60. On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the bid was approved as presented.

LIMAS presented an over canal bank pumping policy. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director MENDONSA, and unanimously approved, the policy was approved as presented.

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

Administrative Activities

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

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of February. On motion by Director PITGLIANO, 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. 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.

OTHER MATTERS

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening out of closed session, it was reported that no reportable actions were 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