



**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 11th day of February 2020, at 10:00 am, at the District office in Tipton, California. The meeting was called to order by President FERNANDES. It was determined the following Directors were in attendance:

Director	Div. 2	2022	JIM COSTA
Director	Div. 3	2020	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2020	GARY FERNANDES
Director	Div. 1	2022	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2022	JOSH PITIGLIANO

District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager

Mike Battles, Operations Manager

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel (via telephone)

Jim Koontz, General Counsel

Guests Present:

Allan Becker, Renewable Resources Group

Mike Faria, Farmer

Matt Kidder, Farmer

Eric Gredanus, Farmer

Rod Steifvader, Pacific Resources

Travis Millwee, Pacific Resources

Doug DeFlitch, Friant Water Authority

Johnny Amaral, Friant Water Authority

BOARD ADMINISTRATION

President FERNANDES called the meeting to order.

The Board reviewed the agenda. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director BARCELLOS and unanimously approved, the agenda was approved.

The minutes of the January 14, 2020 meeting were distributed for review prior to the meeting. On motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the minutes and ordered them placed on file.

WATER RESOURCES

Manager LIMAS reviewed current water conditions. The Friant Class 1 allocation is 100%. Friant contractors are limited to 10% of Class 1 contracts for carryover. Conditions are dry and below average across the state. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed activities related to the Cross Valley exchanges and CVC water deliveries. No action was taken.

The Board considered Resolution 2020-2-1 Considering approval of CVC Contract IR-18 and filing Notice of Exemption. After discussion, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director PITIGLIANO and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2020-2-1.

The Board considered Resolution 2020-2-2 Considering approval of 2020 URF Contract. After discussion, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2020-2-2.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

FWA representatives DEFLITCH and AMARAL reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal Water Quality policy, subsidence/capacity correction and Temperance Flat studies. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

MIKE BATTLES reviewed ongoing canal maintenance activities. The Riparian pipeline phase 2 construction has started. With the delivery systems shut down, Tule River channel clearing, winter canal dipping, turnout installations and annual o&m on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/ Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems are ongoing. No action was taken.



Administrative Activities

The Board considered Resolution 2020-2-3 Considering Adoption and filing Notice of Exemption for the Recharge Basin Metering Project. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director PITIGLIANO and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2020-2-3.

LIMAS presented a damage claim resulting from flooding from a recharge basin break during the fall 2019 water run. After discussion, on motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director BARCELLOS and unanimously approved, the Board denied the claim and ordered it turned into the ACWA-JPIA insurance for consideration.

The Board reviewed the Financial reports for the month of January. On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the January Financials and ordered them placed on file.

The Board reviewed the actions of the Finance Committee in the payment of the January bills. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board ratified the actions of the Finance Committee in the payments of the January bills.

MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

Tule River Association

LIMAS and Director BARCELLOS gave an update of the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project and related project activities. No Action was taken.

LIMAS presented Amendment 1 to the Crawford & Bowen CEQA Consulting Services Agreement on the SREP. After discussion, on motion by Director BARCELLOS, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the Amendment.

Deer Creek & Tule River Authority

The minutes of the Deer Creek & Tule River Association meetings are distributed for review prior to the meeting, and as such, are not repeated here.



OTHER MATTERS

The Board went into closed session with General Counsel PELTZER (via telephone) and KOONTZ. There were no other 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