

# 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 14th day of September 2021, 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
Director	Div. 3	2024	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2024	FRANK MENDONSA-ABSENT
Director	Div. 1	2022	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2022	JOSH PITIGLIANO

#### District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager Mike Battles, Operations Manager Jack Lopez, Field Superintendent Mark Greenall, Controller

#### **Others Present:**

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel, David Cardoza, Farmer, Travis Millwee, Pacific Resources

## **BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

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

On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the August 10, 2021, regular meeting and August 31, 2021, special meeting, were approved as presented.



## WATER RESOURCES

Manager LIMAS reviewed current water conditions. Conditions are extremely dry across the state. The Friant allocation is currently 20% Class 1. The CVC allocation is currently 0%. LIMAS also reviewed activities related to CVC contract conversion. No action was taken.

## FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

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

## **DISTRICT OPERATIONS**

#### Construction and Operation activities

MIKE BATTLES reviewed ongoing canal maintenance activities. Safety meetings were held, shop and facility inspections performed, dipping and spraying of canals continues and the Deer Creek Structure project – the gate is installed, just waiting on the arrival of the air compressors for the project to be commissioned by the manufacturer. O&M on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/ Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems were performed. Meters for the Pixley Basin metering project are installed. BATTLES also reported on a non-injury accident that occurred during the month. No action was taken.



#### Administrative Activities

The Board reviewed an Affidavit Certifying Election Results of 218 election, prepared by Provost & Pritchard Engineering. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board accepted the affidavit and certification.

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

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of August. On motion by Director COSTA, 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 and the progress on the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project. No Action was taken.

The Board reviewed a proposal to do a Mineral Rights Appraisal for a property on the SREP that currently has a mining operation on it. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the proposal from Collier's Valuation and Advisory Services.

LIMAS presented a draft relocation agreement with Southern California Edison on the SREP. After discussion, on motion of Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board approved execution of the agreement upon final review of the General Manager and General Counsel.

## 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**

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The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening into open session, it was reported that no reportable action was 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