

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOWER TULE RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

The Board of Directors of the Lower Tule River Irrigation District sitting as the GSA governing Board, met on the 14th day of December 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 - ABSENT
Director	Div. 3	2024	TOM BARCELLOS
Director	Div. 4	2024	FRANK MENDONSA
Director	Div. 1	2022	ALEX GARCIA
Director	Div. 5	2022	JOSH PITIGLIANO

## District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager Mike Battles, Operations Manager Mark Greenall, Controller John Michael Domondon, Engineer

### Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel
Stanley Franks, public
Aaron Henderson, Agricare
Steve Jackson, Agricare
Mike Faria, Famer
Rod Stiefvater, Pacific Resources
Jace Vanderhamm, farmer

Allan Becker, Renewable Resources Group



### **BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

On motion by Director PITIGLIANO, second by Director MENDONSA 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 November 9, 2021 meeting were approved as presented.

LIMAS reviewed GSA implementation activities including June through October Transitional water usage. LIMAS also reported that staff will start preparing a draft plan of project and funding priorities for the use of Transitional revenues. Staff Engineer DOMONDON reported on acres signed up for the Land Fallowing Program. No action was taken.

LIMAS reviewed the calculations for the 2022 groundwater allocations. After discussion, on motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director GARCIA and unanimously approved, the Board set the 2022 groundwater allocations at 1.79 acre-feet per acre.

LIMAS reviewed Tule Subbasin SGMA activities including grant money available to the Tule Subbasin through the Department of Water Resources. Engineer DOMONDON presented the projects that Lower Tule will apply for funding for, including expansion of recharge basins near the Tipton and Woodville communities. The Board directed staff to submit the projects. No action was taken.

LIMAS reported on a preliminary letter received from DWR on the GSP review process. A letter with detailed findings will be sent by January 31 and the GSA will have 180 days to respond and update the GSP.

# **OTHER MATTERS**

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

Erie Limas

General Manager