

# 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 November 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
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

#### Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel
Jason Phillips, Friant Water Authority
Matt Payne, West Water Research
Patrick Wolf, Nasdaq
Mike Faria, Famer
Travis Millwee, Pacific Resources
Jace Vanderhamm, farmer
Allan Becker, Renewable Resources Group

#### **BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

On motion by Director COSTA, second by Director GARCIA 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 October 12, 2021, meeting were approved as presented.



## **WATER RESOURCES**

Manager LIMAS reviewed current water conditions. The Friant allocation was increased from 20% to 25% Class 1. The CVC allocation is currently 0%. LIMAS also reviewed activities related to CVC contract conversion. No action was taken.

## FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

JASON PHILLIPS reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations, the strategic plan update, the San Joaquin Valley Blueprint activities, San Luis and Delta Mendota Water Authority projects, 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, security measures are being put in place, and the air compressors will be installed. O&M on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/ Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems were performed. A couple of construction projects have started at Teapot Dome and Vandalia. Pickups ordered earlier this year may be delivered in December. The District has several open positions currently and having trouble filling them. No action was taken.

The Board discussed a request from Woodville School to obtain some right of way for additional parking and traffic flow. No action was taken.



#### **Administrative Activities**

The Board reviewed an updated Draft of the District Reserve Policy. After discussion, on motion by Director COSTA, second by Director MENDONSA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the updated policy and requested to review it at least annually.

The Board reviewed the financial reports for the month of October. On motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the financial reports with a correction to the Cash Receipts report.

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of October. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director COSTA 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.

# 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



Approved

The Board then went into closed session. Upon reconvening into open session, it was reported that the District entered into a memorandum of understanding with J.G. Boswell, Inc.

There being no further business to be brought to the Board attention, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Limas

General Manager