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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 19th day of July 2022, 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 -ABSENT

District Staff present:

Eric Limas, General Manager Mike Battles, Assistant Manager Mark Greenall, Controller Kirk Masters, Water Resources Superintendent John Michael Domondon, Engineer

Others Present:

Alex Peltzer, General Counsel

David DeGroot, 4Creeks Engineering

Mike Faria, Farmer

Travis Millwee, Pacific Resources

Geof Vanden Huevel, Milk Producers Council

Doug Jackson, Farmer

Elijah Gredanus, Farmer

Stacey Ann Silva, New Currents

Vincent Sola, Farmer

Richard Junio, Farmer

Armando Leal, Farmer



BOARD ADMINISTRATION

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

On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director MENDONSA, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the June 14, 2022 meeting were approved as presented.

WATER RESOURCES

Manager LIMAS reviewed current water conditions. The Friant Water Year 2022 initial allocation was recently increased to 20% Class 1. The CVC allocation is currently 0%. The District water run began on July 11. No action was taken.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

LIMAS, reviewed activities related to the Friant Kern Canal operations, the water quality ad-hoc committee activities, O&M Budget allocation, and subsidence/capacity correction activities. No action was taken.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS

Construction and Operation activities

MIKE BATTLES reviewed ongoing water operations and canal maintenance activities. Safety meetings were held, shop and facility inspections were performed. BATTLES reported on well permits that have been reviewed. O&M on the Teapot Dome/Pioneer/ Vandalia and Campbell Moreland systems were performed. Construction projects are ongoing at Teapot Dome and Vandalia. The power plant is running during the current water run. No action was taken.

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The Board considered Resolution 2022-7-2, considering an application for United States Department of the Interior Water Smart grant. After discussion, on motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board approved Resolution 2022-7-2.

LIMAS reported on the CalTrans round about project at SR 190 and Westwood. District structures have to be relocated as part of the project. The District will contract for the project construction and CalTrans will reimburse the District for the cost. LIMAS reviewed a construction reimbursement agreement with CalTrans, an amended pre-construction reimbursement agreement with CalTrans, a construction management proposal from QK Engineering and a Notice to contractors for bid solicitation. After discussion, on motion by Director MENDONSA, second by Director COSTA and unanimously approved, the Board approved execution of the agreements and notice for bid solicitation to go out.

Administrative Activities

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

The Board reviewed the bills paid for the month of June. On motion by Director GARCIA, second by Director MENDONSA and unanimously approved, the Board approved the bills paid.

MISCELLANEOUS AGENCIES & AUTHORITIES

Tule River Association

LIMAS gave an update on the Success Power Project including contract renewal options. No action was taken.

LIMAS reported on the progress on the Success Reservoir Enlargement Project construction and real estate purchase activities. No Action was taken.

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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

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