



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AUGUST 17, 2022
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Koster called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m. Board Members present were Pete Lucich, Kyle Perez, Daniel Bays and Zach Maring.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

President Koster asked if any member of the public who might be on the phone line wanted to make a comment. Being none, the meeting continued.

3. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or revisions to the Agenda.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Minutes from the Board Meeting of 7/20/2022, Monthly Accounting Reports, and Field Operations Report for July 2022 were provided in advance for the Board's review. The Board approved the Consent Calendar as follows:

Ayes: Koster, Bays, Perez, Maring, and Lucich
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Jasper and Lara

5. MANAGER'S REPORT

Anthea reported that the Department of Water Resources had released the Draft EIR for the newly proposed configuration of the Delta Conveyance Project. She provided information from their website on the Draft EIR for the Board to review. Regarding the SWRCB and Water Quality Control Plan activities, she reported that the various agencies continue to join in support of the Voluntary Agreement process and noted she would continue to keep the Board updated on any progress. The SLDMWA had signed the MOU to represent its member agencies in discussions. TID and MID are re-engaging in the process as well. Staff was currently awaiting on news of the Budget Trailer Bill for which the District is being sponsored by Senator Caballero to include funds for the Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir.

6. ACTION ITEMS

A. Board to Review and Approve Resolution Approving Application for IRWM Implementation Grant – Round 2

Anthea provided and reviewed a Draft Resolution Authorizing Application for the 2022 Integrated Regional Water Management Implementation Grant on Behalf of the Westside-San Joaquin IRWM Region in the San Joaquin River Funding Area and Execution of a potential Agreement with the California Department of Water Resources. After review and discussion, the Board approved the Resolution Approving Application for IRWM Implementation Grant – Round 2 as follows:

Ayes: Koster, Bays, Perez, Maring, and Lucich
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: Jasper and Lara

7. WATER OPERATIONS & SUPPLY

A. CVP/SWP Operations

Anthea provided the August Operations Update. She reported that Shasta storage was at 1.6 MAF – 60% of average, and Folsom storage was at 607 TAF – 102% of average. Reclamation had been operating at 3 units at Jones pumping plant and hoped to hold it until September. Also reviewed and discussed was the status of both the Conveyance Agreement and the Warren Act Contract for the Mapes Ranch Transfer.

- B. Monthly Supply/Use/Completed Transactions Summary Report as of 7/31/22
Anthea provided the Supply/Use/Completed Transactions Summary Report as of 7/31/2022 and reported that in-District use for the month of July was 7,133 AF, for a total of 23,937 AF for the year. The total estimated for rescheduling into 2023-24 was shown to be 12,709 AF.
 - C. 2022-23 Additional Supplies Update
Anthea provided and reviewed the 2022-23 Annual Additional Supplies Pool Report and shared that the pool generated 3,605 AF and allocated 3,717 AF based on the likelihood that an additional 100 AF would come from an additional source.
 - D. Landholding / Licensing Updates
Anthea provided and reviewed the Active Permits and Licenses report with the Board.
8. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES
- A. Westside Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Activities
Anthea provided the SLDMWA Staff Report for July '22 and reported that the main item being worked on was the Implementation Grant, for which the District will be the applicant.
 - B. SJVDA/Westside San Joaquin River Watershed Coalition Report(s)
Adam shared that the list of growers who have not complied with NMPs was shorter and continued to reach out to those growers to offer assistance if needed. Staff also continued to update the membership database for submittal to Regional Board by the due date of July 30th. Also reviewed and discussed were the development of a methodology to establish nitrogen loading values and targets as required by WDRs and the Central Valley Basin's Plan's Nitrate Permitting Strategy dividing the Central Valley into Priority 1,2 and non-Prioritized Basins.
 - C. Sustainable Groundwater Management Activities
Adam provided the Delta-Mendota Subbasin Coordination Committee Meeting and reported that the main focus was the Annual Report Data Collection and noted that Staff will be doing water quality sampling on the identified wells in the District, as well as wells for Patterson Irrigation District and Stanislaus County. A 5 year update was also being conducted and making sure the process is in place to handle implementation of the new plan to functionally handle this activity.
 - 1. SGM Implementation Grant – Round 1 Monthly Grant Administrator Update
Anthea reported that Staff would be sending the final responses and edits on the Draft Grant Agreement to the Department of Water Resources. She will be executing the \$7.6 million dollar grant for the region on behalf of DPWD as the Grant Administrator.
 - 2. Policy Discussion Regarding Management Action Enforcement - Continued
Anthea shared that this item would be discussed at the September Board of Directors Meeting.
9. FINANCIAL MATTERS
- A. Report on CalPERS 2021-22 Preliminary Investment Returns
Anthea provided and reviewed a report on CalPERS' announcement on 2021-22 Preliminary Investment Returns with the Board. Anthea shared that the CalPERS preliminary net investment return of -6.1% for the 2021-22 Fiscal Year.
 - B. CVP Financial Matters
Anthea provided the CVP Financial Affairs Committee June Meeting Agenda and reported that the current focus was on figuring out how to have the ability to collect costs for a long term period of time for extraordinary maintenance. She also shared that a follow up meeting with Reclamation took place pertaining to a Placement Component Rate that was going to potentially be tacked on to the Warren Act Contracts. A good showing of push back to this rate has been ongoing and a suggestion to only tack on those rates to WACs that use facilities that the Bureau manages. Anthea also continues to work with Reclamation to reconcile all of the District's historical advance accounts.

10. SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

A. Orestimba Creek Recharge & Recovery Project – Update

Adam provided the July OCRRP Status Update and reported that the focus at the moment was getting geotechnical activities completed in August or September due to utility location work needed to occur first and access permits had to be issued for ground distributing work. Permit applications had been submitted and are currently under review with the various agencies. Work is continuing toward completion of 90% plans, specifications, and engineer's estimate of probable construction cost. Anthea added that she had asked Adam Scheuber and Ben Fenters, Leading Engineer at CCID, to put together a presentation for the September Board of Directors Meeting and give the Board a presentation on the current status of the Orestimba Creek Recharge and Recovery Expansion Project.

B. Del Puerto Canyon Reservoir Project – Update

Anthea provided progress reports and reported that by the end of the week, GeoTech permits will be in place to begin the drilling investigations in the canyon. Both a sonic and conventional driller will be used; She noted that visits could be arranged for any Board Member interested in visiting the drilling sites. The RFP for the replacement of the road will take place in the following weeks. She also gave information on court dates for the hearings on the environmental challenge pertaining to the DPCR and encouraged them to attend. She also hoped to have Terra Geopentech to provide a presentation and update on the DPCR at the September BOD meeting.

C. Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Project - Update

Anthea provided and reviewed the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Joint Powers Authority Minutes and Monthly Report for July. She reported that the service agreements and capacity requests for the Transfer Bethany Pipeline and the Reservoir were a focus of ongoing discussions. Multiple meetings with the Water Authority Activity Agreement team had also taken place. She also shared that she was benefiting from this project, as this was also a State led storage project that is about a year ahead of the District's DPCR.

D. BF Sisk Dam Raise Project – Update

Anthea reported that AA members were finalizing Draft Principles of Agreement for submission to the Bureau of Reclamation. These would govern how the additional storage in San Luis Reservoir would be operated. The Investor's goal as sponsors of the Project is to be in control of their share of the storage.

E. Pacheco Reservoir Expansion – Update

There were no updates on this item.

F. Ceres-DPWD-Turlock Discussions on Advancing Recycled Water into NVRWP Facilities

Anthea provided and reviewed a draft Estimated Cost of Additional Ceres Water for the month of June. A 90 day trial was in progress and once finished, the District would determine whether to would continue the program for up to 12months.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

A. Update to District Rules & Regulations for Water Service - Update

Anthea provided and discussed proposed edits to the Draft Rules and Regulations for Water Service. After discussion, the Board gave direction to Staff on several changes Staff hoped to present those changes for approval from the Board at the September BOD Meeting with those changes for approval from the Board to incorporate.

12. SLDMWA Report

A. SLDMWA Minutes, Reports and Issues Updates

Anthea provided the SLDMWA Minutes for the July 14th meeting and reported on a discussion about taking the O'Neil Pumping Plant off line next spring for a month for repairs. The contractor had been selected and SLDMWA is proceeding forward with the contract. Discussions on operations will be held prior to the outage to ensure no adverse impacts to the contractors.

13. CLOSED SESSION

A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Upon return from closed session, Anthea reported that the Board approved a Solar Conversion Contract with Stanislaus County, which will be executed and forwarded to the County for their approval. Staff also received guidance on a potential water transfer, ongoing legal issues, and one matter of potential litigation.

B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
There was nothing to report on this item.

C. Conference with Special Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
There was nothing to report on this item.

14. ARTICLES/CORRESPONDENCE/PUBLIC OUTREACH

Anthea provided the FY 2020-21 Delta Crosscut Budget Report and an article from Mavens Notebook pertaining to California losing 10% of its water within 20 years.

15. ITEMS TO DISCUSS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54954.2

There was nothing to report on this item.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Anthea G. Hansen
Secretary