

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

Tuesday, December 5, 2023, 10:05 a.m.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items

Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any item on the Agenda before or during consideration of that item, as appropriate.

I. **CALL TO ORDER** (R.CHANEY / M.COMBS)

II. **OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- A. MEETING DATE CHANGE - Please note for the record that the December 7, 2023, meeting was rescheduled to this date due to scheduling conflicts and notice posted as prescribed.
- B. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Members of the public may directly address the Board on any item of interest before or during the Board's consideration of the item but may be limited to the time allowed for comment.
- C. ► ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA - Consider additions/corrections to the Agenda.
- D. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - Any Board member who has a potential conflict-of-interest may now identify the item(s) and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter(s). FPPC §87105

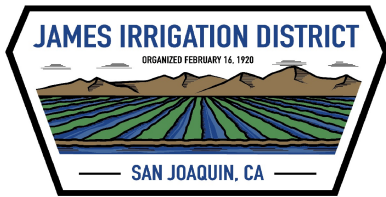
III. **REORGANIZATION**

- A. ► ELECTION OF OFFICERS
 - 1. Conduct election of officers: President, Vice-President
- B. ► AGENCY APPOINTMENTS - Appoint representative(s) to the following agencies:
 - 1. James Irrigation District - Treasurer/Assessor-Collector & Secretary
 - 2. James Irrigation District Retirement/Deferred Compensation Plan - Trustees (3)
 - 3. James Groundwater Sustainability Agency - Directors (4)
 - 4. San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, District 5 - Director & Alternate
 - 5. Kings River Water Association (KRWA) - Director & Alternate
 - 6. Kings River Watershed Coalition Authority - Director & Alternate
 - 7. Kings Basin Water Authority - Director & Alternate
 - 8. Power & Water Resources Pooling Authority (PWRPA) - Director & Alternate
 - 9. Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA JPIA) - Director & Alternate

IV. **MINUTES**

Minutes of the following meetings will be presented for consideration of approval:

- A. ► REGULAR MEETING: NOVEMBER 14, 2023



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V. TREASURER'S REPORT (Water Code §24273)

- A. FINANCIAL REPORTS - Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented.
1. Interim Warrants: November 15-December 7, 2023 - Review warrants and invoices paid since last meeting; presented for approval.
 2. Accounts Payable - Examine unpaid invoices presented for ratification/approval.
 3. Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending November, 2023 - President, General Manager & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
 4. Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): November 30, 2023 (*Unaudited*)
 5. Cash Position Report: November 30, 2023 (Water Code §24273)
 6. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: November 30, 2023

VI. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

The General Manager will report on operations, maintenance, projects and other District matters.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Report on operations, maintenance, projects, equipment and other District matters within the purview of this position.

VIII. DIRECTORS' REPORTS (Gov. Code §53232.3)

Directors will report on meetings and/or conferences attended on behalf of the District.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

- A. CAPITAL EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: HEAVY EQUIPMENT (11/14/2023) - Discussion/possible action regarding potential purchase of backhoe 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

X. REPORT ITEMS

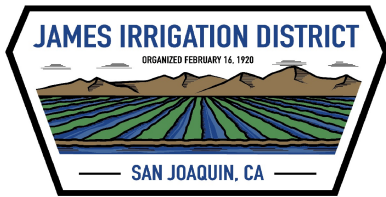
- A. MID-PACIFIC REGION WATER USERS' CONFERENCE: JANUARY 24-26, 2024, RENO, NEVADA
Discuss upcoming event (information only)

The public may comment on the following Closed Session items prior to the Board's adjourning to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

XI. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

- A. SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OR (3) OF SUBDIVISION (D):
4 CASES



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XII. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

A. AS DEFENDANT: 2 CASES

1. NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, ET AL, V HAALAND, ET AL
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California
Case No. 1:5-CV-01207LJO-GSA
2. CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, RESTORE THE DELTA AND PLANNING & CONSERVATION LEAGUE V UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION ET AL (06/08/2021)
United States District Court, Eastern District of California
Case No. 1:20-CV-00706 DAD-EPG

B. AS PLAINTIFF: 3 CASES

1. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL V. JAMES VERBOON ET AL
Kings County Superior Court, Case No. 15 C0304
2. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT VS. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL
Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 19CECG00769
3. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT V. McMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY - Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 23CECG00749

C. AS INTERVENOR: 1 CASE

1. CITY OF FRESNO, ET AL V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
United States Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 1:16-CV-01276-MCW

XIII. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.8 - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

A. FRESNO COUNTY APN 030-090-24S (15.98 ACRES), 030-090-28S (366.07 ACRES) (10/16/2012)

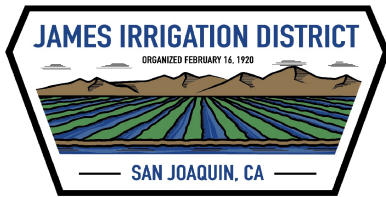
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee
Landowner: Marilyn Fay Briggs, Trustee
Tenant: Thomas Coleman

Under Negotiation: Price, terms & conditions of possible real property and/or water supply transactions

B. JAMES & TRANQUILLITY NEGOTIATIONS

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee
Tranquillity Irrigation District: Danny Wade
Kings River Lower River Units: Scott Sills

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- C. WATER BANKING & TRANSFERS (04/19/2018)
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee
To Be Determined
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply transactions.
- D. WATER BANKING & TRANSFERS (06/22/2021)
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee
McMullin Groundwater Sustainability Agency:
Matthew Hurley, General Manager
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply transactions.
- E. FRESNO COUNTY APN 030-111-48S (66.64 ACRES), APN 030-111-49S (39 ACRES)
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee
Landowner
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible real property and/or water supply transaction.
- F. TERRANOVA RANCH, INC. (05/16/2023)
Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee
Terranova Ranch, Inc.: Don Cameron
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply transactions.

OPEN SESSION

- XIV. **REPORT ON ANY ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION** (Gov. Code §54957.1)
The presiding officer will report on any actions taken during the above Closed Session items.
- XV. **ADJOURN**
► ADJOURN to next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2024, unless otherwise decided by the Board.