

Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
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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. <u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter not on the agenda, but within the Board's jurisdiction. For comment on matters on the current Agenda, public comment will be taken when the Agenda item is called. Public comment is limited to no more than three minutes per person. For good cause, the Chair of the Board may waive this limitation. Gov. Code §54954.3(a) The Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda.
- B. <u>MOMENT OF SILENCE</u> to honor the passing of CATHERINE SCHRAMM THOMSEN (1958-2023), former resident, landowner/grower, wife of grower Keith Thomsen.
- C. ► <u>ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA</u> Consider additions/corrections to the Agenda.
- D. <u>POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST</u> 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. MINUTES

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

A. ➤ REGULAR MEETING: SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

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

- A. <u>FINANCIAL REPORTS</u> Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented.
 - 1. ► <u>Interim Warrants: September 13-October 10, 2023</u> Review warrants and invoices paid since last meeting; presented for approval.
 - 2. ► <u>Accounts Payable</u> Examine unpaid invoices presented for ratification/approval.
 - 3. <u>Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending September, 2023</u> President, General Manager, & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
 - 4. Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): September 30, 2023 (Unaudited)
 - 5. Quarterly Report of Investments: September 30, 2023 [Gov.Code §53646(b)(1)]
 - 6. Cash Position Report: September 30, 2023 (Water Code §24273)
 - 7. Schedule of Long-Term Debt/Notes Payable: September 30, 2023 Quarterly report
 - 8. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: September 30, 2023



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V. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

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

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

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

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

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. <u>TERMINATION OF 2023 DISTRICT DELIVERIES</u> (09/12/2023) Discussion/possible action setting termination date for deliveries to allow for annual canal maintenance/repair.
- B. DISTRICT EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES (09/12/2023) Discussion/possible action regarding rental rate schedule. (Min: 06/07/1994)
- C. <u>WATER POLICY: ON-FARM RECHARGE</u> (12/14/2021) Discussion/possible action regarding grower applications submitted for participation in the 2023 On-Farm Recharge Program.
- D. ►<u>DISTRICT WEBSITE</u> (06/11/2019) Discussion/possible action regarding development of new District website.
- E. ► CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY: 2023 (10/10/2023) Discussion/possible action designating 4 days for observance of the 2023 Christmas holiday.

IX. REPORT ITEMS

None

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

CLOSED SESSION

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

A. <u>JAMES & TRANQUILLITY NEGOTIATIONS</u>

Negotiating Parties: <u>James Irrigation District</u>: General Manager/Designee

<u>Tranquillity Irrigation District</u>: Danny Wade Kings River Lower River Units: Scott Sills

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

water supply transactions

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B. 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.

C. WATER BANKING & TRANSFERS (06/22/2021)

Negotiating Parties: <u>James Irrigation District</u>: General Manager/Designee

McMullin Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply

transactions.

D. <u>Fresno County APN #040-030-46S (6.51 ACRES)</u>

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply

transactions.

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

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

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

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. <u>Center for Biological Diversity, Restore the Delta and Planning &</u>

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

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- B. AS PLAINTIFF: 3 CASES
 - 1. <u>KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL V. JAMES VERBOON ET AL</u>
 Kings County Superior Court, Case No. 15 C0304
 - 2. <u>JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT VS. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL</u> Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 19CECG00769
 - 3. <u>JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT V. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY</u>
 <u>AGENCY</u> Fresno County Superior Court, Case No. 23CECG00749
- C. <u>AS INTERVENOR</u>: 1 CASE
 - CITY OF FRESNO, ET AL V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 United States Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 1:16-CV-01276-MCW

OPEN SESSION

XIII. 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.

XIV. ADJOURN

➤ <u>ADJOURN</u> to next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 14, 2023, unless otherwise decided by the Board.

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