

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

Tuesday, January 12, 2021, 10:10 a.m.

8749 9th Street, Post Office Box 757, San Joaquin, California 93660-0757

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Remote Participation Meeting

Call-in Number: 1(877)873-8017, Participant Passcode: 6934356

Executive Orders N-29-20 and N-35-20

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Orders (N-29-20 and N-35-20) and the declared State of Emergency, including social distancing directives as a result of the threat of the COVID-19 virus, this meeting will be conducted by telephone and in person to the extent possible given local government directives. Board members and select District Staff will be participating in this meeting by teleconference from a conference room provided by the District or from a remote location of their choosing. Members of the public may participate in this meeting by attending in person or by using the teleconference information referenced above. The District will strictly adhere to all public health directives and guidance. Attendees will be required to wear masks at all times and will maintain the appropriate distance from other attendees. In-person attendance will be limited to twenty (20) people, including Directors and District Staff. Members of the public are encouraged to use the call-in number, which will allow them to fully participate in the meeting without having to be present in person. If members of the public have any problems using the call-in number during the meeting, please contact the District Office at (559) 693-4356.

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A person with a qualifying disability under the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 may request the District provide a disability-related modification or accommodation in order to participate in any public meeting of the District. Such assistance includes appropriate alternative formats for the Agendas and Agenda packets used for any public meetings of the District. Requests for such assistance and for Agendas and Agenda packets shall be made in person, by telephone, facsimile or written correspondence to the General Manager at the District office at least 48 hours before a public District meeting.

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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 / J.HUGHES)

II. OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Any member of the public may address the Board concerning any matter not on the agenda, but within the Board's jurisdiction. Public comment is limited to no more than three minutes per person. For good cause, the Chair of the Board may waive this limitation.
- B. ► ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA - Consider approving additions/corrections as necessary
- C. 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
- D. ► ELECTION OF OFFICERS
 - 1. Conduct election of officers: Secretary-Treasurer, Assessor-Collector

III. MINUTES

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

- A. ► REGULAR MEETING: DECEMBER 8, 2020

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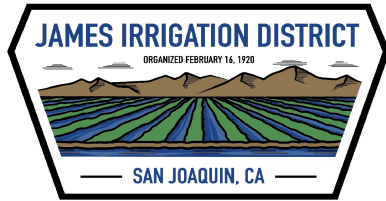
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IV. TREASURER'S REPORT (Water Code §24273)

- A. FINANCIAL REPORTS - Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented.
1. Interim Warrants: December 9, 2020-January 12, 2021 - Presented for review/approval.
 2. Accounts Payable - Review invoices submitted for approval.
 3. Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending December, 2020 - President, Secretary-Treasurer to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
 4. Annual Report of Remuneration to Board of Directors: January 1-December 31, 2020 (Gov. Code §53065.5)
 5. Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): December 31, 2020 (*Unaudited*)
 6. Quarterly Report of Investments: December 31, 2020 [Gov. Code §53646(b)(1)]
 7. Cash Position Report: December 31, 2020 (Water Code §24273)
 8. Reserve Account Balance Trend Report: December 31, 1999-December 31, 2020
 9. Schedule of Long-Term Debt/Notes Payable: December 31, 2020 - Quarterly report
 10. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: December 31, 2020
 11. Work Order Status Report: December 31, 2020
 12. District Labor Cost / Acre Foot: 2020 - Report labor cost/acre foot for prior year deliveries
- B. FISCAL BUDGET: 2021-2022 - Review budget forecast draft and consider making adjustments where warranted (discussion only).

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

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

VI. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

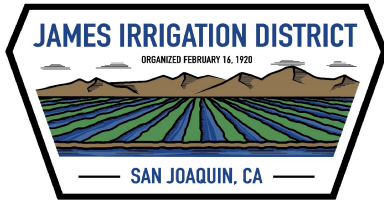
The General Manager will report on operations, maintenance, projects and other District matters.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Report on operations, maintenance, projects, equipment and other District matters.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1606-OPERATION & MAINTENANCE MANUAL (11/10/2020)
RD1606 requested the "Levee Owner's Manual for Non-Federal Flood Control Works" as approved/adopted 09/17/2020 be reviewed with James ID.
- B. REPLACEMENT FOR WELL D-40 (08/11/2020) - Discuss location for replacement well.
- C. REPLACEMENT FOR WELL D-15 (08/11/2020) - Discuss location for replacement well.
- D. FISCAL AUDIT: MARCH 1, 2020-FEBRUARY 28, 2021 - Authorization to perform audit/solicit bids for services.



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- E. ➤ DISTRICT INVESTMENT POLICIES (01/12/2021) - Annual review of District investment policies; consider amendments if warranted. (Calif. Gov. Code 53646)
- F. ➤ DISTRICT EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES (01/12/2021) - Annual review of rental rate schedule.
- G. ➤ ANNUAL MEETING (01/12/2021) - Set date for next event; discuss arrangements, Agenda items

IX. REPORT ITEMS

- A. DISTRICT PUMPING CAPACITY (05/14/2002) - Report re: pump test results, achieving/maintaining target of 85,000 GPM
- B. POWER & WATER RESOURCES POOLING AUTHORITY (07/14/2020) - Update on moving electrical loads from PG&E to PWRPA.
- C. REVERSE WELLS (01/12/2020) - Discuss feasibility of drilling reverse wells for groundwater recharge.
- D. NPDES PERMIT MODIFICATION (09/08/2020) - Progress report on extending District permit to include the James Bypass.
- E. WEED CONTROL (04/09/2019) - Discuss weed control services.
- F. SEXUAL HARASSMENT TRAINING & EDUCATION (01/12/2021) - Biennial training (2 hours) required by State law (SB1343); discuss scheduling class.

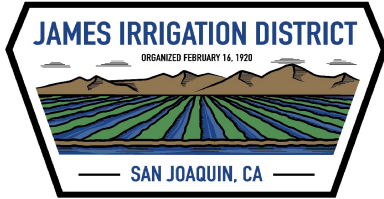
The public may comment on the following Closed Session items prior to the Board's adjourning to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

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

- A. AS DEFENDANT: 3 CASES
 1. NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, ET AL, V BERNHARDT, ET AL
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California
Case No. 1:5-CV-01207LJO-GSA
 2. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY VS. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT; JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 20CECG00507
 3. AMY BEZERA VS. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 20CECG00572

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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. WESTLANDS WATER DISTRICT
Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 20CECG00688

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

XI. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54957 - PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

- A. TITLE: STAFF ACCOUNTANT (1)

XII. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54957 - PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

- A. TITLE: GENERAL MANAGER (1)

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

A. JAMES & TRANQUILLITY NEGOTIATIONS

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

Tranquillity Irrigation District: Danny Wade

Kings River Lower River Units: Scott Sills

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

B. CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT (CVP) REPAYMENT CONTRACT (06/11/2019)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

Scott K. Kuney, Esq., Alan F. Doud, Esq.

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation: Michael Jackson, P.E.

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

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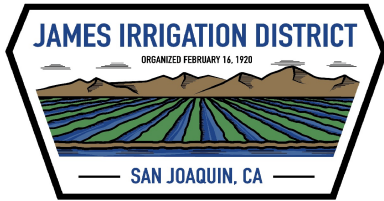
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C. BURFORD FARMS (03/10/2020)

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Burford Farms: Jill Burford Minnick

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

D. FRESNO COUNTY APN 035-060-64 PTN (10/14/2014)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

Landowner: Abrahamian Trust, Kenneth Abrahamian, Jr.

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

OPEN SESSION

XIV. REPORT ON ANY ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

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, February 9, 2021, unless otherwise decided by the Board.