

Tuesday, January 10, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

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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 teledonor 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.

Americans With Disabilities Act

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Standing Request for Notice

Any request for mailed copies of Regular and Special Board Meeting agendas shall be valid for the calendar year in which it is filed and must be renewed in writing January 1st of each year. The District reserves the right to establish a fee for mailing agendas provided the fee does not exceed the cost of providing the service. Materials related to an agenda item submitted to the Board of Directors after distribution of the agenda are available for public inspection at the District office during normal business hours.
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.

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I. CALL TO ORDER (R.CHANEY)

II. ► RESOLUTION RENEWING USE OF REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER AB361

If necessary, consider re-approving findings made in Resolution 2022-01 (01/11/2022) to enable remote teleconference and/or internet meetings to continue under the Ralph M. Brown Act so long as a state of emergency continues to exist from COVID-19. If no action is taken, meetings will continue in-person.

III. 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. 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)
- B. ►<u>ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA</u> Consider additions/corrections to the Agenda.
- C. <u>POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST</u> Any Board member who has a potential conflict-ofinterest may now identify the item(s) and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter(s). FPPC §87105

IV. <u>MINUTES</u>

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

A.
<u>REGULAR MEETING: DECEMBER 13, 2022</u>

V. <u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u> (Water Code §24273)

- A. <u>FINANCIAL REPORTS</u> Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented.
 - 1. ►<u>Interim Warrants: December 14, 2022 January 10, 2023</u> Review checks and supporting invoices issued since last meeting; presented for approval.
 - 2. Accounts Payable Examine unpaid invoices presented for approval.
 - 3. <u>Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending December, 2023</u> President, General Manager, & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
 - 4. <u>Annual Report of Remuneration to Board of Directors: January 1-December 31,</u> <u>2022</u> (Gov. Code §53065.5)
 - 5. Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): December 31, 2022 (Unaudited)
 - 6. Quarterly Report of Investments: December 31, 2022 [Gov Code §53646(b)(1)]
 - 7. <u>Cash Position Report: December 31, 2022</u> (Water Code §24273)
 - 8. <u>Reserve Account Balance Trend Report: December 31, 2021- December 31, 2022</u>
 - 9. <u>Schedule of Long Term/Notes Payable: December 31, 2022</u> Quarterly Report



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- 10. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: December 31, 2022
- 11. <u>District Labor Costs/Acre Foot: 2022</u>-Report Labor Costs/Acre Foot per prior year deliveries

VI. <u>GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT</u>

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

VII. <u>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</u>

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. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>

- A. ►<u>BOARD VACANCY</u> (12/13/2022) Discussion/possible action regarding Board appointment.
- B. ►<u>FISCAL BUDGET: MARCH 1, 2023-FEBRUARY 29,2024</u> (01/10/2023) Discussion/possible action regarding review, discuss and consider approval of Budget. In accordance with California Water Code §24274
- C. ►<u>DISTRICT INVESTMENT POLICIES</u> (01/10/2023) Annual review of District investment policies last enacted by Resolution 2017-01; re-approved 01/11/2022. Consider amendments if warranted; otherwise re-approve. (Calif. Gov. Code 53646)
- D. ►<u>RESERVE POLICY</u> Annual review of guidelines enacted by Resolution 2017-07, as amended 01/11/2022 otherwise re-approve
- E. ►<u>DISTRICT EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES</u> (01/10/2023) Conduct annual review of District Rental rate schedule. Discussion/possible action if warranted, otherwise re-approve. (Min: 06/07/1994)
- F. ►<u>ANNUAL MEETING (01/10/2023)</u> Discussion/possible action setting date for 2023 Annual Meeting. (Min: 01/12/2021)
- G. ►<u>FEE REIMBURSEMENT (01/10/2023)</u> Discussion/possible action regarding Director reimbursement for eminent domain action.

X. <u>REPORT ITEMS</u>

A. ►<u>STRATEGIC PLANNING</u> (02/08/2022) - Discussion/possible action on District Strategic Planning, Plan Development & Plan Implementation.



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

CLOSED SESSION

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

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</u> <u>LITIGATION</u>

- A. <u>As Defendant</u>: 2 Cases
 - <u>NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, ET AL, V HAALAND, ET AL</u> 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> <u>CONSERVATION LEAGUE V UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION ET AL</u> (06/08/2021) United States District Court, Eastern District of California Case No. 1:20-CV-00706 DAD-EPG
- B. <u>AS PLAINTIFF</u>: 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. 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. <u>As Intervenor</u>: 1 Case
 - 1. <u>CITY OF FRESNO, ET AL V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u> United States Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 1:16-CV-01276-MCW



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XIII. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.8 - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR **JAMES & TRANQUILLITY NEGOTIATIONS** A. **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. SOUTHWEST GROUNDWATER RECHARGE PROJECT (11/13/2012) James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee **Negotiating Parties:** Fresno Irrigation District: Bill Stretch Price, terms and conditions of possible real property and/or Under Negotiation: water supply transactions/Department of Water Resources **Proposition 84 Grant Application** 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/DesigneeMcMullin Groundwater Sustainability AgencyUnder Negotiation:Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply
transactions.

E. <u>WHITE PINE RENEWABLES</u> (04/13/2021)

Negotiating Parties:	James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee
	<u>White Pine Renewables</u> : Evan Riley
Under Negotiation:	Price, terms and conditions of possible real property transaction.

 F.
 FRESNO COUNTY APN 030-090-29S (4.66 ACRES), APN 030-090-30S (2.03 ACRES) (06/11/2019)

 Negotiating Parties:
 James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

 Landowner
 Under Negotiation:

 Price, terms of payment.
 Price, terms of payment.



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G.	FRESNO COUNTY APN #040-030-46S (6.51 ACRES)		
	Negotiating Parties:	James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee	
		Landowner	
	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 (Gov.Code §54957.1)

The presiding officer will report on any actions taken during the above Closed Session items.

XV. <u>ADJOURN</u>

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