

# JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SPECIAL MEETING

### MINUTES April 13, 2020

#### ATTENDANCE

##### DIRECTORS PRESENT (3)

Robert Motte, President (Telephone)  
Robert Barcellos  
Riley Chaney (Telephone)

##### STAFF PRESENT (2)

Steven Stadler, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer  
Donna Hanneman, Executive Assistant

##### VACANT (1)

##### LANDOWNERS / GROWERS NONE

##### EXCUSED NONE

##### PUBLIC / CONSULTANTS NONE

##### ABSENT (1)

Micah Combs, Vice-President

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#### I. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT was held Monday, April 13, 2020, in the District office located at 8749 Ninth Street, San Joaquin, California. The meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m., by General Manager, Steven Stadler. A quorum was at all times present and acting.

Mr. Stadler noted this meeting was being conducted in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 and the declared State of Emergency as a result of the threat of COVID-19 virus pandemic. Some members of the Board of Directors were participating telephonically from remote locations. Members of the public were encouraged to use the call-in number to allow them to fully participate in the meeting without having to be present.

#### II. OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

##### A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

##### B. ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no corrections/additions to the Agenda.

##### C. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST [FPPC §87105]

Directors were given an opportunity to identify potential conflicts-of-interest with items appearing on the Agenda; none were reported.

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## III. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Stadler updated the Board as follows:

### A. OPERATIONS

#### ▶ U.S.B.R. / Central Valley Project

- Allocations remain at 15% to South-of-Delta contractors. There is a possibility this may be a Shasta-critical year. If a Shasta-critical year is declared, the declaration may be reversed the following month as conditions have improved with recent storms. There is still uncertainty regarding further increases in allocations.

### Adjourned to Closed Session at 3:08 p.m.

Attending:

Robert Motte, President (Telephone)

Robert Barcellos, Director

Riley Chaney, Director (Telephone)

Staff:

Steven Stadler, General Manager, Secretary-Treasurer

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

1 CASE

## V. 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

D. AS CLAIMANT: 1 CASE

1. PG&E CORPORATION AND PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (04/13/2020)  
United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California  
San Francisco Division, Chapter 11 Case No. 19-30088 (DM) (Lead Case)  
(Jointly Administered)

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

A. WATER BANKING & TRANSFERS (04/19/2018)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: Steven Stadler  
San Luis Water District: Lon Martin  
Other CVP Contractors: General Managers/Designees  
Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible water supply transactions.

**Reconvened in Open Session at 3:19 p.m.**

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## VII. REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

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Action: Mr. Stadler stated the Board gave him direction on water banking and transfer matters which cannot be disclosed at this time due to possible transactions.

## VIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was ADJOURNED at 3:20 p.m., until the next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 12, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

RECORDED BY:

APPROVED BY:

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Donna Y. Hanneman, Executive Assistant

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Robert Motte, President

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Steven P. Stadler, P.E.

General Manager, Secretary-Treasurer