

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 10:00 a.m.
8749 9th Street, San Joaquin, California 93660

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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.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** (CHANEY / GROPPETTI)

2. **➤ ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Consider additions/corrections to the Agenda.

3. **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)

4. **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. The Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on matters discussed that are not on the Agenda.

5. **OTHER BUSINESS**

a. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT ANNIVERSARY OF FORMATION - February 16th will mark the 105th anniversary of the District's formation in 1920.

6. **MINUTES**

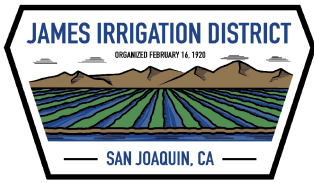
Minutes of the following meetings will be considered for APPROVAL:

- a. ➤ REGULAR MEETING: JANUARY 14, 2025
- b. ➤ SPECIAL MEETING: JANUARY 27, 2025

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT** (Water Code §24273)

Reports reflecting the financial status of the District will be presented as follows:

- a. ➤ Interim Warrants: January 15-February 11, 2025 - Review warrants and supporting invoices paid since last meeting; presented for approval.
- b. ➤ Accounts Payable - Examine unpaid invoices presented for approval/authorization to issue payment.



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- c. Payroll Certification: Pay Periods Ending January, 2025 - President, General Manager & Office Manager to certify listing of payroll checks issued.
- d. Income Statements (Budget-to-Actual): January 31, 2025 (*Unaudited*)
- e. Cash Position Report: January 31, 2025 (Water Code §24273)
- f. Accounts Receivable Activity Report: January 31, 2025

8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

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

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

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

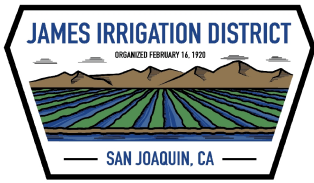
Directors will report on meetings and/or conferences attended on behalf of the District.

11. ACTION ITEMS

- a. ► RESOLUTION: PROTESTING RAISIN CITY WATER DISTRICT ANNEXATION (02/11/2025) - Discussion/possible action protesting Raisin City Water District annexation efforts.
- b. ► RESOLUTION: APPROVING WATER PURCHASE FOR THE 2025 WATER YEAR (01/14/2025) - Discussion/possible action authorizing General Manager to explore potential to procure surplus surface water for 2025-26 irrigations.
- c. ► FISCAL BUDGET: MARCH 1, 2025-FEBRUARY 28, 2026 (01/27/2025) - Discussion/possible action following review of budget forecast including rates and charges.
- d. ► DISTRICT EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES (02/11/2025) - Discussion/possible action following annual review of equipment rental rate schedule.
- e. ► FISCAL AUDIT: MARCH 1, 2024 - FEBRUARY 28, 2025 (02/11/2025) - Discussion/possible action issuing authorization to perform audit or solicit bids for audit services.
- f. ► ANNUAL MEETING (02/11/2025) - Discussion/possible action setting date for next event, arrangements, Agenda items.

12. REPORT ITEMS

- a. ANNUAL FILING OF STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST FORMS (02/11/2025) - As required by the Political Reform Act, Gov. Code §81000-91015, all Directors must file annual Conflict-of-Interest forms (Form 700) no later than April 1, 2025.
- b. A.C.W.A. SPRING CONFERENCE: MONTEREY, CA (02/11/2025) - Discuss upcoming event



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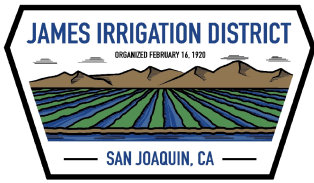
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The public may comment on the following Closed Session items prior to the Board's adjourning to Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

13. **CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54957 - PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT**
a. SECRETARY
14. **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
15. **CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION**

AS DEFENDANT: 3 CASES
a. 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
b. 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
c. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY V JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 24CECG03049 (08/13/2024)
- AS PLAINTIFF: 3 CASES
d. KINGS RIVER WATER ASSOCIATION ET AL V. JAMES VERBOON ET AL
Kings County Superior Court, Case No. 15 C0304
e. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT V. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
Santa Clara County Superior Court, Case No. 23CV417565
f. JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT V. MCMULLIN AREA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY & LANDOWNERS WITHIN MAGSA'S BOUNDARIES
Santa Clara County Superior Court, Case No. 24CV447516
- AS INTERVENOR: 1 CASE
g. CITY OF FRESNO, ET AL V. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
United States Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 1:16-CV-01276-MCW



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16. 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. SOUTHWEST GROUNDWATER RECHARGE PROJECT (11/13/2012)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

Fresno Irrigation District: Bill Stretch

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

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: MCMULLIN AREA GSA (06/22/2021)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

McMullin GSA: Matthew Hurley, General Manager

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

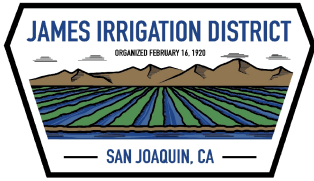
e. WHITEPINE RENEWABLES (04/13/2021)

Negotiating Parties: James Irrigation District: General Manager/Designee

White Pine Renewables: Evan Riley

Under Negotiation: Price, terms and conditions of possible real property transaction.

OPEN SESSION



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17. **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.
18. **ADJOURN**
► ADJOURN to next Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 11, 2025, unless otherwise decided by the Board.