

**TRI-DAM PROJECT
MINUTES OF THE JOINT BOARD
OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

April 16, 2026
Manteca, California

The Joint Boards of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District and the South San Joaquin Irrigation District met in joint session at the office of South San Joaquin Irrigation District, Manteca, California, on the above date for the purpose of conducting business of the Tri-Dam Project, pursuant to the resolution adopted by each of the respective Districts on July 29, 1955.

President Spyksma called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

OID DIRECTORS

SSJID DIRECTORS

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

BRAD DEBOER
JACOB DEBOER
HERMAN DOORNENBAL
TOM ORVIS
ED TOBIAS

JOHN HOLBROOK
DAVID ROOS
GLENN SPYKSMA
BILLY VAN RYN
MIKE WESTSTEYN

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

NONE

Also Present:

Summer Nicotero, General Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Peter Rietkerk, General Manager, SSJID; Scot Moody, General Manager, OID; Brett Gordon, Operations and Maintenance Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Tracey McKnight, Compliance Coordinator, Tri-Dam Project; Mia Brown, General Counsel, SSJID; Carey Martin, Board Clerk, Tri-Dam Project.

BOARD PRESIDENT COMMENT

President Spyksma addressed the Board regarding the recent loss of Twyla Capurro during the Canyon Tunnel incident earlier this week. He requested the Board and members present at the meeting take a moment of silence to remember Twyla's life. He expressed condolences to her family, friends and coworkers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Spyksma stated the Board received correspondence from the Lake Tulloch Weed Alliance for a complaint regarding aquatic invasive species at the Tulloch reservoir. No further comment would be made by the Board on the issue.

Caller Brian Bowman asked when the Board will be responding to the letter. General Council Mia Brown stated the Board had received the correspondence, however, because it is not an agenda item, no further comment will be made. The Board will review and respond as appropriate.

CONSENT CALENDAR

ITEM #1 Approve the Regular Board Minutes of March 19, 2026

ITEM #2 Approve the Treasurer's Report for the three months ending March 31, 2026

ITEM #3 Approve the March 2026 Statement of Obligations

Director B. DeBoer asked if he was able to vote to approve Board minutes for a meeting he was absent from. General Council Mia Brown advised he could, or he could abstain if he wished.

A motion was made by Director Weststeyn, seconded by Director Orvis to approve consent items #1-3 as presented.

The motion passed 10-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spysma, Van Ryn, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ACTION CALENDAR

ITEM #4 Consider approval of the PG&E Islanding Agreement

General Manager Summer Nicotero advised the item is being pulled from the Agenda as the Agreement was not received in time to bring to the Board this month. It will be brought back to the May meeting.

No action is required by the Board.

ITEM #5 Consider approval of the Silicon Valley Power Islanding Agreement

General Manager Summer Nicotero advised the item is being pulled from the Agenda as the Agreement was not received in time to bring to the Board this month. It will be brought back to the May meeting.

No action is required by the Board.

ITEM #6 Consider approval of the Strawberry Office Roof Replacement Quote and subsequent capital budget adjustment

Operations & Maintenance Manager Brett Gordon advised the roof is forty years old and needs repair. The request is to approve the quote submitted by True Tech.

Director Roos asked if the Strawberry office will continue to be used once the Sonora office remodel is completed. Operations & Maintenance Manager Brett Gordon advised the desk operators will remain in Strawberry for a while before making the transition to the Sonora office. Director Roos also recommended assessing the trees around the office for any tree maintenance.

There was discussion regarding the snow load on the roof and if the insulation needed to be replaced. Operations & Maintenance Manager Brett Gordon advised the insulation would need to be replaced, but it was not included in the quote by True Tech.

Director Weststeyn stated no decision could be made on the insulation as it was not before the Board for approval.

General Manager Summer Nicotero stated the roof replacement will be put on hold until a quote for insulation could be obtained and brought back for approval by the Board.

Director Orvis asked if the insulation was included in the budget. General Manager Summer Nicotero stated it was not, but the suggestion would be to add it as capital, not a maintenance cost.

A motion was made by Director Holbrook, seconded by Director Orvis to approve the quote from True Tech of \$74,750, with a capital budget adjustment of \$24,750.

The motion passed 10-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Van Ryn, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM #7 Consider approval of the Donnells Powerhouse HVAC unit replacement quote

Operations & Maintenance Manager Brett Gordon advised the HVAC unit needs to be replaced and recommends the quote from Foust be approved.

A motion was made by Director J. DeBoer, seconded by Director Van Ryn to approve the quote by Foust.

The motion passed 10-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Van Ryn, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM #8 Consider approval of the CalNeva Water Services Contract

General Manager Summer Nicotero stated this will be an official contract for Stefanie Morris to provide legal services to Tri-Dam Project.

Director Spyksma asked SSJID General Manager Peter Rietkirk and OID General Manager Scot Moody if they have agreed to this contract. Both stated they agree. General Manager Peter Rietkirk stated there has been good coordination and delegation of services between the Districts.

Director Weststeyn stated the contract does not specify any travel costs. General Manager Scot Moody stated Stefanie Morris has been billing OID for any travel time, but it has been minimal.

Legal Council Stefanie Morris stated the contract is intended for water issues for the Districts and Tri Dam. Most, if not all of the consulting has been virtual.

A motion was made by Director Orvis, seconded by Director Weststeyn to approve the item as presented.

The motion passed 10-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Van Ryn, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM # 9 Staff Reports

- A. General Manager Report: General Manager Nicotero stated she received a jury duty notice for May 4, which is the same date as the Advisory Committee meeting. She will keep everyone informed of any changes. She reminded the Board the May meeting is in Strawberry.
- Director B. DeBoer asked about the status of the Sonora office remodel. General Manager Summer Nicotero stated the demolition has been completed and they have cut in the windows and doors. She visits every other week for progress reports and to make any cost-saving updates to the project.
- Director Orvis thanked Summer and Tracey again for the work on the golden mussel efforts. Southern California is currently experiencing a lot of issues related to the mussels and they are having to spend a lot of money to mitigate the spread.
- General Manager Summer Nicotero stated the USFS was able to issue the forest order to close the Beardsley boat ramp however, we are reviewing to determine if there is a way to open for boating in the future and still be mindful about the potential effects down river.
- Director Holbrook commented on the lower Donnell's generation. General Manager Summer Nicotero stated SVP is trying to maximize the flow and taking advantage of evening hours when there is less use of solar.
- Director Spyksma inquired about the flood study at Beardsley Reservoir. General Manager Summer Nicotero provided some history regarding the flood study. She stated we have researched where the numbers came from to determine the original flood levels on the dam, but there does not seem to be any evidence to support it. Tri Dam staff have done some measurements and internal calculations. We will be doing an Analysis of Alternatives to have everything reviewed and determine what changes can be made.
- B. Operations & Maintenance Report: General Manager Summer Nicotero pointed out the pictures of the "dam donkey" at Donnell's Dam. Tri Dam staff demonstrated the working condition of the donkey during a recent FERC inspection. Tri Dam takes great care to ensure the donkey is still in excellent working condition. She stated several of the FERC specialists commented on the condition as well.
- C. Compliance Report: Compliance Coordinator Tracey McKnight stated she participated in a CDFW training on golden mussels along the Delta River in Stockton. They have determined there is not a one-size fits all solution. She learned the lifespan of the mussel is more than what was originally thought, and the weight of the mussels can severely impact the buoyancy of boats and other water floating vessels. Director Holbrook stated it seemed like all the actions Tri Dam took at the beginning of the golden mussel outbreak seemed like overkill, but the efforts have proven to be extremely beneficial.
- D. Canyon Tunnel Update: Peter Rietkerk, General Manager, SSJID stated the Canyon Tunnel Project experienced a rock fall incident this week that resulted in one injury and one fatality. Peter conveyed our hearts, thoughts and prayers are with Twyla Capurro's family, friends and coworkers. SSJID and OID released a joint statement on April 15 regarding the incident and at this time no further comments will be made.

ITEM #10 Generation Report

General Manager Summer Nicotero stated Operations & Maintenance Manager, Brett Gordon, has been reviewing new tactics to maximize storage. He has been utilizing the forecasting tool and that has been very helpful. She pointed out we are consistently meeting generation numbers.

ITEM #11 SJB October Field Report

General Manager Summer Nicotero advised the FishBio fisheries study has concluded with the final report being completed. The study is now closed after nine years.

ITEM #12 Board Comments

Director Tobias gave his condolences to the family of Twyla Capurro. He appreciates the first responders who assisted in the incident and is appreciative of Tri Dam staff and fellow Board members.

Director J. DeBoer recognized Twyla Capurro for the work she did and her coworkers that were involved in the incident. He thanked senior staff for the collaboration between all three Districts. He stressed the need to have the Power Purchase Agreements in place.

Director Holbrook thanked Summer and staff for pursuing all the issues that come up with solutions. He gave condolences to Twyla Capurro's family and to all the crews that worked on the scene of the fatality.

Director Van Ryn echoed the statements of other Board members. His thoughts and prayers are with Twyla Capurro. He thanked Summer, Brett and Tracey for the work they do.

Director Weststeyn gave condolences for Twyla Capurro's family. He thanked staff for all the work being done on regulations and the other work being completed. He further stated he learned of a new fire suppression method we may want to research further.

Director Roos gave condolences for Twyla Capurro's family. He stated he did the Canyon Tunnel tour a couple of weeks ago and it was a great experience. He thanked Summer and staff.

Director Orvis gave condolences to Twyla Capurro's family. He stated he also attended the Canyon Tunnel Tour a couple of weeks ago and met Twyla. He noted that many other Districts have reached out to offer support during this time.

Director Doornenbal offered condolences for Twyla Capurro's family and offered prayers.

Director B. DeBoer echoed all statements made by the Board. He suggested that some form of memorial for Twyla should be considered for installation at the Canyon Tunnel Project. He thanked staff for the work they do and is impressed by the condition of the dam donkey. He appreciates staff thinking outside of the box for solutions. Director B. DeBoer stated he hopes the power pole replacement is moving forward and they should all learn more about the Power Purchase Agreements to become more educated with the process.

Director Spysma expressed his condolences for Twyla Capurro. He directed to anyone needing support to seek help from available EAP programs.

General Council Mia Brown addressed the Board before the recess to add a late agenda item to the agenda for closed-session regarding exposure litigation for one (1) unspecified case. The item may be added at the discretion of the Board pursuant to Government Code section 54954.2(b)(2), based upon the findings that: 1) the item came to the attention of the Board after the posting of the agenda, and 2) that the item requires immediate attention. Approval requires an affirmative 2/3 vote of the Board.

A motion was made by Director Orvis, seconded by Director Holbrook to approve adding the late item to closed session based on the above findings.

The motion passed 10-0 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: B. DeBoer, J. DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spysma, Van Ryn, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

The Board adjourned to the Tri-Dam Power Authority meeting at 10:15 a.m., and reconvened at 10:16 a.m.

The Board recessed from 10:17 a.m. to 10:44 a.m.

The Board convened in closed session at 10:44 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

11.a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)

1. *San Joaquin Tributaries Authority, et al v. California State Water Resources Control Board*
County of Sacramento Superior Court
Case No. JCCP 5013

b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2)
One (1) Case

c. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Government Code § 54656.8
Property: Water
Agency Negotiator: SSJID General Manager, OID General Manager
Negotiating Parties: Parties Unknown
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment of Sale

Added as a late agenda item per Government Code section 54954.2(b)(2):

d. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of Litigation
Government Code § 54956.9(c)

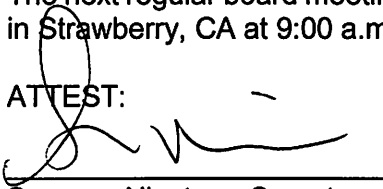
The Board reconvened to open session at 12:26 p.m.
President Spyksma stated there were no reportable actions taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

President Spyksma adjourned the meeting at: 12:26 p.m.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2026, at the offices of the Tr-Dam Project located in Strawberry, CA at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:



Summer Nicotero, Secretary
Tri-Dam Project