

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

November 17, 2022  
Oakdale, 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 Oakdale Irrigation District in Oakdale, 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 Orvis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**OID DIRECTORS**

**SSJID DIRECTORS**

***DIRECTORS PRESENT:***

ED TOBIAS  
LINDA SANTOS  
TOM ORVIS  
HERMAN DOORNENBAL

BOB HOLMES  
MIKE WESTSTEYN  
GLENN SPYKSMA  
DAVE KAMPER

**Also, Present:**

Jeff Shields, Interim General Manager; Scot A. Moody, General Manager, Oakdale Irrigation District; Peter Rietkerk, General Manager, South San Joaquin Irrigation District; Sharon Cisneros, Chief Financial Officer, Oakdale Irrigation District; Susan Larson, License Compliance Coordinator, Tri-Dam Project; Genna Modrell, Finance Asst., Tri-Dam Project; Chris Tuggle, Operations and Maintenance Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Tim O'Laughlin, Counsel, via zoom.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- ITEM #1    Approve the regular board meeting minutes of October 20, 2022.**
- ITEM #2    Approve the October statement of obligations.**
- ITEM #3    Approve the Financial Statements for the seven months ending September 30, 2022.**

Director Doornenbal noted a correction in the October minutes. Directors DeBoer and Doornenbal both voted no on item 6 Cyber Security Locks.

Director Santos moved to approve items one through three on the consent calendar with the noted corrections. Director Weststeyn seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Orvis, Doornenbal, Santos, Tobias, Holmes, Kamper, Spyksma, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: DeBoer, Holbrook

*Jeff Shields requested to take Item #10 out of order.*

## **ACTION CALENDAR**

### **ITEM #10 Discussion regarding the Power Purchase agreement process in negotiation.**

Jeff Shields and Kevin Coffee, Z-Global, presented the quotes for the power purchase agreement.

### **ITEM #4 Review and possible action approve holiday time off between Christmas and New Year's for all Tri-Dam employees.**

Jeff Shields recommended providing paid days off between Christmas and New Year's Day for all Tri-Dam employees, which will result in 3-4 days, depending on each employee's work week. Staff unable to utilize the time off on those designated days will have until March 31, 2023 to use the time. If not used by that date, it will roll over into their vacation accrual balance to use at a later date.

Director Tobias moved to approve the time off as presented. Director Weststeyn seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Orvis, Santos, Tobias, Holmes, Kamper, Spyksma, Weststeyn

NOES: Doornenbal

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: DeBoer, Holbrook

### **ITEM #5 Review and possible action to approve of the Associated California Water Agencies Annual 2023 Membership Dues.**

Director Kamper moved to approve as presented. Director Tobias seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Orvis, Doornenbal, Santos, Tobias, Holmes, Kamper, Spyksma, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: DeBoer, Holbrook

### **ITEM #6 Review and possible action to approve the purchase of a milling machine and corresponding budget amendment.**

Jeff Shields presented and advised that no budget amendment would be needed due to a 3 – 6 month lead time.

Director Holmes moved to approve as presented. Director Santos seconded the motion.

The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Santos, Holmes, Kamper

NOES: Orvis, Doornenbal, Tobias, Spyksma, Weststeyn

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: DeBoer, Holbrook

## **DISCUSSION**

### **ITEM #7 2022 IBEW Incentive Program.**

Jeff Shields presented the current hours of downtime and advised that staff is expected to receive the full amount of this program and noted Beardsley is scheduled to come back online November 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **ITEM #8 Canyon Tunnel Update Presentation – 90% Design Proposal.**

Forrest Killingsworth and Scott Lewis, Provost and Prichard Engineering, provided an update on the canyon tunnel project and estimated March 2025 start date and close out in March 2028.

## **ITEM #9 Discussion regarding the 1988 Agreement Conservation Accounting – *to be presented at the meeting.***

Brandon Nakagawa presented a summary of the District's Conservation Account for Water Year 2023 and advised staff would prepare an amended agreement for consideration at each District's respective regular board meeting.

## **ITEM #11 Discussion of the 2023 Draft Budget – *to be presented at the meeting.***

After a brief discussion the Board decided it was not necessary to hold an advisory meeting before the December regular meeting. Director Spyksma requested a priority list of capital items.

## **Communications**

### **ITEM #12 Staff Reports:**

- A. Interim General Manager, Jeff Shields
  - Jeff advised he had four matters for closed session.
- B. Operations and Maintenance Manager, Chris Tuggle
  - Nothing more to add than what's reported.
- C. License Compliance Coordinator, Susan Larson
  - Susan Larson provided updates on Hells Half Acre, Tulloch Spillway Road, and Beardsley MOA for Data Recovery.

### **ITEM #13 Generation Report**

No report.

### **ITEM #14 Fisheries Studies on the Lower Stanislaus River**

No report.

### **ITEM #15 Directors Comments**

Director Holmes, thanked everyone for the last twelve years.  
Directors Weststeyn, Orvis and Doornenbal, we still have lots to be thankful for.  
Director Santos, Bob you have been a tremendous asset to SSJID.  
Director Tobias, it's been a challenging year and thanked Jeff, Sharon and staff.

*President Orvis recessed to the Tri-Dam Power Authority Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:18 a.m.*

*The Tri-Dam Project meeting resumed at 11:19 a.m. after the Tri-Dam Power Authority meeting adjourned.*

President Orvis announced before closed session that the following items would be discussed.  
The Board took a brief recess at 11:22 a.m. and convened to Closed Session at 11:30 a.m.

## ITEM #16 Closed Session

18. a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)
  1. *SJTA v. State Water Resources Control Board*  
Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding 5013
- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Possible Initiation of Litigation  
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(4)  
Four (4) cases
- c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Significant Exposure to Litigation  
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2)  
Two (2) cases
- d. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT  
Government Code sec. 54957(b)
  1. General Manager
  2. Finance & Administrative Manager
  3. Finance Clerk

At the hour of 12:44 p.m., the Board reconvened to open session.

Disclosure of reportable actions taken in Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.1: There were no reportable actions taken in closed session.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

President Orvis adjourned the meeting at 12:44 p.m.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2022, at the offices of South San Joaquin Irrigation District beginning at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Jeff Shields, Interim Secretary  
Tri-Dam Project