

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

January 21, 2016  
Oakdale, California

The Joint Board of Directors of the Oakdale Irrigation District and the South San Joaquin Irrigation District met in joint session at the office of the Oakdale Irrigation District located 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.

The regular meeting was called to order at 9:02 A.M. by President Webb.

**OID DIRECTORS**

**SSJID DIRECTORS**

***DIRECTORS PRESENT:***

HERMAN DOORNENBAL  
LINDA SANTOS  
GAIL ALTIERI  
GARY OSMUNDSON  
STEVE WEBB

BOB HOLMES  
DAVE KAMPER  
JOHN HOLBROOK

***DIRECTORS ABSENT:***

RALPH ROOS, DALE KUIL

***ALSO PRESENT:***

Ron Berry, General Manager and Secretary, Tri-Dam Project; Rick Dodge, Finance Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Susan Larson, License Compliance Coordinator, Tri-Dam Project; Genna Modrell, Finance Assistant, Tri-Dam Project; Tim Townsend, Operations Supervisor, Tri-Dam Project; Steve Knell, General Manager, OID (*arrived 9:08am*); Peter Rietkerk, General Manager, SSJID; Steve Emrick, General Counsel, SSJID (*arrived 9:34am*); Bere Lindley, Assistant General Manager, SSJID, Tim O'Laughlin, Counsel, OID; Troy Hammerbeck, Interim Maintenance Supervisor, Tri-Dam; Ken Robbins, Water Counsel

***PUBLIC COMMENT***

No public comment.

***ITEM #1 REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING***

President Webb presented the December 17, 2015 minutes of the Regular Board meeting. Director Holmes noted page 4 should indicate President Holmes instead of Webb. Director Holmes moved to approve the December 17, 2015 minutes of the Regular Board meeting with the noted correction. The motion was seconded by Director Doornenbal. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

## ***ITEM #2 FINANCIAL MATTERS***

### **a) Review and Approve the Financial Statements**

Finance Manager Dodge reviewed the December financial statements, noting a net loss of \$509,000 for the month, primarily due to lower than normal generation revenue as a result of annual maintenance at the Donnells plant.

### **b) Review Investment Portfolio and Reserve Fund Status**

Finance Manager Dodge presented the monthly activity and securities held in each of the Project's reserve funds and responded to questions.

### **c) Review and Approve the Statement of Obligations**

Finance Manager Dodge reviewed the monthly statement of obligations and responded to questions.

Director Holbrook moved to approve the financial statements and statement of obligations. Director Doornenbal seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

## ***ITEM #3 APPROVE RESOLUTION TDP 2016.01 DISTRICT DISTRIBUTION***

Finance Manager Dodge presented the Project's funds available for distribution as of December 31, 2015, totaling \$3.7 million (\$1,852,500 per District). Director Kamper moved to approve the January 2016 distribution as presented. Director Doornenbal seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

## ***ITEM #4 APPROVE ANNUAL INVESTMENT POLICY***

Finance Manager Dodge presented Tri-Dam Project's draft investment policy for 2016 with recommended changes to the policy. Director Holbrook moved to approve as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Webb. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

## ***ITEM #5 REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING UPDATING TULLOCH APPLICATION FEES***

License Compliance Coordinator Larson provided a brief review of the Board's directives regarding the permit fees for projects at Tulloch, as delineated in the agenda staff report for this item. The Board generally responded that the report was consistent with that direction. Board member Holbrook advised that he had obtained some input from Board member Kuil, who is away today at a conference. Mr. Holbrook indicated that Mr. Kuil would be supportive of increased fees at Tulloch, and has suggestions for additional fee increases beyond those noted in the staff report. Mr. Knell asked if the salary rate used in the report was a weighted rate. Larson replied affirmatively, and that is what is noted in the report as a footnote. President Webb asked if there had been public input regarding this item. Larson and Berry responded that yes a number of meetings have taken place regarding permit requirements, standards, and that the Board's directive to staff that fees be evaluated for potential increases was in process. Webb suggested that these specific amounts be discussed with the working group, and that the item be brought back in February.

Director Holbrook made a motion for staff to continue. Director Doornenbal seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

**ITEM #6 APPROVE PURCHASE AUTHORIZATIONS**

- a. TDP 2016.1.01            ½ Ton 4 x 4 Truck

GM Berry presented authorization 2016.1.01 and answered Director questions. Director Webb moved to approve the purchase of the truck from American Chevrolet after confirmation of an extra set of keys. Otherwise purchase from Steve's Chevrolet as presented. Director Holbrook seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

- b. TDP 2016.1.02            Exciter Testing

GM Berry presented authorization 2016.1.02 and answered Director questions. Director Santos moved to approve the purchase from Electric Power Systems as presented. Director Kamper seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

- c. TDP 2016.1.03            Donnells Exciter HMI Screen Replacement

GM Berry presented authorization 2016.1.03 and answered Director questions. Director Webb moved to approve the purchase from GE Energy Control Solutions as presented. Director Holbrook seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

- d. TDP 2016.1.04            Telemetry System Replacement

GM Berry presented authorization 2016.1.04 and answered Director questions. Director Holbrook moved to approve the purchase from Sierra Controls as presented. Director Santos seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

- e. TDP 2016.1.05            Circuit Breakers at Beardsley

GM Berry presented authorization 2016.1.05 and answered Director questions. Director Holmes moved to approve the purchase from Circuit Breaker Sales as presented. Director Santos seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

**ITEM #7 DISCUSSION OF USBR's 2016 NEW MELONES PROJECT OPERATIONS**

Ken Robbins, Water Counsel for South San Joaquin Irrigation District, presented the State and Local water issues that may arise during 2016. He recapped the Endangered Species Act issues along with pulse flow requirements in the spring and fall regulated by the CA Dept. of Fish and Wildlife and National Marine Fisheries Service. He reminded the Board that the conservation account in New Melones is full, but also advised that there is not enough water to satisfy the various state and federal demands on the watershed, barring a very wet year. He also discussed possible responses that the Districts will need to consider.

### **ITEM #8 STAFF REPORTS**

GM Berry reported that the DWR's Division of Safety of Dams determined an engineer's evaluation of the Beardsley Afterbay dam is warranted. Staff will search for a consultant and bring this item back in February for further discussion and direction.

The Director Holbrook requested the results of the transformer testing listed on the maintenance report. Staff answered additional Director questions and stated they would bring quotes back to the February or March meeting for further discussion.

### **ITEM #9 GENERATION REPORT**

No discussion

### **ITEM #10 FISHBIO**

No discussion

### **RECESS TO TRI-DAM POWER AUTHORITY**

Director Holmes moved to recess to the Tri-Dam Power Authority Board of Commissioners Meeting at 11:34 A.M. Director Santos seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

The Project meeting resumed at 11:38 A.M.

### **ITEM #11 CLOSED SESSION**

GM Berry announced before closed session that the following items would be discussed:

11. a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (2 cases)  
  
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (2 cases)
- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) - 2 cases
  1. Tri-Dam Project v. Michael, et al.
  2. Tri-Dam Project v. Yick
- c. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR  
Pursuant to Section 54957.6  
Agency Negotiator: General Manager and Finance Manager  
Employee Organization: IBEW

President Webb announced out of closed session that no action was taken.

**ITEM #12 DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Director Holbrook moved to adjourn the Tri-Dam Project regular meeting. Director Santos seconded the motion. The motion passed: OID 5-0; SSJID 3-0.

President Webb adjourned the Tri-Dam Project Board of Directors meeting at 12:22 P.M.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2016, at South San Joaquin Irrigation District in Manteca, California beginning at 9:00 A.M.

ATTEST:

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Ron Berry  
Secretary, Tri-Dam Project