

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

March 16, 2023  
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 8:00 a.m.

**OID DIRECTORS**

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***DIRECTORS PRESENT:***

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BRAD DeBOER  
TOM ORVIS  
HERMAN DOORNENBAL  
LINDA SANTOS

JOHN HOLBROOK  
MIKE WESTSTEYN  
GLENN SPYKSMA  
DAVID ROOS

**Also Present:**

Summer Nicotero, General Manager, Tri-Dam Project; 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; Mia Brown, Counsel, SSJID; Scott Lewis, Provost & Pritchard

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**ITEM #1 Approve the regular board meeting minutes of February 16, 2023.**

**ITEM #2 Approve the February statement of obligations.**

Director Santos moved to approve items one and two as presented. Director Holbrook seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Kamper

## **ACTION CALENDAR**

### **ITEM #3 Review and possible action to approve the FERC annual land use fees.**

Summer Nicotero presented the invoices and explained the fees were for conducting business on government owned land.

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

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Kamper

### **ITEM #4 Review and possible action to authorize the General Manager to proceed with the rock slide removal repair and authorize the General Manager to apply for FEMA and CalOES reimbursement under the recent emergency declaration, FEMA-4683-DR-CA.**

Summer Nicotero presented the resolution advising the bidding for this project will be handled by Provost and Pritchard and that FEMA provides 75% reimbursement including administrative fees while CalOES will reimburse 75% of the remaining FEMA balance.

Director Santos moved to authorize the General Manager to proceed as presented. Director Weststeyn seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Kamper

### **ITEM #5 Review and possible action to adopt resolution for the designation of applicant's agent resolution non-state agencies.**

Summer Nicotero presented the resolution necessary to apply for FEMA aid and advised it would remain on file for three years.

Director Santos moved to adopt the resolution as presented. Director Weststeyn seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Weststeyn

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Kamper

### **ITEM #6 Discussion and possible action to authorize the General Manager to hire a Natural Resources Intern at the Tulloch Reservoir, reporting to the License and Compliance Coordinator.**

Summer provided a brief history of this position and advised the Board of the added benefit of this person's presence on the reservoir.

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

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Orvis, Santos, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Weststeyn  
NOES: DeBoer, Doornenbal  
ABSTAINING: None  
ABSENT: Kamper

**ITEM #7 Review and possible action to approve the crane rental to remove and replace the Beardsley spillway lower bridge.**

Chris Tuggle presented quotes from Bigge Crane and American Crane rentals to remove the bridge below Beardsley advising it will need to be done before we spill at 5000 cfs.

Director Holbrook moved to approve Bigge Crane for \$49,620 as presented. Director Santos seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias, Holbrook, Roos, Spyksma, Weststeyn  
NOES: None  
ABSTAINING: None  
ABSENT: Kamper

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**ITEM #9 Staff Reports:**

- A. General Manager, Summer Nicotero
  - Summer Nicotero provided a brief summary of her report.
- B. Operations and Maintenance Manager, Chris Tuggle
  - Chris Tuggle provided a brief summary of his report.
- C. License Compliance Coordinator, Susan Larson
  - Susan Larson provided a brief summary of her report

**ITEM #10 Generation Report**

No report.

**ITEM #11 Fisheries Studies on the Lower Stanislaus River**

No report.

**ITEM #12 Directors Comments**

The Directors expressed their appreciation to all staff for their efforts and hard work during the recent storm events and difficult conditions.

Directors Santos and Roos reported on their attendance at Farm Bureau, TuCARE dinners.

**ITEM #8 Tulloch Spillway Study Session Report**

Susan Larson and Scott Lewis, Provost & Pritchard, provided a status update on the Tulloch Spillway, the primary cause, proposals to repair and responded to Director questions.

*President Orvis recessed to the Tri-Dam Power Authority Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:43 a.m.*

*The Tri-Dam Project meeting resumed at 9:55 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 9:56 a.m. and convened to Closed Session at 10:12 a.m.

**ITEM #13 Closed Session**

- 13. a. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT  
Government Code sec. 54957(b)  
1. Finance Manager
  
- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Possible Initiation of Litigation  
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(4)  
One (1) case
  
- c. REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS  
Government Code § 54956.8  
Property: 043-110-026 and 043-110-032  
Agency Negotiator: General Manager  
Negotiating Parties: Unknown  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms
  
- d. REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS  
Government Code § 54956.8  
Property: 061-057-001  
Agency Negotiator: General Manager  
Negotiating Parties: REA Properties, LLC  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

At the hour of 11:00 a.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 11:01 p.m.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2023, at the offices of South San Joaquin Irrigation District beginning at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Summer Nicotero, Secretary  
Tri-Dam Project