

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

April 18, 2024  
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 in 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 Weststeyn called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**OID DIRECTORS**

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***DIRECTORS PRESENT:***

ED TOBIAS  
TOM ORVIS  
HERMAN DOORNENBAL  
LINDA SANTOS  
BRAD DEBOER

DAVID ROOS  
DAVE KAMPER  
GLENN SPYKSMA  
MIKE WESTSTEYN  
JOHN HOLBROOK

**Also Present:**

Summer Nicotero, General Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Genna Modrell, Executive Asst., Tri-Dam Project; Tracey McKnight, Compliance Coordinator, Tri-Dam Project; Scot Moody, General Manager, OID; Peter Rietkerk, General Manager, SSJID; Mia Brown, Counsel, SSJID; Tim O'Laughlin, Counsel; Tim Wasiewski, Paris Kincaid Wasiewski, Counsel; Matt Weber, Downey Brand, Counsel

*Summer Nicotero introduced, Tracey McKnight, the new Compliance Coordinator and provided brief background.*

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- ITEM #1    Approve the regular board meeting minutes of March 21, 2024.**
- ITEM #2    Approve the March statement of obligations.**
- ITEM #3    Approve 2024 Annual Dam Fees.**

Director Orvis moved to approve items one, two, and three as presented. Director Holbrook seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

## **ACTION CALENDAR**

### **ITEM #4 Consider approval of PG&E Islanding Agreement. *To be hand carried.***

Summer advised she had received the draft agreement yesterday evening and had identified some items that still needed work. She requested the Board authorize the advisory committee approve execution of the final agreement.

Director Orvis moved to authorize the advisory committee to execute the new PG&E islanding agreement. Director Kamper seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

### **ITEM #5 Consider approval of Silicon Valley Power Islanding Agreement. *To be hand carried.***

Summer advised she has the SVP draft agreement ready for signature and is waiting on the PG&E agreement. She requested the Board authorize the advisory committee approve execution of the final agreement.

Director Kamper moved to authorize the advisory committee to execute the new SVP islanding agreement. Director Doornenbal seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

### **ITEM #6 Consider approval of modifications to the Tulloch skimmer gate drive assembly.**

Summer Nicotero provided an explanation for the modification of the skimmer gate drive assembly and responded to Director questions. After a comprehensive discussion the Board decided to table this item and instructed staff to perform further testing.

### **ITEM #7 Consider approval of the purchase of a brush holder and dust collector assembly for Donnells Powerhouse, and authorize a capital budget adjustment in the amount of \$5,000 for the same.**

Summer Nicotero provided an explanation of the functionality and the safety aspect of the brush holder and dust collector assembly and responded to Director questions.

Director Santos moved to approve the purchase of a brush holder and dust collector assembly and authorize a capital budget adjustment in the amount of \$5,000. Director Roos seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: Doornenbal

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

## **ITEM #8 Consider approval of Sonora Office Design.**

Summer Nicotero provided an update regarding the design of the wall separating out approximately 1700 square feet of space, two companies are working on designing the furniture layout and the architect is revising the floor plan.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **ITEM #9 Staff Reports:**

- A. General Manager, Summer Nicotero
  - Summer provided an update on the stolen/recovered boom truck and attempted boat motor theft.
- B. Operations Report, Brett Gordon
  - No discussion.
- C. Maintenance Report, Daniel Hogue
  - No discussion.
- D. Compliance Report, Justin Calbert
  - No discussion.

### **ITEM #10 Generation Report**

No discussion.

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

No discussion.

### **ITEM #12 Directors Comments**

Director Santos was happy with the last storm.  
Director Spyksma wanted to remind staff to work safely especially with the weather changing.  
Director Orvis concurred with Director Spyksma's comment and welcomed Tracey McKnight.  
Director DeBoer is thankful that this Board may have differences of opinion, but we aren't trying shut each other down.  
Director Weststeyn reiterated Director DeBoer's comment, welcomed Tracey McKnight, appreciates the hard work from staff, and hopes for a nice even runoff.

*President Weststeyn recessed to the Tri-Dam Power Authority Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:00 a.m.*

*The Tri-Dam Project meeting resumed at 10:02 a.m. after the Tri-Dam Power Authority meeting adjourned.*

President Weststeyn announced before closed session that the following items would be discussed. The Board took a brief recess at 10:02 a.m. and convened to Closed Session at 10:21 a.m.

### **ITEM #13 Closed Session**

- 13. a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)
  - 1. *Lee Tyler et al. v. Oakdale Irrigation; et al.*  
Calaveras Superior Court Case No. 17CV42319
  - 2. *Vera Whittenburg v. Tri-Dam Project, Oakdale Irrigation District, South*

*San Joaquin Irrigation District*  
County of San Joaquin Superior Court  
Case No. STK-CV-UWT-2023-0013574

3. *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)  
Two (2) cases
- c. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR  
Government Code §54656.8  
Property: Canyon Tunnel  
Agency Negotiator: SSJID General Manager  
Negotiating Parties: Mangante, Rancheria Del Rio Estanislus, LLC  
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment of Sale
- d. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR  
Pursuant to Section § 54957.6  
Agency Negotiator: General Manager  
Employee Organization: IBEW 1245

At the hour of 11:43 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 Weststeyn adjourned the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2024, at the offices of Oakdale Irrigation District beginning at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Summer Nicotero, Secretary  
Tri-Dam Project