

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

May 20, 2021
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 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.

President Orvis called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

OID DIRECTORS

SSJID DIRECTORS

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

TOM ORVIS
ED TOBIAS
LINDA SANTOS
BRAD DeBOER
HERMAN DOORNENBAL

BOB HOLMES
DAVE KAMPER
JOHN HOLBROOK
MIKE WESTSTEYN
RALPH ROOS

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Also, Present:

Jarom Zimmerman, General Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Brian Jaruszewski, Finance and Administrative Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Genna Modrell, Admin. and Finance Assistant, Tri-Dam Project; Susan Larson, Compliance Coordinator, Tri-Dam Project; Steve Knell, General Manager, OID; Peter Rietkerk, General Manager, SSJID; Mia Brown, General Counsel, SSJID; Tim O'Laughlin, Counsel; Allen Tyler, Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.; Scott Lewis, Condor Earth Technologies; Forrest Killingsworth, SSJID Engineering Dept. Manager

President Orvis stated that Item 12 would be taken out of order after the consent calendar.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

ITEM #1 Approve the regular board meeting minutes of April 15, 2021.

ITEM #2 Approve the April financial statements and statement of obligations.

Director DeBoer moved to approve the consent calendar as presented. Director Weststeyn seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)
NOES: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

DISCUSSION

ITEM #12 Canyon Tunnel Progress Update Presentation and Discussion

Forrest Killingsworth and Scott Lewis, from Condor Earth Technologies, presented the 60% design completion on the tunnel and provided three current goals 1) refine and finalize tunnel alignment, 2) identify the tie in, and 3) update 30% design cost estimate.

Scott Lewis presented the tie in options which included the pros, cons and cost estimates and responded to Director questions.

ACTION CALENDAR

ITEM #3 Discussion and possible action for 2021-2022 Insurance Renewal.

Allen Tyler of Arthur J. Gallagher & Company discussed the insurance renewal proposal, detailing the Project's (and Authority's) coverages and related premiums.

Brian Jaruszewski added ACWA/JPIA declined to provide a complete quote, but stated that there is potential to on board January 2022.

Director Holbrook commented that while attending the ACWA conference insurance rates have increased 38% across California due to wildfires.

Director Holmes moved to approve the insurance renewal as presented. Director DeBoer seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)
NOES: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

ITEM #4 Discuss and approve the USFS Beardsley/Donnells Recreation Site Cost Sharing annual dam fees for 2021.

Brian Jaruszewski presented the recreation site invoice from USFS, noted we did not incur any charges in 2020 due to COVID and responded to Director questions.

Director Kamper 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 (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

ITEM #5 Discussion and possible action to approve 2021 Headwater Benefit Assessment – Tulloch.

Jarom Zimmerman presented the headwater benefit invoice and responded to Director questions.

Director DeBoer moved to approve the item as presented. Director Holbrook seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM #6 Discussion and possible action to approve HDR Engineering to conduct an Inflow Design Flood Analysis.

Jarom Zimmerman explained the Probable Maximum Flow is an extremely conservative estimate, which is very unlikely to ever occur. By performing the IDF, we are hoping to avoid costly modifications to the dam and/or spillway for an event that will most likely never occur, and instead, analyze whether a dam failure would threaten additional life and property that would not already be inundated during a large spillway release.

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

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Tobias, Santos (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM #7 Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of wiring and materials for the installation of the Emergency Generator at Tulloch Powerhouse.

Jarom Zimmerman explained in December 2019, a replacement Emergency Generator for Tulloch Powerhouse was purchased. This replacement generator was budgeted for in fiscal year 2019, but was not installed at that time. This request for the wiring and materials will complete the installation of the generator.

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, Tobias, Santos (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None
ABSTAINING: None
ABSENT: None

ITEM #8 Discussion and possible action regarding TDP Resolution 2021-03 Surplus Property.

Jarom Zimmerman presented items to be declared surplus and responded to Director questions.

Director Doornenbal moved to approve the items as presented. Director Kamper seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM #9 Discussion and possible action to approve the replacement of the Tulloch Unit 1 & 2 station service battery bank.

Jarom Zimmerman presented the request and reminded the Board this item had been budgeted for 2020, but postponed due to low water.

Director Santos moved to approve the item as presented. Director Weststeyn seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM #10 Discussion and possible action related to designating the date of one Tri-Dam Project regular meeting in Strawberry.

After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to move the July 15, 2021 regular meeting location to the Tri-Dam office in Strawberry, CA.

Director DeBoer moved to approve July 15, 2021 in Strawberry. Director Holbrook seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM #11 Discussion and possible action to approve the 2021 represented employee wage increase.

Jarom Zimmerman presented the IBEW represented employee wage schedule and increase effective for the full pay period that includes June 1, 2021.

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

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: DeBoer, Doornenbal, Orvis, Santos, Tobias (OID); Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Roos, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

ITEM #13 Staff Reports

In addition to the other written staff reports, Jarom Zimmerman added that the Donnells generating unit had fallen out of compliance with CAISO's performance criteria, but the issue was that CAISO was not receiving MW output updates from the unit as often as they should, which was making it appear that the unit was not responding to Automatic Generation Control setpoint changes. It was resolved with a programming change to the refreshing set point, and the unit will be recertified in the coming weeks.

Susan Larson stated that only 2 bids were received for the Tulloch Day Use Project; with only one responsive bid, which was well over budget. We plan to re-issue the RFP later this year after we have confirmed that CCWD will reimburse Tri-Dam for cost of the water line installation, and also that the existing sewer line to the property is serviceable.

ITEM #14 Generation Report

No discussion.

ITEM #15 Fisheries Studies on the Lower Stanislaus River

No discussion.

ITEM #16 Directors Comments

Director Orvis thanked FishBio for the tours and information provided to the Ag Alert.

Recess to Tri-Dam Power Authority

President Orvis recessed to the Tri-Dam Power Authority Board of Commissioners meeting at 11:27 a.m.

The Tri-Dam Project meeting resumed at 11:30 a.m. after the Tri-Dam Power Authority meeting adjourned.

President Orvis announced before closed session that the following items would be discussed:

ITEM #17 Closed Session

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Potential Initiation of Litigation
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(4)
Four (4) cases

- b. 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

 - 2. *Tyler v. OID, SSJID, Tri-Dam Project*
Calaveras County Superior Court
Case No. 17CV42319

At the hour of 12:47 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 12:48 p.m.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2021, at the offices of South San Joaquin Irrigation District, Manteca, California beginning at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

Jarom Zimmerman
Secretary, Tri-Dam Project