

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

April 16, 2015  
Manteca, 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 South San Joaquin Irrigation District located 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.

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

**OID DIRECTORS**

FRANK CLARK  
HERMAN DOORNENBAL  
STEVE WEBB

**SSJID DIRECTORS**

BOB HOLMES  
DAVE KAMPER  
DALE KUIL

***DIRECTORS PRESENT:***

***DIRECTORS ABSENT:***  
AL BARIOS, JR; JOHN HOLBROOK; RALPH ROOS

***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; Bere Lindley, Finance Manager, SSJID; Tim O’Laughlin, Counsel, OID.

***PUBLIC COMMENT***

None.

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

President Holmes presented the March 16, 2015 minutes of the Regular Board meeting. Director Webb moved to approve the March 16, 2015 minutes of the Regular Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Kuil. The motion passed 6-0.

***ITEM #2 APPROVE 2014 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – RICHARDSON & CO.***

Brian Nash from Richardson & Co. presented Tri-Dam Project’s 2014 audited financial statements, noting that his firm has issued an unqualified (clean) opinion. Mr. Nash reviewed the scope of the engagement, and discussed Tri-Dam’s significant accounting policies and estimates. Mr. Nash also gave an overview of GASB 68 and the required 2015 disclosure of Tri-Dam’s pension liability. Mr. Nash advised that there were no difficulties or major issues encountered during the audit and that the Project’s accounting records are very

clean.

Director Webb moved to accept Tri-Dam's 2014 audited financial statements. Director Kuil seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

### ***ITEM #3 FINANCIAL MATTERS***

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

Finance Manager Dodge reviewed the March financial statements, noting a monthly profit of \$334,000.

**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 statement of obligations and responded to questions.

Mr. Dodge also reviewed a list of 2015 budgeted capital projects that staff believes can either be deferred into 2016, or funded from the maintenance fund. The Board requested staff to bring a resolution to the May meeting for further discussion and a possible vote.

Director Webb moved to approve the financial statements and statement of obligations. Director Kamper seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

### ***ITEM #4 APPROVE RESOLUTION TDP 2015-02 COMMENDATION TO JACK ALPERS***

GM Berry presented the proposed resolution to recognize retired Director Jack Alpers for his 13 years of service to Tri-Dam. It was also noted the Jack worked on Donnell's Dam and was the last Director that helped build Tri-Dam. Director Kamper made a motion to approve Resolution TDP 2015-02. Director Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

### ***ITEM #5 APPROVE PURCHASE AUTHORIZATIONS***

- a. 2015.04.01      2015 1/2 Ton Extended Cab Pick Up
- b. 2015.04.02      Beardsley Recreation Collection Agreement

GM Berry presented the purchase authorizations and answered director questions. Director Webb moved to approve the purchase authorization for Steve's Chevrolet and the USFS as presented. Director Kamper seconded the motion. The passed 6-0.

### ***ITEM #7 DISCUSSION OF NECESSITY AND VALUE IN SAVE THE STAN WEBSITE / MEDIA CAMPAIGN***

Director Webb motioned to move Item No. 7, Discussion of Necessity and Value in Save the Stan Website / Media Campaign, to the action calendar. The motion was seconded by Director Kuil. The motion passed 6-0.

David Lyghtle, MHD Group, and Stevan Allen, AllenStrategic, presented a proposed 2015 Strategic Communications Program, including a proposed contract amount. Messrs. Lyghtle and Allen discussed the benefits of a strong outreach effort to ensure the Districts' message to the public, various regulatory agencies, and legislative bodies is factually correct, and consistent with the appropriate science-based approach to managing the Stanislaus River. The total cost of the media campaign is proposed not to exceed \$205,000. The Directors engaged in a lengthy discussion of the benefits of such a program, and agreed that public education is a primary concern. Director Webb motioned to move forward with the Save the Stan media campaign. Director Kuil seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

#### ***ITEM #6 RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT***

GM Berry stated that staff continues to update the website regarding current water conditions pertaining to Tulloch.

#### ***ITEM #8 MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT SCADA PROPOSAL***

GM Berry advised the Board of a proposal from Merced Irrigation District whereby Tri-Dam would provide SCADA services to MID. Mr. Berry advised that discussions were in the preliminary stage and that additional details will be forthcoming.

#### ***ITEM #9 STAFF REPORTS***

No discussion.

#### ***ITEM #10 GENERATION REPORT***

No discussion.

#### ***ITEM #11 FISHBIO***

No discussion.

#### ***ITEM #12 CLOSED SESSION***

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

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) - 5 cases
  1. Tri-Dam Project v. Schediwy, et al.
  2. Tri-Dam Project v. Keller
  3. Tri-Dam Project v. Michael, et al.
  4. Tri-Dam Project v. Yick
  5. Tri-Dam Project v. Holman
  
- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9  
1 case
  
- c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9  
(Multiple potential cases)

- d. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9  
1 case
- e. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR  
Pursuant to Section 54957.6  
Agency Negotiator: General Manager and Finance Manager  
Employee Organization: IBEW

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

***ITEM #13 DIRECTOR COMMENTS***

None

***ADJOURNMENT***

Director Kuil moved to adjourn the Tri-Dam Project regular meeting. Director Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

President Holmes adjourned the Tri-Dam Project Board of Directors meeting at 12:49 P.M.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2015, at the 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