

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

March 18, 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

***DIRECTORS ABSENT:***

RALPH ROOS

***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; Forrest Killingsworth, Engineering Department Manager, SSJID; Mia Brown, General Counsel, SSJID; Tim Wasiewski, Counsel; Tim O'Laughlin, Counsel

***PUBLIC COMMENT***

None.

***CONSENT CALENDAR***

**ITEM #1 Approve the regular board meeting minutes of February 18, 2021.**

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

Director Tobias moved to approve the minutes with the noted correction. Director Weststeyn seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Roos

## **ACTION CALENDAR**

### ***ITEM #3 Discussion and possible action to approve the December 2020 financial statements.***

Brian Jaruszewski presented the unaudited December 2020 financial statements 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, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Roos

### ***ITEM #4 Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of the Computerized Maintenance Management Software (CMMS) Mainsaver.***

Jarom Zimmerman presented the need for, and the benefits of, this software specifically designed for powerhouses: to plan maintenance, document completed maintenance, track compliance requirements, and monitor equipment condition. He also responded to Director questions.

Director Kamper moved to approve purchasing Mainsaver software. Director Santos seconded the motion.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Roos

### ***ITEM #5 Discussion and possible action to approve hiring a temporary summer position for Tulloch compliance.***

Jarom Zimmerman explained we continue to receive reports of contractors and homeowners performing unpermitted work on the reservoir. This employee would tour the reservoir each day during the summer months to prevent unpermitted work by contractors and landowners. If they discover any unpermitted work, they will not address the landowner or contractor, but will immediately notify the GM and Compliance Coordinator of the work. Additional responsibilities for this employee will include monitoring buoys, mapping aquatic invasive species, monitoring the 15 shoreline erosion sites, and performing an audit of all facilities below the 515' elevation to develop a detailed list of all unpermitted facilities. At the end of summer, we will analyze whether or not the presence on the reservoir was beneficial in preventing unpermitted work.

Director Holmes moved to approve the item 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, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Roos

***ITEM #6 Discussion and possible action to approve Gannett Fleming to perform the Vulnerability and Security Assessment updates.***

Jarom Zimmerman stated our assessments were due last year, but with consultants working with limited staffing due to COVID-19, we did not receive any bids to our Request for Proposal (RFP) sent out last year. We modified the RFP and resolicited it earlier this month. We received two bids, which were over the budgeted amount, so we worked with the lowest bidder to reduce the scope of work and cost of their bid. Many of the site visit requirements were removed, along with the Site Security Plan, which will be performed by Tri-Dam staff.

Director DeBoer 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, Weststeyn (SSJID)

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Roos

***ITEM #7 Review and Discuss Interagency Agreement Between the Oakdale Irrigation District and the South San Joaquin Irrigation District for the Joint Supply Canal Bypass Tunnel ("Canyon Tunnel") Project.***

Peter Rietkerk stated SSJID uses 72% of the canal and would assume the same formula would be used for this project. Forrest Killingsworth updated the Board that 60% of all field investigations is complete, talks continue with two affected landowners, and responded to Directors questions.

***ITEM #8 Staff Reports***

In addition to the other written staff reports, Susan Larson added Tulloch Recreation site bids will be going out March 19, 2021, and the pre-bid site meeting will be March 26, 2021.

***ITEM #9 Generation Report***

No discussion.

***ITEM #10 Fisheries Studies on the Lower Stanislaus River***

No discussion.

### **ITEM #11 Directors Comments**

Director Tobias suggested the SSJID staff could provide the seasonal employee assistance in identifying aquatic invasive species.

### **Recess to Tri-Dam Power Authority**

President Orvis recessed to the Tri-Dam Power Authority Board of Commissioners meeting at 10:21 a.m.

The Tri-Dam Project meeting resumed at 10:32 a.m. after the Tri-Dam Power Authority meeting adjourned.

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

### **ITEM #12 Closed Session**

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Potential Initiation of Litigation  
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(4)  
Three (3) cases
  
- b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)

Lee Tyler et al. v Oakdale Irrigation; et al  
Calaveras Superior Court Case No. 17CV42319

California Natural Resources Agency, et al v. Ross, et al.  
Eastern District of California Case No. 1:20-cv-426-DAD-EPG

Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermens' Associations, et al. v. Ross, et al.  
Eastern District of California, Case No. 1:20-cv-431-DAD-EPG

SJTA v. State Water Resources Control Board  
Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding 5013

At the hour of 12:27 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 12:28 p.m.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2021, at the offices of South San Joaquin Irrigation District, Manteca, California beginning at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST:

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Jarom Zimmerman  
Secretary, Tri-Dam Project