

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

September 18, 2014
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 special meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman Roos.

OID DIRECTORS

FRANK CLARK
HERMAN DOORNENBAL
STEVE WEBB

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

SSJID DIRECTORS

BOB HOLMES
JOHN HOLBROOK
RALPH ROOS
DALE KUIL
DAVE KAMPER

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

JACK ALPERS; AL BAIROS, JR.

ALSO PRESENT:

Ron Berry, General Manager and Secretary, Tri-Dam Project; Jeff Shields, General Manager, SSJID; Bere Lindley, CFO, SSJID; Eric Thorburn, Water Operations Manager, OID; Rick Dodge, Finance Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Genna Modrell, Finance Asst., Tri-Dam Project; Tim Townsend, Operations Supervisor, Tri-Dam Project; Steve Emrick, Counsel, SSJID; Susan Larson, License Compliance Coordinator, Tri-Dam Project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ITEM #1 REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Roos presented the August 21, 2014 minutes of the Regular Board meeting. Director Webb moved to approve the August 21, 2014 minutes of the Regular Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Kuil. The motion passed 8-0.

ITEM #2 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Review and Approve the Financial Statements

Finance Manager Dodge reviewed the August financial statements. Mr. Dodge reported that cash and investments increase approximately \$931,000 during August. Mr. Dodge also discussed various revenue and expense accounts and noted that the Project recorded a profit of \$866,000 for the month.

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.

Director Clark moved to approve the financial statements and statement of obligations. Director Holbrook seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

ITEM #3 APPROVE RESOLUTION TDP 2014-09 STRAWBERRY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AGREEMENT

Director Webb moved to approve a 10-year lease agreement with the Strawberry Fire Protection District, including Mr. Dodge's recommendations. Director Holmes seconded the motion. In a roll call vote, the motion passed 8-0.

ITEM #4 APPROVE INTERCOMPANY EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT POLICY

Mr. Dodge explained the purpose of this policy is to formalize the long-standing agreement between Tri-Dam Project and Tri-Dam Power Authority whereby Project routinely provides labor and equipment to Authority. In addition, this policy shall establish the authority for Project to provide other services and advance funds from time to time as determined to be necessary by Project and Authority management.

Director Holbrook moved to approve the policy. Director Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

ITEM #5 APPROVE RESOLUTION TDP 2014-07 AUTHORIZING STAFF TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO DEPT. OF BOATING AND WATERWAYS – QUAGGA / ZEBRA MUSSEL PROGRAM

Compliance Coordinator Larson provided a summary of Tri-Dam's Quagga/Zebra Mussel Program, self-certification and education program along with the program of the Central Valley Consortium where local reservoirs have implemented the same program for inspections and certification designed to prohibit the introduction of invasive species, including Quagga/Zebra Mussels. As part of a new state law, the state has implemented a new program wherein all vessel owners pay an addition \$1.00 per vessel collected by the DMV. The DMV collects the money for a new program administered by the Department of Boating & Waterways to establish a grant program for projects designed to ensure the introduction of invasive species. Ms. Larson explained the DBW's program, with the first grant application deadline of October 20, 2014. FERC has required that Tri-Dam investigate the necessity of installing a boat washing station at South Shore Public Marina, and Ms. Larson has asked the Board to adopt a resolution in support of filing the grant application.

Director Webb moved to approve the resolution. Director Kuil seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-1. Director Kamper voted no.

ITEM #6 APPROVE LAIF REAUTHORIZATION TDP 2014-08

Mr. Dodge presented the Resolution TDP 2014-08 updating the authorized positions / persons to deposit or withdraw monies, and execute and deliver any and all documents necessary with the Local Agency Investment Fund.

Director Kamper moved to approve the resolution. Director Webb seconded it. In a roll call vote, the motion passed 8-0.

ITEM #7 DISCUSSION OF WATE RIGHTS FILINGS

GM Jeff Shields updated the Board on progress to investigate who has water rights (pre-1914 or riparian) on the Stanislaus River. Bill Paris with O’Laughlin & Paris is working on this matter.

ITEM #8 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO PURSUE CLOUD SEEDING PROGRAM

Mr. Berry and Mr. Dodge discussed a possible Cloud Seeding program for the middle fork of the Stanislaus River watershed. The Directors were provided a handout from the Weather Modification Association. Directors were provided with the process and action that staff would need to take in order to begin a cloud seeding program. The Board directed staff to continue to research the possibility of implementing such a program and report back at the October Board meeting.

ITEM #9 PROJECT STAFF REPORTS

GM Berry reported to the Board that on September 26th, from 9am to 1pm, TuCare will be hosting their annual Natural Resource Summit meeting at the Sonora Fairgrounds. This year’s topic is on “Water or Not”. Tri-Dam will have an informational table set up for the event. The Advisory Committee meeting scheduled for October 6th will be cancelled due to Directors being unavailable. Mr. Berry discussed the installation of the Beardsley skimmer gate.

Operation Supervisor Townsend reported on water status and generator outages during the month of August. Mr. Townsend also discussed water operations for the upcoming month of October.

Ms. Larson provided a brief report regarding her attendance and participation at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Shoreline Management Plan Conference in Pennsylvania.

ITEM #10 GENERATION AND POWER MARKETING REPORT

No discussion.

ITEM #11 FISHBIO

No discussion.

RECESS TO TRI-DAM POWER AUTHORITY

Director Webb moved to recess to the Tri-Dam Power Authority Board of Commissioners Meeting at 10:35 A.M. Director Holbrook seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

The Project meeting resumed at 10:42 A.M.

ITEM #12 CLOSED SESSION

- a. Conference with legal counsel – Existing Litigation
Pursuant to subdivision (c) 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 Real Property Negotiators, Pursuant to Section 54956.8
Property: APN's 064-029-062 and 064-029-063
Agency Negotiators: Ron Berry
Negotiating Parties: Tri-Dam Project and Merle Holman
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of payment

- c. Conference with Labor Negotiator
Pursuant to Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Employee Organization: IBEW and Management Group

Chairman Roos reported that the Board approved the purchase of the property located at 7430 O'Byrnes Ferry Rd. for the purchase price of \$750,000. The Board also authorized the District presidents and the Tri-Dam general manager to sign the purchase agreement that was presented, a certificate of acceptance and any other documents as may be necessary to complete the purchase.

ITEM #13 DIRECTOR COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Roos adjourned the Tri-Dam Project Board of Directors Meeting at 11:10 A.M.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2014, at the Oakdale Irrigation District in Oakdale, California beginning at 9:00 A.M.

ATTEST:

Ron Berry
Secretary, Tri-Dam Project