

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

December 18, 2014
Oakdale, 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 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.

The regular meeting was called to order at 9:02 A.M. by Chairman Webb.

OID DIRECTORS

FRANK CLARK
HERMAN DOORNENBAL
STEVE WEBB

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

SSJID DIRECTORS

BOB HOLMES
DAVE KAMPER (*arrived 9:07am*)
RALPH ROOS
DALE KUIL
JOHN HOLBROOK

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

JACK ALPERS; AL BAIROS, JR.

ALSO PRESENT:

Ron Berry, General Manager and Secretary, Tri-Dam Project; Rick Dodge, Finance Manager, Tri-Dam Project; Genna Modrell, Finance Asst., Tri-Dam Project; Susan Larson, License Compliance Coordinator, Tri-Dam Project; Tom Ruhl, Maintenance Supervisor, Tri-Dam Project; Bere Lindley, Finance Manager, SSJID.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ITEM #1 REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Webb presented the November 20, 2014 minutes of the Regular Board meeting. He noted that the public comment was included on a handout and would be incorporated into the minutes. Director Roos suggested page 4, Item #7 should reference Beardsley flows.

Director Roos moved to approve the November 20, 2014 minutes of the Regular Board meeting with the noted corrections. The motion was seconded by Director Clark. The motion passed 8-0.

ITEM #2 FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Review and Approve the Financial Statements

Finance Manager Dodge reviewed the November financial statements, noting a monthly profit of \$429,000. Mr. Dodge also advised the Board that it was recently discovered that Tri-Dam had over-withheld employee PERs contributions going as far back as March of 2009. As a result, on December 9th, the Project reimbursed all affected employees, including any affected retirees, for a total reimbursement of approximately \$30,000. Mr. Dodge also advised that December labor and overhead will likely be higher than typical due to three pay periods, yearend compensated absence accruals, and the PERs issue referenced above.

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

ITEM #3 APPROVE 2015 BUDGET

Mr. Dodge presented the final 2015 budget, and reviewed various revenue and expense accounts and the related underlying assumptions used. After a lengthy discussion, Director Holbrook moved to approve the 2015 budget with a \$4,000 upward adjustment to Goodwin legal matters. Director Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

ITEM #4 APPROVE PERFORMANCE RECOGNITION – NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES

General Manager Berry presented a handout evaluating 2014 overall performance for administrative and management staff. A recognition award of \$500 was recommended for a superior performance in 2014. This recommendation includes seven employees. Director Holbrook moved to approve the \$500 award to all administrative and management employees. Director Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

ITEM #5 DISCUSSION OF CLOUD SEEDING PROGRAM

GM Berry discussed tabling the cloud seeding program for this winter to allow staff to better prepare for the next season. Director Webb suggested staff move forward with the program for next year. GM Berry also advised of a ground-based cloud seeding study recently completed in the mountains of Wyoming. The final report from that study is expected to be released soon. Staff will continue to research and work to develop a plan and schedule to possibly implement a program for 2015/16 winter.

ITEM #6 STAFF REPORTS

GM Berry noted that Tri-Dam employees have surpassed 365 days without a lost time injury. GM Berry also provided an update on the precipitation totals and inflows to Donnells and Beardsley reservoirs.

Ms. Larson provided the Board with an update on the number of permits processed for the year at Tulloch. She also advised the Board that escrow had closed on the 2.7 acre site as directed by the Board. Ms. Larson also provided a brief update regarding the status of the Shoreline Management Plan update, Recreation Plan update, Erosion Monitoring provisions, Aquatic Plant Management Report and Form 80 Recreation Plan data gathering work in process.

ITEM #7 GENERATION REPORT

No discussion.

ITEM #8 FISHBIO

No discussion.

RECESS TO TRI-DAM POWER AUTHORITY

Director Holbrook moved to recess to the Tri-Dam Power Authority Board of Commissioners Meeting at 10:28 A.M. Director Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-0.

The Project meeting resumed at 10:47 A.M.

ITEM #9 CLOSED SESSION

- 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 Labor Negotiator
Pursuant to Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiator: General Manager
Employee Organization: IBEW and Management Group
- d. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 – 1 case

- e. Public Employment Performance Evaluation
Government Code Section 54957
Position: General Manager

No action taken.

ITEM #10 DIRECTOR COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Webb adjourned the Tri-Dam Project Board of Directors meeting at 11:28 A.M.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2015, at the South San Joaquin Irrigation District in Manteca, California beginning at 9:00 A.M.

ATTEST:

Ron Berry
Secretary, Tri-Dam Project