

Browns Valley Irrigation District
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**MINUTES OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

WHEN
Thursday
September 8, 2022
5:00 pm

WHERE
Teleconference via Zoom
Browns Valley, CA
95918

This meeting will be conducted by Zoom Video Conference and Audio Teleconference Only.

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OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 8, 2022**

President Bordsen called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Lowe, Sokoloski, and Woods. Director Wheeler absent. Also in attendance were Secretary /Manager Kelly McNally, Clerk Springsteen and Operations Manager Shrader.

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the August 25, 2022 Regular Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Woods seconded by Director Sokoloski to approve the Minutes of the August 25, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. Directors Woods, Lowe, Sokoloski and Bordsen aye. Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None

3. Finance Committee Report: Concerning the August 2022 Financials. A motion by Director Bordsen seconded by Director Woods to approve the August 2022 financials. Directors Woods, Lowe, Sokoloski and Bordsen aye. Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

4. The Board will consider re-authorizing Board of Directors meetings to be held via teleconference under AB 361. A motion by Director Lowe seconded by Director Sokoloski to re-authorize Board meetings to be held via teleconference. Directors Woods, Lowe, Sokoloski, and Bordsen aye. Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

5. The Board will discuss the JPIA Strain Reduction Program for Field Employees and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Bordsen seconded by Director Lowe to approve the JPIA Strain Reduction Program for Field Employees. Directors Woods, Lowe, Sokoloski and Bordsen aye. Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

6. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	14,700 AF	29.7%	1,139.8 FT	43.2 FT	71.3 CFS	0 kW
1 YEAR AGO	1,560 AF	3.2%	1,112.9 FT	70.1 FT	64.9 CFS	0 kW

YUBA RIVER STATUS (PUMPLINE CANAL)

DATE	MAX DIVERSION RATE (BVID/YWA CONTRACT)	BVID WATER RIGHT (CURRENT MONTH)	CURRENT DIVERSION*
TODAY	47.2 CFS	47.2 CFS	25 CFS

**If the current diversion exceeds BVID monthly water right, the difference is deducted from the District’s “Project Base Supply.”*

STAFF ACTIVITIES

We remain under a drought ordinance and are limiting customers from increasing their services and new customers are only eligible for one unit of water until the ordinance is lifted.

Members of the J-Rey Irrigation Committee have requested to meet with BVID staff regarding annexation, design, and costs associated with the long-term goal of getting BVID infrastructure and irrigation water. The meeting will be at the BVID office on Friday September 9.

The Administrative Services Manager has been working on logistics concerning the BVID rental. Minor interior repairs, and outdoor cleaning will be completed by the crew next week, and a cleaning service has been arranged for the interior.

The Technical Services Manager continues to research options for telephone and Wi-Fi services at the VRD Powerhouse. The District received notice at the end of August that our current provider is phasing out T1 circuits due to new PUC regulations. Staff is looking into any and all viable options.

The General Manager was contacted by Joseph (Joe) Camicia of Tillman Infrastructure regarding the possible installation of a communications tower (perhaps 150 feet tall) on the BVID Office property. The ideal scenario is a 100'x 100' fenced enclosure for the new tower and associated equipment, with the goal of minimal impacts on the District's facilities/operations.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Groundwater Substitution Transfer

Pumping for the 2022 Groundwater Substitution transfer began on April 15, 2022 and will continue through October 31, 2022. As of today, BVID has pumped 100% of the Zone 1 allocation and approximately 80% of the Zone 4 allocation for a total of 90%. The first payment has been received from YWA and will be mailed out on September 9, 2022.

Conserved Water Transfer

The Santa Clara Valley and Dudley Ridge Water Districts have been invoiced for the Conserved Water Transfer. The transfer was completed in mid-August, and the District has received the payment from SCVWD.

Sicard Flat Pipeline

The Sicard Flat Pipeline Upgrade project will be released for bid on September 9, 2022. The Invitation for Bid is to supply HDPE pipe, fittings and pipe fusing services. The notice will run in the Appeal Democrat, and the deadline to submit a bid is September 30, 2022.

PAST MEETINGS

8/25/2022	Member Unit Water Management Workshop
8/26- 8/28/2022	Leadership Yuba-Sutter Kickoff event and retreat
8/31/2022	BVID Staff and Ryan McNally - CWT 1 st payment

8/31/2022 YWA/SLDMWD Lunch
9/6/2022 YWA Board of Directors meeting.
9/8/2022 NCWA - Surface/Groundwater interaction meeting.

FUTURE MEETINGS

9/9/2022 BVID Staff and J-Rey Irrigation Committee.
9/9/2022 YWA Director – Gary Bradford.
9/12/2022 Michael DeAnda – OE3.
9/14/2022 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting.
9/15/2022 Leadership Yuba-Sutter
9/20/2022 YWA Board of Directors meeting.
9/21/2022 Yuba GSC meeting.

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

Staff continues the work on the Mountain View Terrace project and has been busy with service calls, small projects, and repairs.

Due to the extremely hot temperatures this past week, the operations crew have been getting an early start to the workday, and getting tasks done before the afternoon heat.

Virginia Ranch Dam Powerhouse remains offline. No ETA on repairs.

The Operations Manager is meeting with John Drew of Saddleback Ranch on September 9, 2022 regarding the Olive Hill Ditch services on the Saddleback Ranch.

Lower District

Pumpline is running 25cfs.

7. Director's Comments and Reports:

8. Correspondence: Flyer for Highway 20 Ribbon Cutting

9. Adjournment: 5:29PM