

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

WHEN
Thursday
May 13, 2021
5:00 pm

WHERE
Teleconference via Zoom
Browns Valley, CA
95918

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**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
MAY 13, 2021**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the April 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting and April 28, 2021 Special Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Wheeler to approve the minutes. Directors Bordsen, Woods and Wheeler ayes, Directors Lowe and Sokoloski absent. Motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None

3. The Board will discuss the 2021 Irrigation Season and take action as appropriate. No action taken.

4. The Board will consider the Conserved Water Transfer and take action as appropriate. No action taken.

5. The Board will review a letter to Director Lowe and take action as appropriate. After discussion a motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Wheeler to assess \$800.00 fine and \$2950.00 service installation charges on property located at 11425 Hill Rd. Directors Bordsen, Woods and Wheeler ayes, Directors Lowe and Sokoloski absent. Motion passed.

6. The Board will review a payment penalty invoice in dispute by a landowner. After discussion a motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Bordsen to assess \$2050.00 fine on property located at 12008 Spring Glen Ln. Directors Bordsen, Woods and Wheeler ayes, Directors Lowe and Sokoloski absent. Motion passed.

7. Manager's Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME %	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	18,660 AF 37.6%	1,145.2 FT	37.8 FT	61.5 CFS	262 kW
1 YEAR AGO	37,060 AF 74.8%	1,169.6 FT	13.4 FT	76.3 CFS	505 kW

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Workforce Update (COVID-19)

Going by Yuba County recommendations, office staff is working in office and at home if necessary. distancing measures are being followed when multiple office staff are present at the office.

As the District approaches its first month of the 2021 irrigation season, District customer conservation has extended the irrigation season forecast predictions by a week. This data prediction parallels the 2015 data that match a similar drought year with conservation measures in place.

The Administrative Services Manager and Operations Manager have been working hard to execute service shutoffs to customers with non-payment from the April 30, 2021 deadline for payment.

On April 28, 2021, the Manager met with the Yuba Water Agency to discuss the YWA Deficiency Pumping Program.

On April 28, 2021, the Manager and Technical Services Manager met with Kleinschmidt Group to discuss the Annual Security Compliance with FERC.

On May 5, 2021, the Manager attended the ACWA Region 2 Member Meeting.

On May 6, 2021, the Manager, Operations Manager and Technical Services Manager attended a meeting with Caltrans discussing a pipeline across the new bridge on Dry Creek.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

05/14/2021 – The Manager will attend the YWA updated water supply forecast based on the DWR B120 report.

05/14/2021 – The Manager will meet with Jeff Coffin with Kleinschmidt to discuss the annual security certification letter to FERC.

05/19/2021 – The Manager will attend the Yuba County Integrated Regional Management Plan group meeting.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Lower District Deficiency Pumping Program

The Manager and Technical Services Manager have been working to provide data to landowners for the YWA Deficiency Pumping Program.

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

Irrigation season has been up and running for just over a month, all customers have been receiving their purchased allotments.

Major work was completed on the Sicard Ditch, during the initial startup of the irrigation season we were losing a majority of the water entering the ditch. Several large leaks had redeveloped in known areas, and we are discovering new areas that are becoming problematic. Service has been restored to all customers.

Virginia Ranch Dam Power plant has been operational, Henwood energy was able to get the generator to stay online, a permanent repair will be needed once irrigation season is complete.

Operations Manager met with DSOD on May 3rd to conduct the 2021 inspection of Virginia Ranch Dam. No major concerns were noted, the only minor issue discussed was some vegetation that had begun growing near the spillway, this will be removed and sprayed with herbicide.

On May 6th Operations Manager attended a meeting with Caltrans and Karl Brustad of PBI to discuss the engineering and design requirements to install a waterline through the new Dry Creek Bridge. Staff continues to be busy with service calls and repairs, shut offs for delinquent accounts started on May 10th this has added to the workload of all staff.

Lower District

Pumpline Canal is running 60 cfs. We are continuing this flow until our project base supply is no longer available; BVID will then be limited to our 47.2cfs water right.

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None

9. Correspondence: None

10. Closed Session: Conference with real property negotiator involving the Collins Lake Concessionaire Agreement; Director's Lowe and Woods (Concessionaire Committee) and Joseph Maslan, District negotiator(s). Instructions to the negotiator(s) may include specific terms of the Agreement. Government Code sections 54954.2 and 54934.5. No action taken.

11. Adjournment: 6:02PM