

Browns Valley Irrigation District
Post Office Box 6, Browns Valley, CA 95918

**MINUTES OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

WHEN
Thursday
March 10, 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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MARCH 10, 2022**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the February 24, 2022 Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Woods seconded by Director Lowe to approve the February 24, 2022 minutes. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: Any member of the public may address and ask questions of the Board relating to any matter within the Board’s jurisdiction provided the matter is not on the agenda. The public also may address the Board during an agenda item. None

3. Finance Committee Report: Concerning the February 2022 Financials. A motion by Director Wheeler seconded by Director Woods to approve the February 2022 financials. All ayes, 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 Woods to re-authorize Board meetings to be held via teleconference. All ayes, motion passed.

5. The Board will discuss the 2022 Budget and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Wheeler seconded by Director Bordsen to approve the 2022 Budget. All ayes, motion passed

6. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

| DATE | REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME % | LAKE ELEVATION | DIST BELOW SPILL | RELEASES | GEN OUTPUT |
|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|
| TODAY | 32,400 AF 65.5% | 1,164.0 FT | 19.0 FT | 1.0 CFS | 0 kW |
| 1 YEAR AGO | 18,520 AF 37.4% | 1,146.1 FT | 36.9 FT | 1.0 CFS | 0 kW |

YUBA RIVER STATUS (PUMPLINE CANAL)

| DATE | MAX DIVERSION RATE (BVID/YWA CONTRACT) | BVID WATER RIGHT (CURRENT MONTH) | CURRENT DIVERSION* |
|--------------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| TODAY | 20 CFS | 20 CFS | 0 CFS |

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

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Conditions remain extremely dry, and staff continues to keep a close eye on hydrology. The forecast through next week is mostly dry with an 80% chance of rain on Tuesday. January and February 2022 have been two of the driest consecutive months in California history.

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

The Manager and the Accord Member Units are meeting with the State Water Contractors on March 14, 2022 to discuss the market conditions for the Yuba River.

GEI is currently working on the 2021 DSSMR, and staff expects a draft to be submitted for review by end of next week.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Groundwater Pumping

The reimbursement for 2021 deficiency pumping was received on February 3, 2022, and staff has prepared reimbursement payments for pumpers.

Sicard Pipeline

Staff is continuing to work with YWA on the grant portion of the project, and pipeline construction is tentatively planned for Spring of 2022.

PAST MEETINGS

- 3/1/2022 YWA Board of Directors meeting.
- 3/1/2022 BVID Staff met with Willie Wittlessey and Ryan McNally about USACE Land Ownership
- 3/4/2022 NCWA Annual Meeting – Part 1
- 3/4/2022 BVID Staff and USACE - Yuba River Diversion
- 3/8/2022 Ad Hoc Committee – Rules and Regulations
- 3/9/2022 Groundwater Data Review – YWA and Member Units

FUTURE MEETINGS

- 3/11/2022 NCWA Annual Meeting – Part 2
- 3/14/2022 Yuba C4 Meeting
- 3/15/2022 YWA Board of Directors meeting.
- 3/16/2022 Yuba Groundwater Sustainability Committee meeting
- 3/17/2022 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting.
- 3/18/2022 NCWA Manager's Meeting – Drought

3/23/2022 Member Unit Water Management Workshop
3/23/2022 Mountain Counties Water Resources - Justin Caporusso

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

Crews continue to be busy with maintenance around the district.

Large diameter pipe has been installed and a tail wall has been constructed in a very leaky ditch close to the University. Crews have also installed culverts and fixed two leaky sections of the Olive Hill Ditch.

The heat exchanger for the Virginia Ranch Dam Powerplant is still out for repair and is expected to be completed prior to the start of this year's irrigation season.

Lower District

The Pumpline Canal remains off.

Sections of ditch with low freeboard have been built up to avoid overtopping and water loss.

7. Director's Comments and Reports: None

8. Correspondence:

- Letter dated February 28, 2022 from MBK to BVID regarding current items

9. Adjournment: 5:13PM