

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

**WHEN**  
**Thursday**  
**January 27, 2022**  
**5:00 pm**

**WHERE**  
**Teleconference via Zoom**  
**Browns Valley, CA**  
**95918**

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
JANUARY 27, 2022**

President Bordsen called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Bordsen, 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 January 13, 2022 Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods, moved to approve the January 13, 2022 Minutes. Directors Bordsen, Lowe, Woods and Sokoloski aye. Director Wheeler absent. Motion passed.

**2. Public Forum:** None

**3. The Board will discuss the committee delegation for 2022.** President Bordsen assigned Director Lowe to Executive Committee and remaining committees unchanged for 2022.

**4. The Board will consider adopting Resolution 01-27-22-01 adopting the Yuba County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan which includes BVID as a party eligible for disaster funding.** A motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Woods to adopt Resolution 01-27-22-01 Director Bordsen polled the Board

AYES: Directors Bordsen, Lowe, Woods and Sokoloski  
 NOES: None  
 ABSTAIN: None  
 ABSENT: Wheeler  
 Resolution 01-27-22-01 Passed

**5. Manager’s Report:**

**COLLINS LAKE STATUS**

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	31,500 AF	63.6%	1,163.0 FT	20.0 FT	1.0 CFS	0 kW
1 YEAR AGO	12,980 AF	26.2%	1,136.7 FT	46.3 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**

Staff has been looking into options to increase the efficiency of water delivery along the Pumpline canal, including reducing known conflict areas, and the potential of adding another BVID well.

The bathymetric survey for Collins Lake was scheduled to begin this month, however it has been postponed until February.

## **CURRENT PROJECTS**

### **Virginia Ranch Dam PPA**

Staff is moving forward with the contract conversion to PG&E's RES-BCT program, with execution of the contract to begin in February 2022. The contract is currently being reviewed by Legal counsel.

### **Groundwater Pumping**

The Member Units met with Yuba Water Agency staff on December 14, 2021, to discuss the value per acre foot pumped in 2021 to offset groundwater used in lieu of surface water to account for shortages. The value offered by YWA was less than what the Member Units were requesting. Negotiations between YWA and the Member Units are ongoing and will continue into February.

### **Sicard Pipeline**

Staff is continuing to work with YWA on the grant portion of the project, and the CEQA environmental approvals have been submitted to Bureau of Reclamation.

## **PAST MEETINGS**

- 1/14/2022 The Manager, Operations Manager, Technical Services Manager and Administrative Services Manager met with Tib Belza and Sam Hansen about Fargo Way subdivision.
- 1/19/2022 The Manager attended a Yuba River Endowment Board meeting.
- 1/24/2022 The Manager met with Willie Wittlesey, Ryan McNally and Steve Grinnell about the 2022 water season.
- 1/24/2022 The Operations Manager attended a Yuba River Endowment meeting with YWA economic development consultants Major General Jake Polumbo and Lon Hatamiya.
- 1/25/2022 The Manager and Ryan McNally met with Dudley Ridge Water District.
- 1/26/2022 The Manager and Technical Services Manager attended a Member Unit Water Management workshop.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

- 2/1/2022 YWA Board of Directors meeting.
- 2/7/2022 Bay-Delta Task Force Meeting.
- 2/9/2022 Member Unit Update meeting with YWA.

2/11/2022 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting.

## **DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS**

### **Upper District**

Crews continue to be busy with maintenance around the district.

Two new services were installed in the Monument subdivision; a leaky section of the Olive Hill Ditch has been piped.

Henwood Energy has begun the yearly maintenance and inspection of the generator at Virginia Ranch Dam.

We have received a materials quote for the updated design for the Sicard Pipeline project. The quote has been forwarded to YWA to update the project scope.

### **Lower District**

The Pumpline Canal is still off. A section of the Pumpline canal (North ditch) has been repaired, it was found that the original drains that ran under the canal have failed.

### **6. Director's Comments and Reports:** None

*Director Wheeler arrived 5:13PM*

### **7. Correspondence:** None

### **8. Adjournment:** 5:16PM