

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

WHEN
Thursday
August 11, 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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AUGUST 11, 2022**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the July 28, 2022 Regular Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Lowe seconded by Director Sokoloski to approve the Minutes of the July 28, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. Directors Wheeler, Lowe, Sokoloski and Bordsen aye. Director Woods absent. Motion passed.

2. Public Forum:

- Brad Rist introduced himself as a candidate for the District 3 election

3. Finance Committee Report: Concerning the July 2022 Financials. A motion by Director Wheeler seconded by Director Lowe to approve the July 2022 financials. Directors Wheeler, Lowe, Sokoloski and Bordsen aye. Director Woods 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 Sokoloski seconded by Director Wheeler to re-authorize Board meetings to be held via teleconference. Directors Wheeler, Lowe, Sokoloski, and Bordsen aye. Director Woods absent. Motion passed.

5. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME %	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	19,080 AF 38.5%	1,146.4 FT	36.6 FT	68.2 CFS	0 kW
1 YEAR AGO	5,600 AF 11.3%	1,122.4 FT	60.6 FT	68.0 CFS	0 kW

YUBA RIVER STATUS (PUMPLINE CANAL)

DATE	MAX DIVERSION RATE (BVID/YWA CONTRACT)	BVID WATER RIGHT (CURRENT MONTH)	CURRENT DIVERSION*
TODAY	90 CFS	90 CFS	60 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.

Yuba Water Agency, BVID, Cordua and Hallwood Irrigation continue to closely monitor the North Groundwater basin. Groundwater levels remain good, even as the hot weather and pumping continue.

Members of the Jey-Rey subdivision have been in contact with the District regarding possible routes for infrastructure to the unincorporated areas.

Staff continues to coordinate with Mountain View Terrace residents regarding the new pipeline location. Staff will begin work on that project in late summer.

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 mid-July, BVID has pumped approximately 95% of the Zone 1 allocation and 54% of the Zone 4 allocation for a total of 85%.

Conserved Water Transfer

The Santa Clara Valley and Dudley Ridge Water Districts have agreed to the terms of the Conserved Water Transfer and the agreement. The transfer is scheduled for mid-August.

PAST MEETINGS

- 8/1/2022 Bay-Delta Task Force meeting.
- 8/2/2022 Project Development and Capitol Improvement Planning.
- 8/2/2022 YWA Board of Directors meeting.
- 8/2/2022 YWA Strategic Plan meeting.
- 8/4/2022 Rate Analysis – PG&E and BVID.
- 8/9/2022 Website discussion.
- 8/11/2022 Groundwater discussion.
- 8/11/2022 Wally Bird – GWS

FUTURE MEETINGS

- 8/16/2022 YWA Board of Directors meeting.
- 8/24/2022 Yuba River Endowment Board Meeting.
- 8/25/2022 Member Unit Water Management Workshop

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

The major leak near McMillian Drive was beginning to encroach on the home below the ditch. The decision was made to install an additional 500' of pipe, eliminating the open ditch in the leaky section. After the installation, the leak has been resolved and water level in the pond below the ditch is dropping.

Virginia Ranch Dam Powerhouse went offline 8/3/2022 due to a power outage. Several attempts were made to restart the generator but were unsuccessful. Henwood Energy was able to get the plant back online late yesterday afternoon (8/10) and Don is still looking into why it is difficult to restart.

The electric booster pump that serves the upper section of White Oak Way had a catastrophic failure. Due to the design and age of the system a new pump and motor were not available. With help from Henwood Energy, BVID is installing a phase converter so a new model three- phase pump can be installed.

Crew has responded to several pipeline repairs throughout the district. Redhill West, Township, and the Finch pipeline all had failures.

Staff continues to be busy with service calls and repairs.

Lower District

Pumpline is running 60cfs.

6. Director's Comments and Reports:

- Director Bordsen inquired about the status of the rental property on Marysville Rd

7. Correspondence: None

8. Adjournment: 5:27PM