

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

WHEN
Thursday
August 14, 2025
5:00 pm

WHERE
9370 Browns Valley School Rd
Browns Valley, CA
95918

This meeting will be conducted in person, by Zoom Video Conference and Audio Teleconference.

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AUGUST 14, 2025**

Director Lowe called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Lowe, Rist, Bordsen, Woods, and Howard. Also in attendance were Secretary/General Manager Kelly McNally, Operations Manager Kevin Shrader, Technical Services Manager Mark Sayers and Administrative Specialist Tracy Hopper.

1. **Minutes: The Minutes of the July 24, 2025, Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval.** A motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Rist to approve the July 24, 2025 minutes. All ayes, motion passed.
2. **Public Forum:** Rob Choate and Michele Barker
3. **Finance Committee:** The Finance Committee will report to the Board on the July 2025 Financials and may take action as necessary. A motion by Director Bordsen and seconded by Director Lowe to approve the July 2025 Financial Report. All ayes, motion passed.
4. **Manager's Report:**

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	31,303 AF	63.9%	1,163.2 FT	19.8 FT	98.7 CFS	0 kW
1 YEAR AGO	31,952 AF	65.3%	1,164.0 FT	19.0 FT	81.3 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	47.2 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

Office staff remain busy with customer calls, inquiries, work orders and questions.

The Technical Services Manager continues to work with LAFCo on the 2023 Annexation and has started working on the encroachment permit for the temporary 4" HDPE pipe across the Peoria Road Bridge over Dry Creek.

The Manager and the Technical Services Manager have been working with GEI on the EAP mapping update, and on the STID, DSSMP and ODSP update for Virginia Ranch Dam.

The Manager has completed the review of Chapter 6 of the Employee Handbook and has sent all comments to the consultant to create a draft handbook to share with the Personnel Committee. The Manager has also received the Draft 2024 Financial Audit from Blomberg and Griffin and is reviewing the report.

The Manager and Operations Manager were at Virginia Ranch Dam on July 31, 2025 for the Annual FERC inspection, which went very well, and no issues were found during the inspection.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Sicard Flat Pipeline

Fusion resumed the week of May 5, 2025 and continued through today, August 14, 2025.

BVID Office

The Geotech Engineer was at the BVID office on June 12, 2025 and the information has been sent to the BVID Engineer. He submitted the drainage study and the retaining wall design, which will need to be approved/signed by BVID staff prior to submitting for a grading permit.

Vegetation Management

Nothing new to report.

PAST MEETINGS

- 7/29/2025 BVID/Yuba Public Works/MHM – Peoria Bridge Crossing
- 7/30/2025 Member Unit Water Management Workshop
- 7/31/2025 FERC Annual Inspection of VRD
- 8/5/2025 Yuba Water Agency Board meeting
- 8/12/2025 BVID/QuickBooks - QuickBooks online sales call

FUTURE MEETINGS

- 8/18/2025 NCWA Water Management Series - Teams
- 8/19/2025 Yuba Water Agency Board meeting
- 8/20/2025 BVID/QuickBooks - QuickBooks online follow-up
- 8/21/2025 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting
- 8/28/2025 Member Unit Water Management Workshop

Upper District

Operations staff continue with service calls and maintenance throughout the District. The Crew have also completed several mainline repairs.

Mechanical cleaning of the lower Sicard Ditch, the Pal “O” Mine Ditch, and parts of the Arnold Ditch have been completed.

The VRD Generator continues to be temperamental with temperature changes, we are trying to keep it online as much as possible, however we are currently offline.

The Sicard Pipeline construction crew has resumed work on Lanza Lane. Pipe is in the ground, backfill and cleanup are underway. Work on the temporary bridge crossing will begin on Monday, August 18, 2025.

Lower District

Pumpline is currently running 60cfs.

New weed-rack and walkway is being fabricated for the Gee Ranch. This work is being done by BVID staff.

5. Director's Comments and Reports:

6. Correspondence:

7. Closed Session: Conference with legal counsel-anticipated litigation; Government Code sections 54954.5(c) and 54956.9(a) and (d)(2) and (3); significant exposure to litigation involving legal claims of the T.D. Singh Foundation.

8. Open Session: Discussion only, no action taken.

9. Adjournment: 6:01 pm