

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

WHEN
Thursday
March 28, 2024
5:00 pm

WHERE
9370 Browns Valley School Rd
Browns Valley, CA
95918

This meeting will be conducted by Zoom Video Conference and Audio Teleconference Only.

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MARCH 28, 2024**

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

1. The Minutes of the March 14, 2024 Regular Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods to approve the March 14, 2024 Minutes. Directors Howard, Bordsen, Lowe and Woods ayes. Director Rist absent. Motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None

3. Ad Hoc Committee Report: Committee to report to the Board and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe to allow the Ad Hoc Committee to negotiate offers on sell of the property located at 5370 Marysville Rd. Final offer will go to the full board for review and approval. Directors Howard, Bordsen, Lowe and Woods ayes. Director Rist absent. Motion passed.

4. The Board will receive an update on the Virginia Ranch Dam hydroelectric efficiency project. Discussion only, no action taken.

5. The Board will discuss purchasing the adjacent .91-acre parcel and take action as appropriate. Discussion only, no action taken.

6. The Board will discuss the 2024 irrigation season. No action taken, will be discussed at the regular board meeting on April 11, 2024.

7. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	48,965 AF	100.0%	1,183.0 FT	0.0 FT	0.0 CFS	985 kW
1 YEAR AGO	48,965 AF	100.0%	1,183.0 FT	0.0 FT	0.0 CFS	1,069 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	15 CFS

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

STAFF ACTIVITIES

On Monday March 25, 2024, Congressman Kevin Kiley met Directors Bordsen and Lowe and BVID staff to tour Virginia Ranch Dam. He was very interested in the history of the District, learning about District projects and operations as well as the longevity of the Board members.

The Manager and MBK completed the additional submittal request by DOE and all information was submitted on March 15, 2024.

The Administrative Services Manager has completed the 2024 billing, and the invoices were mailed out today. The Technical Services Manager has been working with the UC on the easements for the Sicard Pipeline.

The resolution to HCD for an exemption to the Surplus Land Act was submitted by BKS on March 20, 2024 and the anticipated turnaround time from HCD is 30 days.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Sicard Flat Pipeline

Installation and fusion of the pipeline began this week and will continue as long as the weather cooperates.

BVID Property

The LLA was recorded on March 7, 2024.

PAST MEETINGS

- 3/15/2024 BVID/MBK Grant meeting
- 3/19/2024 YWA Board meeting
- 3/19/2024 BVID CWT Discussion with YWA
- 3/20/2024 243 Negotiation call with GDO/DOE
- 3/22/2024 Dudley Ridge/BVID meeting
- 3/25/2024 Kevin Kiley to tour VRD
- 3/26/2024 Water Management Workshop
- 3/27/2024 NCWA Water Leaders Class - Cancelled
- 3/28/2024 BVID/Emrgy Energy

FUTURE MEETINGS

4/1/2024 Bay-Delta Task Force
4/3/2024 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting
4/4/2024 FERC 2nd Coordination Call
4/18/2024 BVID/Emrgy Energy
4/24/2024 NCWA Water Leaders Class

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

Crew has made some progress on the Sicard Pipeline project. The current and forecasted rain has delayed the project for the foreseeable future.

The Operations Manager met with the contractor performing the vegetation clearing with the Yuba Fire Safe Council. BVID has given permission to clear as much vegetation as needed on the East side of Collins Lake and Road 270.

A random audit of service outlets is being performed.

Spraying of vegetation is being conducted, weather permitting.

Ditches continue to be inspected for downed trees and obstructions due to storms.

Lower District

Pumpline is running at 15 cfs for a wetlands project.

Mechanical cleaning of the Canal is underway and will continue as necessary.

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None

9. Correspondence: None

10. Adjournment: 5:57M