

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

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

WHEN
Thursday
September 28, 2023
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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OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 28, 2023**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the September 14, 2023 Regular Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Howard to approve the September 14, 2023 minutes. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None

3. Personnel Committee Report: The Personnel Committee will report to the Board and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods to promote the current Utility 2 Step 4 to a Utility 3 Step 3. Add two Utility 1 Step 1 permanent positions and one Utility 1 Step 1 temporary position. All ayes, motion passed.

4. The Board will discuss the 2023 Irrigation Season and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Rist to discontinue the 2023 irrigation season on October 23, 2023 for the Sicard Ditch to continue the construction of the Sicard Pipeline. No date has been set for the remainder of the district.

5. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	26,750 AF	54.6%	1,157.4 FT	25.6 FT	74.5 CFS	408 kW
1 YEAR AGO	12,984 AF	26.5%	1,136.9 FT	46.1 FT	62.4 CFS	0 kW

YUBA RIVER STATUS (PUMPLINE CANAL)

DATE	MAX DIVERSION RATE (BVID/YWA CONTRACT)	BVID WATER RIGHT (CURRENT MONTH)	CURRENT DIVERSION*
TODAY	54 CFS	47.2 CFS	20 CFS

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

STAFF ACTIVITIES

The Administrative Services manager continues to be busy with calls regarding payments, billing, and service questions.

The Technical Services Manager has been busy with the RES-BCT contract and environmental work for the Sicard Pipeline project and Porter Creek.

The Operations Manager continues to oversee the Sicard Pipeline project construction and managing the operations crew.

The RFP for an Independent Consultant for BVID's 9th Part 12D was mailed on September 11, 2023 and proposals are due October 10, 2023.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Groundwater Substitution Transfer

No updates.

Conserved Water Transfer

No updates.

Sicard Flat Pipeline

Northtree Fire began removing excess vegetation on Thursday, August 3, 2023 and completed the work on Monday, August 7, 2023. Fusion began again on August 21, 2023 and will continue through next week.

BVID Property

The survey work for the LLA was completed on April 25 and CEI submitted a draft map for District review. Comments were submitted to CEI on July 18, 2023 and a revised map was resubmitted on August 14, 2023. The LLA application was submitted to Yuba County on September 18, 2023.

PAST MEETINGS

9/19/2023 YWA Board meeting
9/26/2023 Accord Executive Committee meeting
9/27/2023 Yuba GSC Meeting

FUTURE MEETINGS

10/3/2023 YWA Board meeting
10/10/2023 MBK/BVID Tour
10/10/2023 Bay-Delta Task Force meeting
10/17/2023 YWA Board meeting
10/30/2023 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting
10/31/2023 Accord Conjunctive Use meeting

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

Operations Staff continue to be busy with repairs and service calls throughout the district.

VRD powerplant remains online.

Sicard Pipeline crew continues to make steady progress. The tie-in for the reverse siphon was completed on Friday September 15th and so far, the water wasted has been reduced by 2.5 CFS. The current construction section has been slow going due to narrow work area but should be tied-in to the main pipeline by Tuesday October 3rd. Crew will continue to do site cleanup and erosion control measures before moving onto the next phase of construction.

Mechanical cleaning and vegetation control continues as necessary.

Lower District

Pumpline is Running 20 cfs.

6. Director's Comments and Reports: None

7. Correspondence: None

8. Adjournment: 5:23PM