

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

WHEN
Thursday
March 9, 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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MARCH 9, 2023**

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

1. Minutes: The Minutes of the February 9, 2023 Regular Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Lowe to approve the February 9, 2023 minutes. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None

3. Finance Committee Report: February 2023 Financials and 2023 Budget Update. Director Bordsen reported that the Draft 2023 Budget and February 2023 Financials were reviewed. Changes to 2023 Budget to be made a submitted to full Board on March 23, 2023. A motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Rist to approve the February 2023 Financials. All ayes, motion passed.

4. The Board will receive an update from Jacob Young regarding the operations and improvements at Collins Lake. No action taken.

5. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	49,500 AF	100.0%	1,183.0 FT	0.0 FT	142.2 CFS	1,064 kW
1 YEAR AGO	31,952 AF	64.5%	1,164.0 FT	19.0 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	0 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

Collins Lake continues to spill at approximately 70 cfs and we are releasing an additional 72.2 cfs through the powerhouse. Don Moss was at the powerhouse on Wednesday, March 1 and was able to install the repaired heat exchanger and start the generator. He also repaired the voltage regulator on the small unit, and it is also running.

The Administrative Services Manager has started compiling the 2023 Billing, which will be mailed out to customers later this month. The Technical Services Manager has been working on the RES-BCT billing and easements for Mountain View Terrace and the Sicard Pipeline.

The Manager has been working on the 2023 Budget and reviewing the BVID/YWA Power Enhancement Agreement.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Groundwater Substitution Transfer

It is too early in the year to determine the probability of a 2023 transfer but is unlikely.

Conserved Water Transfer

Option payment billing to Dudley Ridge and Santa Clara Valley were sent out, and there is interest from Dudley Ridge in pursuing the CWT.

Sicard Flat Pipeline

The US Bureau of Reclamation Environmental team have completed most of the reviews for the Sicard Flat Pipeline Upgrade project and the District should receive NEPA approval soon.

PAST MEETINGS

2/13/2023	BVID/YWA Accord meeting
2/13/2023	Flood Awareness meeting
2/14/2023	BVID/YWA Power generation meeting
2/14/2023	BVID/YWA/GenH meeting
2/15/2023	Yuba IRWMP Regional Water Management Group meeting
2/20/2023	Flood Awareness meeting
2/21/2023	YWA Board meeting
2/21/2023	Yuba River Endowment – Tour Paragon FFA
2/22/2023	Member Unit Water Management Workshop
2/27/2023	Flood Awareness meeting
2/28/2023	Leadership Class
3/1/2023	BVID/GenH meeting
3/2/2023	Yuba River Endowment – Board meeting
3/3/2023	NCWA Annual meeting
3/6/2023	Flood Awareness meeting
3/6/2023	Bay-Delta Task Force meeting
3/7/2023	YWA Board meeting
3/7/2023	Flood Awareness meeting
3/7/2023	BVID Staff/Caltronics

3/8/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
3/9/2023 Flood Awareness meeting

FUTURE MEETINGS

3/10/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
3/13/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
3/14/2023 BVID/FERC Part 12D First Call
3/14/2023 Yuba River Endowment – FFA Presentation
3/16/2023 Leadership class
3/20/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
3/21/2023 YWA Board meeting
3/22/2023 Member Unit Water Management Workshop

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

With more heavy rain expected this week, crews will be out cleaning ditches and screens.

A rollup door has been installed on the west side of the shop to access the newly installed vehicle lift.

Staff started a general exterior cleanup of the “rental house” all old fencing was removed and grass around the house was trimmed.

BVID hauled 10 truckloads of gravel to the road across Virginia Ranch Dam.

Virginia Ranch Powerhouse was repaired last week, both units are up and running.

Lower District

Pumpline is off due to the rain.

Repairs were made to the fish screens after a tree damaged the brush arms.

6. Director's Comments and Reports: None

7. Correspondence:

- Proposal dated February 16, 2023 to BVID from Cramer Engineering regarding lot line adjustment.

8. Adjournment: 5:30PM