

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

WHEN
Thursday
March 23, 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 23, 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 March 9, 2023 Regular Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Rist, seconded by Director Howard to approve the March 9, 2023 minutes. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None

3. Finance Committee Report: 2023 Budget Update. Discussion only

4. The Board will discuss the 2023 Budget and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Bordsen to accept the 2023 Budget as presented. All ayes, motion passed.

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	430.0 CFS	1,072 kW
1 YEAR AGO	32,278 AF 65.2%	1,164.4 FT	18.6 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 154 cfs and we are releasing an additional 276 cfs through the powerhouse. The weather remains cool and wet, and it is projected to stay cool and wet through the first week of April.

The Administrative Services Manager continues to work on the 2023 Billing, which will be mailed out to customers at the end of March and into early April. The Technical Services Manager continues to

work on the RES-BCT billing, Sicard Pipeline easements as well as the 2023 Annexation and BVID fiber project at Collins Lake.

The Manager and Operations Manager have been reviewing the 2022 DSSMR, and the Manager has been working with Yuba Water and the IRWMP team on the application for the Hydroelectric Efficiency Improvement Incentives program as well as the contract with CEI for the LLA at the BVID property.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Groundwater Substitution Transfer

There will not be a transfer in 2023, due to the exceptionally wet conditions.

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. The CWT will depend on conditions in the Delta.

Sicard Flat Pipeline

The US Bureau of Reclamation Environmental team sent the concurrence letter to SHPO for review on March 6, 2023 for the Sicard Flat Pipeline Upgrade project. If the SHPO does not have any comments, the District should receive NEPA approval in April.

PAST MEETINGS

3/10/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
3/10/2023 Yuba County Strategic Plan meeting – CDSA Director Mike Lee
3/13/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
3/14/2023 BVID/FERC Part 12D First Call
3/14/2023 Yuba River Endowment – FFA Presentation
3/15/2023 BVID/OE3
3/16/2023 Leadership class
3/20/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
3/21/2023 YWA Board meeting
3/21/2023 Yuba Accord Executive meeting
3/22/2023 Member Unit Water Management Workshop

FUTURE MEETINGS

3/24/2023 BVID Staff/Wally Bird
3/24/2023 Yuba River Endowment – Scholarship meeting
3/27/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
3/28/2023 Yuba River Endowment – Scholarship interviews
3/29/2023 Yuba River Endowment – Scholarship interviews

3/29/2023 Groundwater Sustainability Committee
3/30/2023 BVID/OE3
4/3/2023 Flood Awareness meeting
4/4/2023 YWA Board meeting
4/6/2023 Yuba River Endowment – Board meeting
4/10/2023 Flood Awareness meeting

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

Crew has been working on winter projects including, building new paddle wheels and boxes for replacement throughout the district.

California Highway Patrol conducted the “BIT” inspection on March 13th. All vehicles were found to be roadworthy.

The inside of the “rental house” was cleaned in preparation of sale.

The final load of pipe for the Sicard Pipeline was delivered this week.

Virginia Ranch Dam Powerhouse continues running with no issues.

Lower District

Pumpline is off due to the rain.

6. Director's Comments and Reports: None

7. Correspondence: None

8. Adjournment: 5:22PM