

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

WHEN
Thursday
September 5, 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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**MINUTES OF THE
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OF THE
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 5, 2024**

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

1. The Minutes of the August 22, 2024, Regular Board Meeting will be reviewed by the Board for approval. A motion by Director Woods, seconded by Director Lowe to approve the August 22, 2024 minutes. All ayes, motion passed.

2. Public Forum: None.

3. Finance Committee Report: None.

4. Ad Hoc Committee Report: Director Rist reported to the Board about the Committee meeting regarding the BVID office building and location.

5. The Board will discuss the BVID Office building and location and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods to approve moving forward with the building design and location. All ayes, motion passed.

6. The Board will discuss the Pumpline Canal design and may take action as appropriate. A motion by Director Bordsen, seconded by Director Woods, to proceed with the Pumpline Canal design and Alternative 2 for Culverts 5 and 6. All ayes, motion passed.

7. Manager’s Report:

COLLINS LAKE STATUS

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME %	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
TODAY	29,072 AF 59.0%	1,160.4 FT	22.6 FT	76.7 CFS	0 kW
1 YEAR AGO	30,099 AF 61.5%	1,161.7 FT	21.3 FT	74.3 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	25 CFS

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

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Final payments continue to trickle in as the final payment for the 2024 irrigation season was due August 31, 2024.

On August 29, 2024- August 30, 2024, the Manager attended a leadership class hosted by ACWA, which focused on how to develop personal leadership skills as well as empower and encourage leadership skills within the organization.

The Technical Services Manager has received the go-ahead from the UC on the Sicard Pipeline easements through the UC. He is working on getting the packet together and sending it out to the UC for final review and signature. As of today, the UC Center Director notified the Manager and Technical Services Manager that there will be about a 2–3-week delay getting US signatures due to some staff changes. While waiting for the easement signatures, Operations will begin cleaning/vegetation removal along the Sicard Ditch.

The Manager received the updated office plans on August 21, 2024. The Ad Hoc Committee is meeting today to discuss the design and location of the building. If the Board approves, the Manager will notify the designer, and he will begin final design/engineering. If changes are made, the Manager will send changes to the designer and schedule another Ad Hoc meeting to discuss.

The Manager has sent the proposed MOU language to the Operating Engineers 3 (OE3) representative and the OE3 representative would like to meet virtually and discuss additional items. The meeting date is still pending.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Sicard Flat Pipeline

Fusion is expected to resume when the easement with the UC is complete. Per the easement agreement, the UC is requesting a 10-day notice prior to work. Fusion is anticipated to resume late September/early October.

BVID Property

Final documents were signed on Friday, August 23, 2024.

PAST MEETINGS

8/29/2024- ACWA Executive Edge – Petaluma
8/30/2024
9/3/2024 YWA Board meeting
9/3/2024 Bay-Delta Task Force
9/4/2024 Member Unit Workshop
9/5/2024 Yuba River Endowment Board meeting

FUTURE MEETINGS

9/16/2024 NCWA Water Management Series - Teams
9/17/2024 YWA Board meeting
9/19/2024 ACWA/JPIA

DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS

Upper District

Operation staff remains busy with repairs and maintenance throughout the District.

Virgina Ranch Dam Generator went offline due to a power outage on August 24th and was restarted on August 25th. Unfortunately, while making a water adjustment, a shear pin broke and the generator went offline. Don Moss has been notified and is trying to locate a replacement shear pin.

A new service has been installed on the Olive Hill pipeline

Vegetation control around District infrastructure continues as time permits.

Crew is revisiting sections of the Sicard Pipeline project and doing final cleanup before winter weather arrives.

Lower District

Pumpline is Running 25 cfs.

Mechanical cleaning of the Canal will continue, as necessary.

8. Director's Comments and Reports: None

9. Correspondence: None

10. Closed Session: Conference with labor negotiator involving Kelly McNally, General Manager regarding unrepresented employee(s); Government Code sections 54954.5(f) and 654957.6.

11. Open Session: The Board will report any action taken in closed session. No action taken.

12. Adjournment: 5:51pm