# IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

# Meeting of the Board of Directors 33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292 Tuesday, December 12, 2023—Convenes at 1:30 p.m.

# **AGENDA**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Directors Caviglia, Phillips, Felts, DeLeonardis, Paregien, Peltzer, and Spruitenburg General Manager: Gene Kilgore

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public may directly address the Board of Directors on any item of interest to the public within the Board of Directors subject matter or jurisdiction before or during the Board of Directors considerations of the item in accordance with Government Code Section 54954.3 (Brown Act).

# 3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

a. Review and Approve Agenda – ACTION

# 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES - ACTION

a. Minutes of the September 12, 2023, Board meeting

#### 6. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS – ACTION

- a. Accounts Payable
- b. Financial Statements
- c. Investment Report
- d. Delinquent Accounts
- e. 2023 Budget Variance

# 7. WATER SUPPLY

a. 2023 Water Supply – INFORMATION

# 8. TRI-DISTRICT WATER AUTHORITY

a. Review and Consider District Administration Staff Consolidation to Tri-District Water Authority – **ACTION** 

# 9. CONSIDER COST SHARING AND SUPERVISION OF STONE CORRAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT FIELD EMPLOYEES – ACTION

## 10. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

- a. District Maintenance Activities INFORMATION
- b. District Groundwater Levels INFORMATION

# 11. MANAGERS REPORT

- a. Agricultural Water Management Plan UPDATE
- b. Consider 218 Election INFORMATION
- c. ACWA Conference INFORMATION
- d. USDA/NRCS Grant UPDATE

# 12. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT

- a. EKGSA activities UPDATE
- b. Cottonwood Creek Grant UPDATE

#### 13. FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY

- a. Associate Member Status UPDATE
- b. November 14-16 Off-Site Meeting UPDATE
- c. Friant-Kern Canal Capacity Correction UPDATE

#### 14. SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

a. Report on recent activities - UPDATE

#### 15. CLOSED SESSION

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL existing litigation; Pursuant to Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of GC Section 54956.9, the Board will meet to discuss:
  - a. Natural Resources Defense Council vs. Murillo, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California (Sacramento Division), Case No. 88-cv-1658-LKK-GGH Review status of various issues related to this litigation and implementation of the San Joaquin River Settlement.
  - b. City of Fresno et al vs. United States. U.S. Court of Federal Claims, Case No. 16-1276L.
  - c. Friant Water Supply Protection Association v. Del Puerto Water District et al. Stanislaus Co. Sup. Court Case No. CV-20-005164.
- b. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to GC Section 54956.8):

Property: District Conveyance Facilities

Agency negotiator: Gene Kilgore Negotiating parties: Wonderful

Under negotiation: Terms and conditions of use

#### 16. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

#### 17. ADJOURNMENT

Next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

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#### IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS 33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292

#### December 12, 2023

The regular meeting of the Ivanhoe Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order by President Caviglia on October 10, 2023, at 1:34 p.m.; Directors present were, Gary Caviglia, Terry Peltzer, William Spruitenburg, Doug Phillips, Steven Paregien, Vito DeLeonardis, and Bob Felts. Others present were General Manager Gene Kilgore, Superintendent Chris Marshall, and Growers Craig Hornung and Andrew Hart.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

No comments were presented.

#### ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:

The agenda was approved as presented.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

No announcements were made.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

President Caviglia called for the approval of the September 12, 2023, Board of Directors meeting minutes. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Paregien, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes with corrections: replacing polyethylene with pvc, located in the Manager Report, and replacing which with who, located in the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act section.

#### APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:

Mr. Kilgore presented payroll and accounts payable amounting to \$ 36,456.82 and \$567,729.78, respectively. Following review and discussion, on motion by Director Peltzer seconded by Director DeLeonardis, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the accounts payable, as presented, and directed payment of said invoices: check numbers 16759-16804, inclusive and included herewith as Attachment "A".

The Citizens Business Bank checking account's September 1<sup>st</sup> beginning balance was \$829,207.37, and the September 31<sup>st</sup> ending balance was \$1,086,492.13. The Retirement/Payroll account #696 had a balance of \$83.65.

The District's investments, as of September 31<sup>st</sup> amounted to the following: Money Market account #688 had a balance of \$12,395.10, Money Market account #3430 had a balance of \$559,251.48, L.A.I.F account #009 had a balance of \$527,672.59, Bank of the Sierra 90-day Certificate of Deposit's had a balance of \$512,131.66 and the Stifel Smart Rate Plan ending balance was \$505,304.50.

The ending balance for all investment funds amounted to \$2,116,755.33.

Mr. Kilgore noted there were 3 delinquent accounts amounting to \$219.65. Mr. Kilgore reviewed the 2023 Budget with the Board. After review and discussion, on motion by Director Peltzer seconded by Director

DeLeonardis and unanimously carried, the Board approved the financial statements and reports as presented.

#### WATER SUPPLY:

Mr. Kilgore reported September's Friant and Wutchumna water deliveries totaled 1,723 acre-feet and 1,433 acre-feet, respectively, of which 218 acre-feet was transferred in by Sun Pacific for recharge. The District's reservoir recharged amounted to 374 acre-feet. Recharge into Cottonwood Creek amounted to 487 acre-feet. Mr. Kilgore provided the District's projected October 2023 Friant water delivery schedule for review. There was .17 inches of precipitation recorded in September, for a season total of .91 inches.

Mr. Kilgore reported he is exploring the opportunity to purchase water for the next 10 years at a flat rate to be negotiated somewhere between \$500-\$800 per acre foot. The Board expressed interest and instructed further negotiations.

#### SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Mr. Marshall reported the average depth of groundwater measured in October was 106.1 feet. The average groundwater depth measurement rose by 5.8 feet from September's measurement.

#### **MANAGERS REPORT:**

Mr. Kilgore reported the re was no recent activities on the Agricultural Water Management Plan. Mr. Kilgore suggested the Board consider a 218 Election to address rising costs. The Board instructed staff to have the District's engineer attend December's meeting to discuss options. No update was provided for the USDA/NRCS grant.

#### SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT:

Mr. Kilgore presented an update on the EKGSA's negotiations with the Mid and Greater Kaweah GSAs regarding 2024 pumping allocations, as well as the coordination agreements.

#### FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY:

Mr. Kilgore provided an update on the Friant-Kern Canal Middle Reach Correction Project. Meetings continue to be scheduled for the San Joaquin River Restoration Plan update in 2026. Work is continuing amongst all parties to develop an operational plan.

#### SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Kilgore reported that the transfer of the Fish Bio studies, developed by the South Valley Water Authority, has been negotiated. A meeting is scheduled at the end of October to finalize the details of the transfer of information.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

The Board convened to closed session at 2.58 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at 3:45 p.m., with no recordable action.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, on motion of Director Paregien, seconded by Director DeLeonardis, and
unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for December 12, 2023 at
1:30 p.m.

Gary Caviglia, President	
General Manager, Gene Kilgore	