

**IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT**  
**Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292**  
**Tuesday, July 14, 2026 - Convenes at 1:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Directors Caviglia, Phillips, Felts, DeLeonardis, Paregien, Peltzer, and Lawson  
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 consideration 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. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. June 9, 2026, Board meeting Minutes
- b. Accounts Payable
- c. Revenue and Expense Reports
- d. 2026 Budget
- e. Investment Report
- f. Delinquent Account

6. **CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION 2026-03 ORDERING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION – ACTION**

7. **CONSIDER REVISING GROWER ALLOCATION - ACTION**

8. **WATER SUPPLY**

- a. 2026 Water Supply – **INFORMATION**

9. **PROPOSITION 218 ELECTION**

- a. Consider Adopting Engineer's Report and Budget – **ACTION**
- b. Consider Setting Hearing Date September 22, 2026 – **ACTION**
- c. Growers Meetings at Ivanhoe Memorial Building – **INFORMATION**
  - i. August 17, 2026, at 4 p.m.
  - ii. September 14, 2026, at 4 p.m.

10. **CONSIDER SPECIAL COUNSEL ENGAGEMENT – ACTION**

11. **SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT– INFORMATION**

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

12. **MANAGER'S REPORT**

- a. Agricultural Water Management Plan – **UPDATE**

b. Water Blueprint – **UPDATE**

13. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT

a. EKGSA activities – **UPDATE**

14. COTTONWOOD CREEK PROJECT – **UPDATE**

15. FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY – **UPDATE**

16. 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:

i. 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.

ii. Center for Biological Diversity et al. v. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation et al., U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California, Case No. 2:26-cv-00671-AC

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

c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
[Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)] Number of Potential Cases: One

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

Next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.

A person with a qualifying disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 may request the District to provide a disability-related modification or accommodation in order to participate in any public meeting of the District. Such assistance includes appropriate alternative formats for the agenda and agenda packets used for any public meetings of the District. Requests for such assistance and for agenda packets shall be made in person, by telephone, or written correspondence to office staff at the District office, at least 48 hours before a public District meeting. The disclosable public records related to agendas are available for public inspection at the Ivanhoe Irrigation District, 33777 Road 164, Visalia, California 93292.

**IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT****REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292

July 14, 2026

The regular meeting of the Ivanhoe Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order by President Caviglia on June 9, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. Directors present were Gary Caviglia, Doug Phillips, Bob Felts, Terry Peltzer, Steven Paregien, Vito DeLeonardis, and Casey Lawson. Others present were General Manager Gene Kilgore, Superintendent Chris Marshall, Water Analysts Maria Silva and Diana Ledesma, Tri-District Water Authority Controller Janice Daniel, Special Project Administrator Cohen Hunter, growers Craig Hornung, Andrew Hart, Ryan Dowling, Eric Meling, and Friant Water Authority CEO Johnny Amaral.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

President Caviglia opened the floor for public comments; Mr. Hornung reported that he attended a Groundwater Resources Assistance meeting presented by the Department of Water Resources (DWR), led by Eric Garcia. He encouraged growers and District staff to follow up with Mr. Garcia regarding grant funding opportunities available through DWR.

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

No changes were requested, and the agenda was accepted as presented.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mr. Kilgore announced Director Caviglia attended the Wutchumna Water Company Board meeting held on May 13, 2026. Director Phillips attended the Friant Water Authority Board meeting held on May 28, 2026. Directors Phillips and Caviglia attended Tri-District Water Authority Special Board meeting held on May 14, 2026. Tri-District Water Authority welcomed its newest team member, Cohen Hunter, introduced by Mr. Kilgore. Mr. Hunter joins the organization as the Special Project Administrator, where he will support key initiatives and upcoming projects. Mr. Kilgore informed the Board that Ms. Daniels has accepted another employment opportunity to further advance her career. He noted that her extensive experience in finance has been invaluable in supporting the Districts' efforts to maintain professional accounting practices and ensure transparency. Her last day with the Authority will be July 8, 2026.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

President Caviglia called for the approval of the May 12, 2026, Board of Directors meeting minutes. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director DeLeonardis, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes with the correction of Director Casey Lawson's first name located in the first paragraph.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:

Ms. Daniel presented May's payroll of \$44,781.88 and accounts payable amounting to \$166,672.84. On motion by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Felts, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the accounts payable, as presented, and directed payment of said invoices: Mission Bank Check numbers #18443 - #18458, and included herewith as Attachment "A".

Mission Bank checking and Payroll accounts' May 31<sup>st</sup> ending balances were \$83,538.89 and \$17,263.30, respectively.

The District's investments, as of May 31<sup>st</sup>, amounted to the following: Mission Bank Money Market 8980 had a balance of \$3,546,836.62, L.A.I.F account #009 had a balance of \$593,264.36. The Stifel Cash Account, Stifel Sweep account, and Stifel Smart Rate Plan ending balances were \$258,000, \$0.77, and \$566,981.55, respectively. The ending balance for all investment/saving funds and checking accounts amounted to \$4,965,083.30 and \$100,802.19, respectively.

Mr. Kilgore reported there were no delinquent accounts. After review and discussion On motion by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Felts, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the financial statements and reports as presented. Financial statements and reports are included herewith as Attachment "B."

WATER SUPPLY:

Mr. Kilgore reported that the District delivered 1,014 acre-feet of CVP rescheduled water in May for irrigation demands. Stored Friant and Kaweah water supply, as of May 31<sup>st</sup> was approximately 6,672 and 4,824 acre-feet, respectively. There was 0.08 inches of precipitation recorded in May, precipitation recorded to-date was 12.73 inches. Mr. Kilgore also noted that 48.99 acre-feet of operational spill water was diverted into District basins, for a season total of 104.44 acre-feet.

2023 FINANCIAL AUDIT:

Ms. Daniel presented the District's 2023 financial audit for Board review and acceptance. While the final dollar amount was accurate and consistent with the District's position, Staff identified a classification issue in which assessment revenues were recorded as water revenue. This misclassification may lead to misinterpretation of operating revenue sources. After a robust discussion, On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Felts, and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the 2023 audit as presented.

DISTRICT LEGAL COUNCIL:

At the May Board meeting, Mr. Kilgore reported that the District may need to seek new legal counsel due to Alex Peltzer's departure from Peltzer, Richardson & Koontz law Corporation. After speaking with the firm's partners, Mr. Kilgore recommended that the District continue its relationship with the firm, with Ken Richardson assuming Mr. Peltzer's role. The Board accepted management's recommendation, and no action was required to maintain services with the firm.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Mr. Marshall reported the emergence of three new leaks located at 68-15s, 69-30s, and 69-40s. A total of eight leaks have been repaired, with four repairs completed on the 68 line and four on the 69 line. Six leaks remain active—four on the 68 line and two on the 69 line. Additionally, thirteen previously identified leaks have ceased leaking and are being monitored. Packing replacement on valves 68-12n and 69-50n has been completed, and graffiti removal along with the painting of new meter numbers has been performed. Groundwater measurements for June indicate an average depth of 99.90 feet, reflecting a decline of 1.36 feet compared to May's readings.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Mr. Kilgore provided no new update on District's Agricultural Water Management Plan or the Water Blueprint's Unified Water Plan. Mr. Kilgore reported that engineering consultant Nick Keller is in the final stages of completing the Engineer's Report and Budget, which will be presented at the July Board meeting. At the July Board meeting, the Board will consider the adoption of the Engineer's Report and Budget, as well as setting the Hearing date for September 22, 2026. Mr. Keller is also reviewing the District's tax roll following recent staff edits to ensure accuracy.

SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT:

The EKGSA continues to coordinate with Mid and Greater GSAs regarding overdraft and subsidence concerns. Mr. Hornung reported the Greater Kaweah GSA has announced funding for their land repurposing program.

COTTONWOOD PROJECT AWARD:

Mr. Kilgore provided an update on the construction status, stating construction is ahead of schedule and the project is anticipated to be completed by the first week of August 2026. Photos were shown of the project.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY (FWA):

Mr. Kilgore introduced Johnny Amaral, CEO of the Friant Water Authority, who provided an update on current Friant activities and highlighted the significant contributions made by Congressman David Valadao and Congressman Vince Fong in securing \$200 million in funding for the Friant Water Authority through the Big Beautiful Bill.

CLOSED SESSION:

There was no closed session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, President Caviglia adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m. The next regular Board meeting was scheduled for July 14, 2026, at 1:30 p.m.

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Gary Caviglia, President

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General Manager, Gene Kilgore