

**IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT**  
**Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292**  
**Tuesday, July 9, 2024 - 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. CONSENT CALENDAR
  - a. Minutes of the June 11, 2024, Board meeting
  - b. Accounts Payable
  - c. Revenue and Expense Report
  - d. 2024 Budget
  - e. Investment Report
  - f. Delinquent Accounts
6. WATER SUPPLY
  - a. 2024 Water Supply – **INFORMATION**
7. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT
  - a. District Maintenance Activities
  - b. District Groundwater Levels
8. MANAGERS REPORT
  - a. Agricultural Water Management Plan – **UPDATE**
  - b. Tri-District Water Authority – **INFORMATION**
9. CONSIDER ADOPTING ENGINEERS REPORT FOR 218 ELECTION – ACTION
10. CONSIDER REVISING 2024 WATER ALLOCATION – ACTION
11. SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT
  - a. EKGSA activities – **UPDATE**
  - b. Cottonwood Creek Grant – **UPDATE**
12. FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY
  - a. Friant-Kern Canal Capacity Correction – **UPDATE**

13. SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION

- a. Report on recent activities – **UPDATE**

14. 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 LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(b); (1 potential cases)

- c. 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

15. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

16. ADJOURNMENT

Next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, Tuesday, August 13, 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

July 9, 2024

The regular meeting of the Ivanhoe Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order by President Caviglia on June 11, 2024, at 1:33 p.m.; Directors present were, Gary Caviglia, Doug Phillips, Bob Felts, Terry Peltzer, William Spruitenburg, Steven Paregien, and Vito DeLeonardis. Others present were General Manager Gene Kilgore, Superintendent Chris Marshall, Water Analyst Maria Silva, legal counsel Alex Peltzer, and growers Craig Hornung and Andrew Hart.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

President Caviglia opened the floor for public comments; none were presented.

**ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

Mr. Kilgore requested to add two additional items: 1) Consider revising the 2024 water allocation, and 2) Consider revising 2024 water rate. On motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director Peltzer, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the additional items.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mr. Kilgore announced that Director Phillips attended the Friant Water Authority Board meeting held on May 23, 2024.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

President Caviglia called for the approval of the May 14, 2024, Board of Directors meeting minutes. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Spruitenburg, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the minutes with the correction of two grammatical errors.

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:**

Mr. Kilgore presented the May/June payroll and accounts payable amounting to \$36,900.00 and \$148,545.04, respectively. Following review and discussion, on motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director DeLeonardis, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the accounts payable, as presented, and directed payment of said invoices: check numbers 17127-17171, inclusive and included herewith as Attachment "A".

The Citizens Business Bank checking account's May 1<sup>st</sup> beginning balance was \$70,493.27, with an increase of \$4,155.59, May 31<sup>st</sup> ending balance was \$74,648.86. Payroll account #696 had an ending balance of \$312.12.

The District's investments, as of May 31<sup>st</sup> amounted to the following: Money Market account #688 had a balance of \$12,403.43, Money Market account #3430 had a balance of \$9,481.85, L.A.I.F account #009 had a balance of \$543,525.85, Bank of the Sierra 90-day Certificate of Deposit's had a balance of \$530,278.13 and the Stifel Smart Rate Plan ending balance was \$521,916.02 and the Citizens Bank T-Bill account balance was \$550,000. The ending balance for all investment funds amounted to \$2,167,605.28.

Mr. Kilgore noted there were no delinquent accounts. After review and discussion, on motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director DeLeonardis, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the financial statements and reports as presented.

WATER SUPPLY:

Mr. Kilgore reported the Bureau's 2023/2024 allocation remained unchanged from previously reported in May. Mr. Kilgore reported gross Kaweah water supply, as of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, was approximately 4,039 Acre-feet. Friant, May irrigation deliveries totaled 806 acre-feet and recharge into Cottonwood Creek totaled 852 acre-feet. Wutchumna, May deliveries amounted to 672 acre-feet. There was 0.49 inches of precipitation recorded in May, for a season total of 12.40 inches. With water supplies exceeding estimates, Mr. Kilgore requested to revise the District's allocation from 1.0 to 1.38 acre-feet per acre and reduce the water rate from \$300 to \$250 per acre-foot. After review and discussion, on motion by Director DeLeonardis, seconded by Director Spruitenburg, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the revised water allocation and rate.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Mr. Marshall reported the average depth of groundwater measured in June was 100.78 feet. The average groundwater depth measurement increased by 1.74 feet from May's measurement.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Mr. Kilgore presented no update on the Agricultural Water Management Plan report. Mr. Kilgore reported that Keller's Engineering is preparing the 218-election report and budget to be presented at the next Board meeting.

TRI-DISTRICT WATER AUTHORITY (TDWA):

Mr. Kilgore reported the Stone Corral Irrigation Board had requested to amend language in the Shared Administrative Staff Agreement that was ratified at the May 14<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Mr. Kilgore presented the agreement for consideration and approval. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director DeLeonardis, and unanimously carried, the Board accepted and approved the revised Shared Administrative Staff Agreement.

SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT:

Mr. Kilgore reported the three GSAs have scheduled a meeting on June 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss the amended Groundwater Plan and share their collaboration efforts.

Mr. Kilgore reported on the progress of the Cottonwood Creek Project. Friant Water Authority has reviewed and approved the measurement station design.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY (FWA):

Mr. Kilgore reported that FWA will be presenting their 2025 proposed budget for public review at their June Board meeting. Their proposed budget increased by approximately two million dollars; half of the increase was for potential litigation. The permanent plugs in the middle reach canal project had been set in place. The canal capacity project is complete, except for the five (5) pump stations that have not been constructed. The construction date of these facilities has yet been determined.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Kilgore reported that a meeting was Scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup>.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board convened to closed session at 3:15 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at 4:03 p.m., with no recordable action.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

Mr. Kilgore requested the Board consider becoming members of the Friant Water Authority. On motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director Paregien, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the execution of the membership agreement.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Peltzer, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 4:19 p.m. Next meeting was scheduled for July 9, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

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Gary Caviglia, President

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General Manager, Gene Kilgore