

**IVANHOE IRRIGATION DISTRICT**  
**Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**33777 Rd. 164 Visalia, CA 93292**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 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 April 9, 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. Consider 218 Election – **INFORMATION**
- c. Tri-District Water Authority – **INFORMATION**

9. **CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION OF TRI DISTRICT WATER AUTHORITY SPECIAL PROJECT AGREEMENT-SHARED ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF – ACTION**

10. **CONSIDER ADOPTING RESOLUTION 2024-02 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS – ACTION**

11. **SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT**

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

12. **FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY**

- a. Associate Member Agreement – **INFORMATION**
  - b. 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. CONSIDER JOINING FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY– ACTION
17. ADJOURNMENT
- Next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting, Tuesday, June 11, 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

May 14, 2024

The regular meeting of the Ivanhoe Irrigation District Board of Directors was called to order by President Caviglia on April 9, 2024, at 1:33 p.m.; Directors present were, Gary Caviglia, Doug Phillips, Bob Felts, Terry Peltzer, William Spruitenburg, Steven Paregien, and Vito DeLeonardis. Director Vito DeLeonardis arrived at 1:49 p.m. Others present were General Manager Gene Kilgore, Superintendent Chris Marshall, Water Analyst Maria Silva, 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:

The agenda was approved as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements were presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

President Caviglia called for the approval of the March 12, 2024, Board of Directors meeting minutes. On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried, the Board approved the minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS:

Mr. Kilgore presented the March and April payroll and accounts payable amounting to \$ 31,986.08 and \$473,562.06, respectively. Following review and discussion, on motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director Paregien, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the accounts payable, as presented, and directed payment of said invoices: check numbers 17032- 17082, inclusive and included herewith as Attachment "A".

The Citizens Business Bank checking account's March 1<sup>st</sup> beginning balance was \$1,292,181.22, an increase of \$784.84 from the reported February 29<sup>th</sup> ending balance of \$1,291,396.38. March 31<sup>st</sup> ending balance was \$1,079,491.22. Payroll account #696 had an ending balance of \$592.

The District's investments, as of March 31<sup>st</sup> amounted to the following: Money Market account #688 had a balance of \$12,401.29, Money Market account #3430 had a balance of \$9,481.52, L.A.I.F account #009 had a balance of \$532,430.93, Bank of the Sierra 90-day Certificate of Deposit's had a

balance of \$527,232.07 and the Stifel Smart Rate Plan ending balance was \$517,746.68. A new Citizens Bank T-Bill account was opened with an account balance of \$550,000. The ending balance for all investment funds amounted to \$2,149,292.49.

Mr. Kilgore noted there were seven (7) delinquent accounts amounting to \$6,721.35. After review and discussion, on motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director Paregien, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the financial statements and reports as presented.

WATER SUPPLY:

Mr. Kilgore reported the Bureau increased its 2023/2024 CVP allocation from 65% to 95% of Class 1 supply. Increasing delivery allocation from 4,225 acre-feet to 6,175 acre-feet. Mr. Kilgore reported gross Kaweah water supply, as of April 1<sup>st</sup>, totaled 1,681 Acre-feet. There was 2.75 inches of precipitation recorded in March, for a season total of 10.84 inches. To-date, average precipitation and snowpack in the Tulare Basin and Southern Sierra was 84% and 84%, respectively.

ADOPT PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET

Mr. Kilgore requested to revise the interim 2024 budget. The revision reflected the additional water supply from the 95% allocation, which would increase water revenue. On motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director Peltzer, and unanimously carried, the Board revised the adopted 2024 Budget.

2024 WATER RATE

On motion by Director Felts, seconded by Director Peltzer, and unanimously carried, the Board decreased the 2024 water rate from \$344 per acre-foot, to \$300 per acre-foot.

2024 GROWER ALLOCATION

On motion by Director Phillips, seconded by Director DeLeonardis, and unanimously carried, the Board increased 2024 grower allocation from .72 acre-feet per acre, to 1.0 acre-feet per acre.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:

Mr. Marshall reported the average depth of groundwater measured in April was 98.97 feet. The average groundwater depth measurement rose by .55 feet from March's measurement.

Mr. Marshall reported on the various meter repair/replacement and pipeline repairs that continue to be performed throughout the District.

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 budget to be presented at the June's Director meeting. Mr. Kilgore reported \$231,251.96 grant funding had been received for the USDA/NRCS grant pipeline replacement project.

TRI-DISTRICT WATER AUTHORITY (TDWA):

Mr. Kilgore reported legal counsel has drafted a TDWA Joint Powers Agreement- Employee Sharing for review the TDWA Board to consider adopting.

SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT:

Mr. Kilgore reported the EKGSA's staff and consultant are reviewing the Water Board's probation determination for the Tulare Lake Sub-basin and addressing comparable inadequacies to the Kaweah sub-basin's plan. The three GSAs continue to work through coordination objectives.

FRIANT WATER AUTHORITY (FWA):

Mr. Kilgore reiterated his recommendation to the Board, that they consider joining Friant Water Authority. The District's associate member agreement is subject to expire June 30, 2024.

Mr. Kilgore reported the contractors were scheduled to remove the earthen dams (plugs) on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

SOUTH VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Kilgore reported no current reportable activity.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board convened to closed session at 3:20 p.m.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on motion by Director DeLeonardis, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m. Next meeting was scheduled for May 14, 2024, at 1:30 p.m.

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Gary Caviglia, President

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General Manager, Gene Kilgore