

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, September 23, 2015 – 8:30 a.m.

CCID Main Office, 1335 West I Street, Los Banos, California

Notice: One or more Directors may attend the meeting by conference call. The speaker phone will be available to the public in the Board meeting room. If a conference call occurs, all votes will be conducted by roll call.

1. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review of Agenda

The Board will consider corrections or additions to the agenda of items requiring immediate action that have come to the attention of the District following the posting of the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of August 26, 2015

4. Water Report and Informational Items

- a. Four Entities Watermaster's report on reservoir storage and water supply outlook
- b. CCID water operations
- c. Report on individual water use for 2015
- d. Update of various studies and water supply issues

5. Public Participation

At this time, members of the public may address the Board on matters that are not on the agenda, which affect the operations of the District and are within the jurisdiction of the Board. The President may limit the time allowed for comment. (Members of the public may also address the Board on any matter on the agenda, when that item is brought up.)

6. Families Protecting the Valley

Denis Proseri, representing the Board of Directors of Families Protecting the Valley, will appear before the Board to discuss the goals and activities of the organization. At the conclusion of his presentation, the Board will be asked to consider whether to authorize the District to make a financial contribution for 2015.

7. On-Farm Water Conservation Program

a. Completed Projects

A number of conservation projects that have previously received preliminary approval from the Water Conservation Policy Committee will be described and the Board will be asked to approve incentive grants and/or loans for the projects, and to authorize the execution of the loan documents.

b. Applications for 2015 Program

Staff and the Water Conservation Policy Committee will report to the Board as to the new applications for on-farm conservation projects that were received by the deadline date of August 12. No Board action is expected to be requested.

8. Approval of August 2015 Warrants

9. Monthly Financial Report

The Secretary will present figures through August 31 for water sales, revenues and expenses in comparison to the 2015 budget, receivables, investments, and reserve funds for water conservation loans and projects. No Board action is expected to be taken.

10. License Agreement for Pipeline Overcrossing – D.T. Locke Ranch, Inc.

D.T. Locke Ranch, Inc. has asked to cross the Helm Ditch northwest of Mendota Dam with a 12-inch pipeline to convey water from a well on the east side of the Ditch to a pump and filter station on the west side of the Ditch, all on property that they own. The installation and the proposed license agreement meet the District's requirements, and the Board will be asked to approve the request and authorize the President and Secretary to execute the document.

11. License Agreement for PG&E Canal Crossing

PG&E has submitted a request to cross the Shafter Ditch with an overhead electrical power line to serve a new well for Wolfsen Ranches, northeast of Dos Palos. As the request meets District engineering standards and the proposed license agreement is in line with District legal and insurance requirements, the Board will be asked to approve the request, and to authorize the President and Secretary to execute the license agreement.

12. Bid Documents for Los Banos Creek Diversion Facility Project

Plans and specifications have been prepared for the Los Banos Creek Diversion Facility Project. The plans will be reviewed with the Board, which will be asked to accept the documents and authorize a call for bids for the project.

13. Proposed Solar Energy Generation Facility

Staff will update the Board on its research into the proposal to construct a solar energy generation facility near Firebaugh. Board action may be requested.

14. Legal and Four-Entities Matters

General Counsel, the Executive Director and the Manager will discuss with the Board current issues affecting the Exchange Contractors and CCID. Board action may be requested on any of these matters.

15. Miscellaneous Business

At this time, Board members and staff may discuss matters that are not on the agenda which may affect operations of the District. No Board action is expected to be taken.

16. Closed Session

- a. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Existing Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regard to Friant Water Authority, et al. v. United States Department of the Interior, et al.
- b. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regard to actions expected to be taken by the State Water Resources Control Board.
- c. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Discussion of and instructions to the Four Entities’ Transfer Committee for the transfer of water.
- d. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Instructions to staff with respect to acquisition of property to be utilized for the new Poso Canal Reservoir and East Ditch Reservoir.
- e. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Litigation – CCID/Firebaugh Canal Water District v. United States (Drainage litigation).
- f. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Subsidence in Western Madera County and Merced County east of the San Joaquin River.
- g. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – San Joaquin River Restoration, including NRDC v. Rodgers, et al.
- h. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – SWRCB proceedings regarding salinity, San Joaquin River flows, State and Federal ESA as applied to Delta smelt, longfin smelt, steelhead and salmon.
- i. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Regional Board adoption of upstream salinity TMDL standards.

16. Closed Session (Continued)

- j. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.

17. Adjournment