

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, March 22, 2017 – 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 – March 7, 2017

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 by CCID consumers
- 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. On-Farm Water Conservation Program

One or more 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.

7. Proposition 218 Hearing on 2017 Non-Critical Year Water Rate Schedule

On January 24, 2017, the District mailed information about the water rate schedule that was adopted by the Board of Directors for the 2017 water season. The notice informed all District landowners and water users of their right under Proposition 218 to protest the changes in rates and allocations for a 45-day period, ending March 17, 2017. The Board will conduct a hearing to consider and tabulate any protests, provide information and confirm that the 2017 rate schedule as adopted by the Board is in full force and effect.

8. Russell Avenue Bridge

Staff will give the Board an update on the latest plans, cost estimate and funding availability for the Russell Avenue Bridge over the Outside Canal. No Board action is expected to be taken.

9. Presentation of 2016 Financial Report

John M. Murao, the District's independent auditor, will present the 2016 audited financial report. The Board may accept the report as presented, or may take it under advisement for consideration and acceptance at the next Board meeting.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to the Four Entities' Transfer Committee for the transfer of water.

12. Closed Session (Continued)

- d. (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 Merced Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO).
- 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.
- j. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.

13. Adjournment