

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, May 27, 2020 – 8:30 a.m.

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

NOTE: In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order (N-29-20) and the declared State of Emergency as a result of the threat of COVID-19, members of the Board of Directors, and CCID staff will be participating in this meeting remotely from multiple locations. This meeting will occur exclusively through gotomeeting. If members of the public have any problems using the call-in number during the meeting, please contact the District office at (209) 826-1421.

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Notice: All Directors and members of the public are asked to attend the meeting by conference call. During the conference call, 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

- a. Regular Meeting of April 22, 2020
- b. Special Meeting of May 13, 2020

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. **Approval of April 2020 Warrants**

8. **Monthly Financial Report**

The Secretary will present figures through April 30 for water sales, revenues and expenses in comparison to the 2020 budget, receivables, investments, and reserve funds for water conservation loans and projects. No Board action is expected.

9. **California Farm Water Coalition – Cultivate California Update**

Mike Wade, the Executive Director for the California Farm Water Coalition, will report on their public outreach and education program. The Board may be asked to contribute to the program.

10. **2020 Elections for Directors**

The terms of office for Division 2 (Bloom), Division 3 (Fagundes) and Division 5 (Fontana) expire in December 2020. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution No. 20-10 to authorize the Elections Offices of Merced County and Fresno County to include those three CCID divisions in the General District Election, to be held on November 3, 2020.

11. **Surplus Equipment**

Pending the recommendation of the Equipment Review Committee, the Board will be asked to adopt Resolution No. 20-11 to declare some vehicles and equipment to be surplus to the District’s needs, and to authorize their sale at applicable minimum prices.

12. **Changes to Retirement Plans Due to CARES Act**

One of the provisions of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) that was passed by Congress is to enhance access to retirement savings as a potential source of relief. The District's retirement plans affected are the 401(k) plan and two 457(b) deferred comp plans. The Board will be asked to authorize the Manager and/or Secretary to execute the documents for these mandatory changes on behalf of the District.

13. **Proposed License Agreement for an Overhead Electrical Line**

PG&E has requested to place an overhead electrical line over the Main Canal at Almond Drive. Staff will describe the request and Board action will be requested.

14. **Pumping of Private Wells for Water Credits in Federal Districts in 2020**

The Board will be asked to review and approve two new requests from Perez Farms and Pereira Bros. and Sons who wish to pump their private wells for water credits on their own property in a neighboring Federal district in 2020.

15. **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.

16. **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.

17. **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.
- d. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Litigation – CCID/Firebaugh Canal Water District v. United States (Drainage litigation).

17. Closed Session (Continued)

- e. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Subsidence in Western Madera County and Merced County east of the San Joaquin River.
- f. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – San Joaquin River Restoration, including NRDC v. Rodgers, et al.
- g. (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.
- h. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Regional Board adoption of upstream salinity TMDL standards.
- i. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.
- j. (Government Code Section 54956.9) – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/or Release.
- k. (Government Code Section 54956.9(b)) – Significant Exposure to Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regards to two items and subjects. In regard to one item, the Board will determine whether the option to commence litigation should be exercised.
- l. (Government Code Section 54956.8) – Real Property Negotiation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regards to real property.

18. Adjournment

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