

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, May 26, 2021 – 8:30 a.m.

Los Banos Elks Lodge No. 2510, 565 “E” 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: Members of the public are asked to attend the meeting by conference 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 28, 2021
- b. Special meeting of May 12, 2021

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 2021 Warrants

8. Monthly Financial Report

The Secretary will present figures through April 30 for water sales, revenues and expenses in comparison to the 2021 budget, receivables, investments, and reserve funds for water conservation loans and projects. No Board action is expected.

9. Water Rates Discussion

With the results from the hearing on the proposed rates increase showing that only 9% of the District's APN numbers having protested, the Board will discuss the budget shortfall for 2021. The Board will also discuss 2021 water rates. Board action may be taken.

10. Pumping of Private Wells for Water Credits in Federal Districts in 2021

The Board will be asked to review and approve requests from one or more CCID landowners who wish to pump private wells for water credits for their own properties in neighboring Federal districts in 2021.

11. Repayment Agreement Program

Staff met with the Conservation Committee to review the guidelines for the District's Repayment Agreement Program. Revisions were requested to be consistent with Board practices. Board action is anticipated.

12. 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.

13. **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.

14. **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(a)) – Existing Litigation – California Sportfishing Protection Alliance v. San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority, et al.
- c. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Existing Litigation – Sierra Club, et al., v. Del Puerto Water District.
- 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 the State Water Resources Control Board.
- e. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to the Four Entities’ Transfer Committee for the transfer of water.
- f. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Litigation – CCID/Firebaugh Canal Water District v. United States (Drainage litigation).
- g. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Subsidence in Western Madera County and Merced County east of the San Joaquin River.
- h. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – San Joaquin River Restoration, including NRDC v. Rodgers, et al.
- i. (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.
- j. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Regional Board adoption of upstream salinity TMDL standards.
- k. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.

14. **Closed Session (Continued)**

1. (Government Code Sections 54956.8) – Real Property Negotiations – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regard to negotiations for the Orestimba Creek Expansion Project additional acreage.

15. **Adjournment**

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