



REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

501 Taft Highway
Bakersfield, California

TUESDAY, June 1, 2021

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM

12:00PM

CLOSED SESSION:

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Closed Session Pursuant to Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(1):
 - 1. SWRCB Kern River
 - 2. Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District, et al. v. Kern County Water Agency, et al.
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Initiation of Litigation – Closed Session Pursuant to Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(4):
 - 1. One Matter

REGULAR SESSION:

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND PUBLIC

- I. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on any matter not on the agenda, but absent extraordinary circumstances, the Board may not act on such matters. Members of the public may address items of interest that are listed on the agenda prior to the Board's decision on such items.)
- II. **MANAGER'S REPORT** (The General Manager will discuss, and the Board will consider various items and issues relating to the ongoing and future operations of the District which are of interest to the Board)
 - A. Approve Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 18, 2021.
 - B. Groundwater Banking Program Update.
- III. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS** (This item provides Board Members with an opportunity to make announcements or provide general comments.)
- IV. **ADJOURN**

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**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

May 18, 2021

TUESDAY, May 18, 2021, 12:05PM– 2:13PM

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Kaiser, Antongiovanni, Tillema, Collins, Mendonca, and Spitzer.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Palla, Bidart and Garone.

STAFF PRESENT: General Manager Teglia, Water Resources Manager Mulkay, Assistant General Manager Bellue, General Counsel Iger, Controller Duncan, and Administrative Assistant Rodriguez.

OTHERS PRESENT: George Cappello.

CLOSED SESSION DECLARED AT 12:05PM

Vice-President Kaiser called to order the Closed Session of the Kern Delta Board of Directors at 12:05PM regarding the following agenda items:

A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Closed Session Pursuant to Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(1):

1. SWRCB Kern River
2. Rosedale Rio Bravo Water Storage District, et al. v. Kern County Water Agency, et al.

B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Initiation of Litigation – Closed Session Pursuant to Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(4):

1. One Potential Matter

C. Conference with Legal Counsel – Potential Litigation – Closed Session Pursuant to Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(2),(e)(1):

1. One Matter

Closed Session was concluded at 1:36PM.

Note: Director Spitzer departed the meeting at 1:05PM.

REGULAR SESSION DECLARED AT 1:39PM

Vice-President Kaiser called to order the Regular Session of the Kern Delta Board of Directors at 1:39PM.

Closed Session Report: District General Counsel Iger reported the following:

Item A: No reportable action.
Item B: No reportable action.
Item C: No reportable action.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND PUBLIC

Those listed as others present were announced as guests.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

M/S/C (Mendonca/Collins) (yes-5, no-0): With Directors Palla, Bidart, Garone, and Spitzer absent, the Board approved and authorized items II A through II C of the Consent Calendar.

- A. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of May 4, 2021.
- B. Approval of the April/May District Construction and Water Banking Disbursements.
- C. Approval of the April/May District Disbursements.

III. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

A. Business & Finance Committee – May 13, 2021: District Controller Duncan provided a report from the May Business & Finance Committee Meeting.

A(i). Approval of April 2021 Financial Reports: Mr. Duncan presented the April 2021 District and Water Banking Project Financial Statements, Treasurer’s Reports, and District Delinquency Report.

M/S/C (Antongiovanni/Tillema) (yes-5, no-0): With Directors Palla, Bidart, Garone, and Spitzer absent, the Board approved the April 2021 District and Water Banking Project Financial Statements, Treasurer’s Reports, and Delinquency Report as presented.

A(ii). Preparation for Annual Audit of District Financials: Mr. Duncan provided a brief verbal update that staff is preparing for the annual District financial audit which is to begin the week of May 24th.

IV. OPERATIONS AND PROJECTS

A. - A(i-ii). Operations and Projects Committee – May 4, 2021: Assistant General Manager Bellue briefly reported on the May Operations and Projects Committee Meeting including District maintenance activities, and recent encroachment permit requests.

V. KERN RIVER WATERMASTER

A. - A(ii). District Water Master Report: In the absence of District Hydrographer Hyatt, General Manager Teglia reviewed and discussed the water supplies of the District for the month of April and early May. Approximately 14,251 acre-feet of water was delivered in District during April. In addition, Mr. Teglia provided graphical information regarding depth to groundwater at various monitoring locations throughout the District. Mr. Teglia also provided information related to a long-term seasonal outlook, which included current river forecast information showing a 17% April – July runoff on the Kern River. Mr. Teglia also highlighted the current State Water Project allocation which is 5%.

B. - B(i). Kern River Watermaster Report: The report was not available prior to the Board meeting.

VI. MANAGER'S REPORT

A. External Agency Report: Mr. Teglia provided verbal comments supplementing a memorandum included in the Board package which provided information on the meetings and activities of various external agencies. These agencies include, but are not limited to, the Kern County Water Agency (including the status of the Delta Conveyance Project and Contract Extension), Kern Fan Authority, Kern River Watershed Coalition Authority, Kern Groundwater Authority, Kern River Groundwater Sustainability Agency, the South Valley Water Resources Authority, the Water Association of Kern County, and the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan.

B. Water Banking Projects Report: Mr. Teglia provided verbal comments supplementing a memorandum included in the Board package which provided information on water banking project activity on the Kern Fan.

C. – C(I-ii). VAWC Legislative Update: A copy of the VAWC legislative update was provided in the Board packet. In addition, the Board was also provided a copy of the Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency and the Governor's Water Infrastructure Plan summary.

IX. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

X. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Vice-President Kaiser adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:13PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Steven Teglia, General Manager

Approved by Board,



Richard Tillema, Board Secretary