

**MINUTES FOR THE JANUARY 10, 2023
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SSJID BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID) met in person in regular session in the District Boardroom at 9:00 a.m., with public access provided via the online Zoom meeting platform. Director Weststeyn called the meeting to order and led the flag salute. Upon roll-call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS: HOLBROOK KAMPER ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
ABSENT: NONE

Also present were General Manager Peter M. Rietkerk, General Counsel Mia Brown, Engineering Department Manager Forrest Killingsworth, and Clerk of the Board Danielle Barney.

Public Comment

Mr. Tom Terpstra, Attorney at Neumiller & Beardslee, addressed the Board as legal counsel for Kenneth and Margaret Roos, and Sherwin and Helen DeBoer (Landowners) regarding their permit application to replace a private bridge near the Main Distribution Canal (MDC) Drop 12, which was approved, for submittal, by Board action on December 13, 2022. He stated that his clients are mindful of the District’s requirement that construction be completed before the start of irrigation season, tentatively February 15, 2023. Mr. Terpstra explained the timeline of the permit application process and asked for the Board’s consideration to expedite the process to approve the permit application, allowing ample time for project completion by February 2023. On behalf of the landowners, he thanked the Board for their time and authorization to submit the permit application. Director Weststeyn responded that he had spoken to Mr. Roos, explaining that he conferred with the SSJID Engineering Department, and that permit application work is underway.

Mr. Peter Rietkerk, SSJID General Manager, addressed the Board regarding Action Calendar Item #5 – Discuss and Consider Approval of Budget Amendment for Purchase of Three (3) Vehicles. He stated that staff requested the item be removed from the agenda calendar at this time. The Board accepted staff’s request and removed Item #5.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Checks in the amount of \$647,873,86; Accounts Payable Wires in the amount of \$707,012,04; and Payroll dated December 16, 2022 in the amount of 274,605.92, December 23, 2022 in the amount of \$4,936.83, December 28, 2022 in the amount of \$107.15, and December 30, 2022 in the amount of \$283,852.95.
- B. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2022
- C. Approval of the 2023 Employee Pay Schedule
- D. Approval of Amendment to Service Abandonment Agreement for APN 245-120-24
- E. Approval of Amendment to Service Abandonment Agreement for APN 245-230-23
- F. Approval of Master Encroachment Agreement with Modesto Irrigation District

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Spyksma to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

AYES: HOLBROOK KAMPER ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

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COMMUNICATIONS

Item #1 – Directors’ Reports

Director Holbrook shared about a recent trip to Tennessee where he experienced pleasant snowy weather. He commented on the high water level of the Sacramento River which he viewed from above, as he was flying back into California.

Director Spyksma wished all a happy new year and expressed enthusiasm to move forward in 2023.

Director Spyksma shared about a recent opportunity he had to build houses for disadvantaged communities in Mexico, and commented on the camaraderie that was forged between strangers who came together for a common good. He opined that District group activities for the betterment of our local communities would allow for team building among SSJID staff.

Director Kamper wished all a happy new year and expressed pleasure for the recent, much needed, rain events. He mentioned a recent observation of the “FCOC” (French Camp Outlet Canal), which is nearing its full capacity.

Director Spyksma suggested clarification of the acronym “FCOC” in consideration of newly elected Director Roos. Mr. Rietkerk explained the French Camp Outlet Canal, its location, and usage.

Director Roos wished all a happy new year and expressed excitement to begin his term as the SSJID Board Director for Division 1.

Director Weststeyn reported that he attended an SSJID, Oakdale Irrigation District (OID), and Tri-Dam Project meeting, on December 22, regarding the Goodwin Reservoir Annual Budget Review.

Director Weststeyn shared about a recent family trip to Yosemite National Park, and commented on the full cascades of the Hetch Hetchy waterfalls.

Item #2 – Various Reports

Mr. Rietkerk provided detailed hydrology updates to the Board, as of January 9, 2023, including the San Joaquin Precipitation 5-Station Index registering at 162-percent (162%) of average to date, and the inflows and releases out of Tulloch Reservoir to maintain flood control. He stated that the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin 120 Report will be released in February, and the California Nevada River Forecast Center (CNRFC) of the Stanislaus – New Melones Dam is registering at 90-percent (90%) exceedance.

Mr. Rietkerk noted a recent email to the Board, sent the week of January 3, regarding New Director Orientation for Director Roos, which includes meetings with Senior Leaders explaining District business, projects, finances, operations, water resources, the Water Treatment Plant (WTP), public relations, etc. He noted that all Directors are invited to attend the orientation meetings, but to be mindful of attendance numbers to avoid violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act by inadvertently assembling a quorum. Directors interested in participating should contact Danielle Barney, SSJID Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board, so she can coordinate the number of Director participants.

Mr. Rietkerk reported that negotiations have reopened between SSJID and IBEW General Unit for the 2023 Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) due to the Consumer Price Index exceeding the 4.5-percent trigger over the last twelve (12) months.

Mr. Rietkerk stated that the Senior Leaders are identifying 2023 goals and resources, including the upcoming Proposition 218 process regarding District rates. The Prop. 218 process will be discussed in further detail under Agenda Item #8.

Mr. Rietkerk stated that discussions have opened with Mr. Scot Moody, OID General Manager; and Mr. Eric Thorburn, OID Water Operations Manager, regarding the SSJID/OID 1987 Agreement of shared responsibilities and maintenance of the Joint Supply Canal (JSC), South Main, and North Main. Intent is to update the agreement and clearly identify maintenance responsibilities and cost share to maintain the JSC. Currently, maintenance of the JSC is being solely provided

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by SSJID. Negotiations are progressing smoothly. Board discussion included the current cost share of OID 28-percent (28%) and SSJID 72-percent (72%), and the current condition of the JSC due to the recent rain events.

Mr. Forrest Killingsworth, SSJID Engineering Department Manager, provided an update of the District's water systems in light of the recent heavy rain. District crews are continuously monitoring the system and remain busy clearing drains, with additional staff on standby should an emergency situation occur. Localized flooding has occurred on the FCOC, with canal breaches in several locations which had been anticipated based on the recent FCOC Master Plan Study. The inundated areas are agricultural or currently fallowed land, with minor erosion occurring on both sides of the bank. Mr. Killingsworth added the Mr. Chad Parsons, SSJID Associate Civil Engineer, conducted a drone inspection to view the current condition of the JSC and Main Supply Canal (MSC).

Mr. Parsons provided a PowerPoint presentation of photographs depicting small and large boulders that had fallen into the canals, loose dirt and debris that had slid into the canals, and trees fallen over and/or into the canals. Mr. Killingsworth noted that the pictured incidents occurred in areas that had previously been identified as hazardous, and that an especially hazardous area downstream of the Copper Tunnel held up very well due to the substantial rockslope maintenance work performed in recent years. Mr. Parsons reported that erosion damage has occurred to the Frankenheimer Road culvert at the MSC Bypass which will need to be addressed by Stanislaus County. Mr. Killingsworth stated that Mr. Parsons is planning a follow-up drone inspection by January 13, weather permitting; maintenance activity in the JSC is currently limited for the safety of staff; and crews are on schedule with winter maintenance in preparation for the upcoming irrigation season.

Board discussion included record keeping of Woodward Reservoir inflow and outflow data, which could be beneficial for DWR Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) reporting.

ACTION CALENDAR

Item #3 – Discuss and Approve Appointments to Outside Boards, Commissions and Committees; and District Committees

Director Weststeyn stated that the 2023 proposed Board appointments were provided in Item #3 of the agenda packet. He noted Appointment #8 – Other Assignments regarding the South San Joaquin Groundwater Sustainability Agency. He asked for the Board's opinion of appointing an outside party, namely Mr. Robert Holmes, as an SSJID representative on the South San Joaquin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SSJGSA), and the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority (ESJGWA) due to his vast knowledge of current and past water issues, and the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), as well as past experience on the SSJGSA and ESJGWA boards. Director Weststeyn proposed that the potential appointment of Mr. Holmes could be a one (1) year duration. The Board concurred that the suggestion was a good idea adding that Mr. Holmes has a lot of background to share.

Ms. Mia Brown, SSJID Legal Counsel, stated that she is working through the logistics of an outside party appointment but did not foresee any obstacles. Mr. Rietkerk noted that the ESJGWA had been removed from the 2023 list of SSJID Board of Directors Committee Appointments explaining that the District has the ability to appoint to the SSJGSA, but the SSJGSA appoints to the ESJGWA. It was mentioned that the next scheduled regular meeting of the SSJGSA Board of Directors is tentatively scheduled for January 18, and that Mr. Holmes should attend.

Additional Board discussion included that appointments for Director Roos will increase in his second year term.

Board appointments of Directors to outside boards, commissions and committees; and to District committees are as follows:

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Board of Directors Committee Appointments
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- 1) TRI-DAM PROJECT & TRI-DAM POWER AUTHORITY: President and Vice President - Directors Weststeyn & Spyksma
- 2) BUDGET & FINANCIAL: Directors Weststeyn & Spyksma
- 3) INSURANCE & SAFETY: Director Holbrook (alternate Director Roos)
- 4) PERSONNEL: Directors Holbrook & Weststeyn (alternate Director Kamper)
- 5) EQUIPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY: Directors Kamper & Weststeyn (alternate Director Spyksma)
- 6) PUBLIC RELATIONS: Directors Holbrook & Weststeyn
- 7) COMMUNITY RELATIONS:
 - Manteca - Directors Holbrook & Weststeyn
 - Ripon - Directors Kamper & Spyksma
 - Escalon - Directors Roos & Kamper
 - SJ County Advisory Water Commission (County Appointment) – Director Holbrook (alternate Director Weststeyn)
- 8) OTHER ASSIGNMENTS:
 - Domestic Water Issues - Directors Weststeyn & Spyksma
 - Agricultural Water Issues - Directors Roos & Kamper
 - San Joaquin River Tributaries Authority - Director Spyksma (alternate Director Weststeyn)
 - South San Joaquin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SSJGSA) – Directors Weststeyn, Spyksma & Kamper
- 9) TRADE COMMITTEE DELEGATES:
 - ACWA, ACWA JPIA – Directors Spyksma (alternate Director Holbrook)
 - APPA – Directors Holbrook & Kamper
 - CSDA – Directors Weststeyn & Roos
 - CMUA – Directors Holbrook & Roos
- 10) Appointment of BOARD OFFICERS for the following positions:
 - a) President – Mike Weststeyn – effective December 13, 2022
 - b) Vice-President – Glenn Spyksma – effective December 13, 2022
- 11) Appointment of DISTRICT OFFICERS as follows; effective December 13, 2022
 - a) Secretary – General Manager Peter M. Rietkerk
 - b) Assessor, Treasurer, & Collector – Finance and Administration Manager Sonya Williams
 - c) Assistant Treasurer – Assistant Finance and Administration Manager Sarah Bloom

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Spyksma and seconded by Director Roos to approve the 2023 Board appointments to outside boards, commissions and committees; and District committees as presented; and authorize the Board President to make the proposed outside appointment as necessary.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

AYES:	HOLBROOK KAMPER ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

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Item #4 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 23-02-Q Authorizing the Disposition of Property No Longer Necessary for District Purposes

Mr. James Ferguson, SSJID Shop Department Supervisor, addressed the Board regarding the disposition of surplus property, and stated that all items listed on the resolution have been replaced, and are no longer being utilized or needed. He noted that the three (3) pieces of earth-moving equipment will be auctioned off by JJ Kane Auctioneers at an 8-percent (8%) fee, and the remaining equipment will be auctioned off by Mulrooney Auction Company at a 10-percent (10%) fee.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Kamper to adopt Resolution 23-02-Q Authorizing the Disposition of Property No Longer Necessary for District Purposes.

**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION No. 23-02-Q**

**AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY
NO LONGER NECESSARY FOR DISTRICT PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District (“District”) may sell as “surplus property” for valuable consideration, any property of the District which is determined to be no longer necessary for District purposes; and

WHEREAS, the following personal property is no longer needed for District purposes, and is deemed to be surplus:

<u>Qty</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Purchase Date</u>	<u>Serial/Asset Number</u>
1	CAT IT-18 Loader (T0)	1/1/92	36-92
1	CAT D4 Dozer (T1)	1/1/99	46-99
1	Bobcat T-250 Loader (T2)	1/1/05	W-48-05
1	H-Frame Press 60ton	N/A	N/A
1	Stick Welder	N/A	N/A
1	Metal Welding Table	N/A	N/A
1	Portable Pressure Washer	N/A	N/A
2	100 gal. Plastic Water Tank	N/A	N/A
1	60 gal. Plastic Water Tank	N/A	N/A
3	Lincoln Battery Grease Gun	Varied	N/A

and

WHEREAS, the Board finds it in the best interests of the District to dispose of the above-listed property by sale, using reasonable efforts to obtain the best possible sales-price.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED, the Board of Directors authorizes the District Shop Supervisor to use his professional judgement in determining the most appropriate means of effectuating a sale of said property at the best possible sales price, including, but not limited to: sale at public or on-line auction; placing equipment with a dealer for consignment sale; sale by published advertisement and receipt of sealed bids; and/or sale for salvage or scrap value.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of January 2023 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: HOLBROOK KAMPER ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

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Item #5 – Consider Approval of the SSJID Water Master Plan

Removed from the Action Calendar per staff request and Board approval.

Item #6 – Discuss and Consider Approval of Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Davids Engineering, Inc., for Task Order No. 5 – SSJID Water Information System Support for 2022

Mr. Brandon Nakagawa, SSJID Water Resources Coordinator, addressed the Board regarding approval of the amendment to the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Davids Engineering, Inc. (Davids) for Task Order No. 5. He explained that Task Order No. 5 with Davids, approved by Board action on January 24, 2022, was to further work on SSJID’s Water Information System (WIS), intended to be a repository for key data collected using SCADA instrumentation and gauges throughout the District. Mr. Nakagawa further explained that staff and Davids were unable to initiate or complete the work as planned. If approved, the amendment would enable Davids to reinstate the work with an amended completion date of December 31, 2023.

Mr. Nakagawa provided an explanation of the WIS Conceptual Plan (Plan), and a key element identified in the Plan to perform quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) on raw data being used and analyzed which is necessary to accurately perform the District’s annual water balance calculation, monthly and annual water right reporting to the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), and prepare the annual report required by SGMA. Currently, staff collects, retrieves, and processes data manually as the need for data arises. Davids proposes to assist SSJID in the documenting and steps needed to turn the raw data into a publishable format that has been QA/QC’d. Also described was the “water balance,” defined as a tool to measure the efficiency of the District’s irrigation system, its water supply, and losses due to evaporation or seepage.

Fiscal impact will be a total not-to-exceed amount of \$46,492.00, which remains unchanged from the proposal provided in 2022. The work would be funded by the District’s approved 2023 Engineering Expense Budget.

Staff recommended Board approval of the amendment to the PSA with Davids for Task Order No. 5 – SSJID WIS Support for 2022.

Board discussion included the growers’ need to access the SCADA system to monitor the water flowing through their pumps, and to consider changing the completion date from December 31, 2023 to October 31, 2023 to accommodate any unforeseen issues or delays.

Mr. Killingsworth commented that the information provided by Davids will be a valuable engineering tool of reliable data utilized for future years. He emphasized that if the WIS program is implemented, there will be a demand for additional staffing resources which may create a need for additional positions.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Kamper to approve the Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Davids Engineering, Inc., for Task Order No. 5 – SSJID Water Information System Support for 2022, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$46,492.00.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

AYES:	HOLBROOK KAMPER ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

Item #7 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 23-01-F Update Signature Card with Financial Institution

Ms. Sonya Williams, SSJID Finance and Administration Manager, addressed the Board and explained that the resolution is required to add Director David Roos as a signatory to co-sign checks for and on behalf of the District.

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MOTION: A motion was made by Director Kamper and seconded by Director Spyksma to adopt Resolution 23-01-F Update Signature Card with Financial Institution.

**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION 23-01-F**

UPDATE SIGNATURE CARD WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 10, 2023

WHEREAS, David Roos has filled the position of Director, and

WHEREAS, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District (District) must update its signature cards with its financial institutions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that any one of the following named Directors:

John Holbrook
David Roos
Dave Kamper
Glenn Spyksma
Mike Weststeyn

and any one of the following named District staff:

Peter M. Rietkerk, General Manager and Secretary
Sonya Williams, Finance & Administration Manager and Assistant Secretary
Sarah Bloom, Assistant Finance & Administration Manager

are authorized to co-sign checks for and on behalf of the District drawn on the District's checking account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any one of the above noted staff is authorized to sign payroll checks, drafts, direct deposits, ACH transactions, and wires drawn on the District's checking account, or other orders for and on behalf of the District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of January 2023 by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	HOLBROOK KAMPER ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

Item #8 – Consider Release of Request for Proposal for Consultant to Assist SSJID with Proposition 218 Rate Setting Process

Ms. Williams addressed the Board regarding a proposed Request for Proposal (RFP) for a consultant to assist SSJID with the Prop. 218 process. She stated that upon completion and adoption of the SSJID Water Master Plan (WMP), by Board action on December 13, 2022, issues were identified with the ongoing revenue projections under the current rate structure. The financial analysis of the WMP included a recommendation for reasonable rate increases for irrigation customers. The next step will be the development and implementation of a water rate study as part of the legally-mandated Prop. 218 process that must be adhered to before raising rates.

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Ms. Williams provided a detailed explanation of the rate study which will determine the most appropriate rate structure for the District's water rates and charges, with consideration to current and future revenue requirements, water consumption and conservation, impacts of regulation, drought conditions, and other factors. She added that the rate study will provide staff information sufficient to support a future recommendation to the Board for adjustments in rates for irrigation operations.

Ms. Williams explained the timeline of the Prop. 218 process including an anticipated 3 ½ months needed for development of the rate study; the June 2, 2023 deadline to mail out constituent ballots informing of the proposed rate increase; 45-day public notice; public hearing; and the deadline of August 10, 2023, to notify the San Joaquin County Assessor's Office of the potential rate increase for the 2024-2025 tax roll. She further explained three (3) options regarding the RFP process including: 1) Utilize the existing SSJID Master Services Agreement requesting a revised task order; 2) Release a modified Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to a select few candidates; or 3) Release a formal RFP. Ms. Brown clarified that a RFP is not required for professional service and staff may seek a single consultant.

Mr. Rietkerk stated that due to the time constraints of the Prop. 218 process, and deadline to submit the rate increase to the County, a limited search for a consultant is preferred. He added the Ms. Williams has experience and knowledge of the Prop. 218 process which will be beneficial in streamlining the necessary tasks at hand.

Staff recommended that the Board provide authorization to staff to do all things necessary and proper to identify a qualified consultant to develop a comprehensive rate study for the District's irrigation rate structuring and possible future increases, and negotiate terms of a professional services agreement with said consultant. Staff will seek Board approval of a final PSA retaining the services of the selected consultant at a future board meeting.

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Spyksma and seconded by Director Holbrook to authorize staff to do all things necessary and proper to identify a qualified consultant to develop a comprehensive rate study for the District's irrigation rate structuring and possible future increases, and negotiate terms of a PSA with said consultant.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

AYES:	HOLBROOK KAMPER ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

The next item(s) to be taken up following Closed Session.

Item #9 – Consider Approval of Water Transfer Agreement Between SSJID, Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) and Banta Carbona Irrigation District (BCID); and Adoption of Resolution 23-03-W Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID, OID and BCID

It was announced that all items on the Closed Session agenda would be discussed. The Board took a brief recess at 10:10 a.m. and convened to Closed Session at 10:20 a.m.

Item #10 – CLOSED SESSION

- 10. a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
 - Initiation to litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
 - 3 cases

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- b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
 - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
 - 4 cases

- c. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
 - Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9
 - 9 cases

SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY, et al., vs. CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
County of Sacramento Superior Court
Case No. JCCP 5013

SAN JOAQUIN TRIBUTARIES AUTHORITY vs. CALIFORNIA STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD (2021 Curtailment Case)
County of Fresno Superior Court
Case No. 21CDCG02632

SSJID vs. PG&E
Appeal from Judgment of Dismissal Pending:
In the Court of Appeal for the State of California, Third Appellate District
Case No. C086319
Superior Court for San Joaquin County
Case No. STK-CV-UED-2016-0006638

SSJID vs. Lakeview Ranch Partners
Superior Court for Stanislaus County
Case No. 2028441

California Sportfishing Protection Alliance vs. Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Authority et al.
Superior Court of Stanislaus County
Case No. CV-20-001720

Jana Lynn Woodbridge Apartments, LLC vs. South San Joaquin Irrigation District
San Joaquin County Superior Court
Case No. STK-CV-UPI-2021-0002339

Dave Hegarty vs. SSJID et al.
San Joaquin County Superior Court
Case No. STK-CU-UF-2021-0002552

Department of Transportation vs. Fassler et al.
San Joaquin County Superior Court
Case No. STK-CV-UED-2022-0000584

Ricky and Linda Hogan et al v. SSJID
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Case No. STK-CV-UPI-2022-0011003

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d. Conference with Real Property Negotiator

California Government Code Section 54656.8

- i. Property: Water
Negotiating Parties: Oakdale Irrigation District, Chicken Ranch Rancheria Band of Me-Wuk Indians, Stockton East Water District, South Delta Water Agency, Banta Carbona Irrigation District, and other potential unknown parties
District Negotiator: General Manager
Terms: Price and terms of payment of sale

- ii. Property: Woodward Reservoir
Negotiating Parties: Stanislaus County
District Negotiator: General Manager
Under Negotiation: Grant of License

- iii. Property: French Camp Outlet Canal Regulation Reservoir
Negotiating Parties: Maan Gurvinder S
District Negotiator: General Manager
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment of sale

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 12:21 p.m.

Item #11 – ANNOUNCEMENT OF REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Disclosure of reportable actions taken in Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.1:
There were no reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

Item #9 – Consider Approval of Water Transfer Agreement Between SSJID, Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) and Banta Carbona Irrigation District (BCID); and Adoption of Resolution 23-03-W Water Transfer Agreement By and Between OID, SSJID and BCID

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Roos and seconded by Director Holbrook to adopt Resolution 23-03-W Water Transfer Agreement By and Between Oakdale Irrigation District, South San Joaquin Irrigation District, and Banta-Carbona Irrigation District.

**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION 23-03-W**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A TEMPORARY WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT,
SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AND
BANTA-CARBONA IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Oakdale Irrigation District and South San Joaquin Irrigation District (collectively called “Districts”) are California irrigation districts operating under and by virtue of Division 11 of the California Water Code; and

WHEREAS, Districts are the owners of certain senior water rights to the waters of the Stanislaus River, including pre-1914 appropriative water rights as recognized by the 1988 Agreement and Stipulation with the Bureau of Reclamation; and

WHEREAS, Banta-Carbona Irrigation District (“BCID”) is a California irrigation district operating under and by virtue of Division 11 of the California Water Code; and

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WHEREAS, BCID has pre-1914 rights to the San Joaquin River, and holds a contract with the Bureau of Reclamation for water delivery from the Central Valley Project; and

WHEREAS, BCID intends to obtain additional surface water for use within its boundaries and reducing the extraction of groundwater, and to assist their landowners, water users and water purveyors in obtaining a safe and reliable water supply; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Directors has determined that surplus water is available for temporary transfer for the 2023 calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Districts shall be lead agencies for purposes of complying with the California Environmental Quality act (CEQA) and will file the applicable notice of exemption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South San Joaquin Irrigation District Board of Directors does hereby approve an agreement for the transfer of water by between Oakdale Irrigation District, South San Joaquin Irrigation District and Banta-Carbona Irrigation District, and authorizes the General Manager to sign the agreement upon negotiation of final terms as directed by this Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2023 by the following vote:

AYES:	HOLBROOK KAMPER ROOS SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

Item #12 – ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

ATTEST:

Danielle Barney, Clerk of the Board