

**MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 8, 2022  
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 Holmes called the meeting to order and led the flag salute. Upon roll-call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS:           HOLBROOK HOLMES KAMPER SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN  
ABSENT:               NONE

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

**Public Comment** – None

**PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing was conducted regarding draft maps for proposed voting district boundaries based on 2020 census data pursuant to the Fair Map Act (California Election Code §§2200 et seq).

Ms. Katie Patterson, SSJID Public and Government Relations Manager, addressed the Board and explained that the format of the public hearing will include the opening, direction from the Board and staff, time limits and rules, and presentation of district scenarios. Ms. Patterson introduced Ms. Ruth McColly, Senior GIS Analyst, FLO Analytics (FLO), who was attending via the online Zoom meeting platform.

- a. Opening of Public Hearing – Director Holmes opened the public hearing at 9:07 a.m.
- b. Remarks of the President and of District Counsel
- c. Adoption of Time Limits and Other Rules for Conduct of Public Hearing – Ms. Mia Brown, SSJID General Counsel, noted the 5-minute time limit per speaker for the public comment portion of the public hearing, and stated that the Board would entertain questions following the presentation portion of the public hearing.
- d. Presentation by Demographers Regarding Mapping Methodology and Draft Division Maps – Ms. McColly addressed the Board and displayed a PowerPoint presentation detailing FLO’s redistricting experience, the redistricting process, redistricting principles, and redistricting analysis. She provided detailed explanations of the analysis process including balancing populations, boundaries, voting rights, demographics, and redistricting requirements by law and recommendations. Ms. McColly displayed slides depicting Redistricting Scenarios 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 and thoroughly explained the proposed directors’ voting division boundaries and variances.
- e. Questions from the Board – The Board requested clarification of the district boundaries versus census boundaries as depicted on the displayed maps.
- f. Public Comments – None
- g. Close of Public Hearing – Director Holmes closed the public hearing at 9:28 a.m.
- h. Board Direction to Staff – The Board directed staff to confer with FLO, and review Scenarios 1, 2, 3, and 4 for presentation and final decision at the public hearing scheduled for March 22, 2022.

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**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- A. Approval of Checks in the amount of \$111,064.01; Accounts Payable Wires in the amount of \$257,317.39; and Payroll dated February 25, 2022 in the amount of \$232,974.58, and February 25, 2022 in the amount of \$5,080.38.
  
- B. Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2022  
  
Director Kamper noted a correction be made to page 14, Item 3, Board Vote, AYES: Holbrook, Holmes, Spyksma, Weststeyn; NOES: Kamper. *Corrected from reading AYES: Holbrook, Holmes, Kamper, Spyksma, Weststeyn; NOES: None.*
  
- C. Approval of Consent to SSJID’s Entry of Property to Read and to Maintain Flow Meter, APN 197-120-43
  
- D. Approval of Consent to SSJID’s Entry of Property to Read and to Maintain Flow Meter, APN 208-150-23
  
- E. Approval of Consent to SSJID’s Entry of Property to Read and to Maintain Flow Meter, APN 226-110-15

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Director Weststeyn and seconded by Director Holbrook to approve the Consent Calendar as amended.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Item #1 – Directors’ Reports**

Director Spyksma reported that he attended the Finance Committee meetings on February 22, and March 2. Discussion included review of the Water Master Plan (WMP) financial modeling and rates, which will be presented at a future board meeting.

Director Kamper remarked that he was pleased with the start of the 2022 water season.

Director Kamper reported that he attended the Tri-Dam Advisory meeting on March 7.

Director Weststeyn stated that he was pleased with the start of the 2022 irrigation season.

Director Weststeyn noted a constituent inquiry regarding SSJID’s water conservation efforts within the District.

Director Weststeyn reported that he attended a Public Relations Committee meeting on March 3. Business included the review and vetting of proposals for communications and public relations services. The top three (3) candidates were selected for the interview process scheduled for March 14.

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Director Holbrook reported that he attended the Public Relations Committee meeting on March 3.

Director Holbrook noted upcoming conferences which may be of interest to the Board including the Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) 2022 Spring Safety Day, California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA) 2022 Water and Power Conference, Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) 2022 Spring Conference, American Public Power Association (APPA) 2022 National Conference, Hydrovision International 2022 Annual Conference, and the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) 2022 Annual Conference. He stated the importance of Board and staff participation at the SDRMA Spring Safety Day for eligibility of discounts on the District's insurance premiums with SDRMA. Director Holmes requested that Ms. Danielle Barney, SSJID Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board, or Ms. Patterson summarize the conferences and provide a list to the Board for review.

Director Holmes reported that he attended the following meetings:

- Finance Committee meetings on February 22 and March 2
- Tri-Dam Advisory meeting on March 7

Director Holmes announced the Tri-Dam Board meeting on March 17, at Oakdale Irrigation District (OID) to be followed by the Oakdale Chamber's 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Agriculture Scholarship Luncheon.

Director Holmes commented positively on the start of irrigation season.

**Item #2 – Various Reports**

*The Managers' Reports were provided in written form to the Board on March 7, 2022.*

Director Holmes addressed Mr. Ed Erisman, Water Treatment Plant (WTP) Manager, regarding the format and detail provided in the WTP Manager's Report dated March 8, 2022 and opined on the informative content. Mr. Erisman responded via the online Zoom meeting platform, that he will provide the more detailed format on the manager's report submitted for the first board meeting of every month.

Mr. Peter Rietkerk, SSJID General Manager, addressed the Board via the online Zoom meeting platform and provided updates of discussions held at the San Joaquin Tributaries Authority (SJTA) Manager's meetings, and discussion regarding the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) water supply projections.

Mr. Rietkerk noted being mindful of water conservation, and the District's water conservation account, current water supply, and senior water rights.

Ms. Katie Patterson, announced the upcoming Give Every Child A Chance "Red, White & Brew Wine and Beerfest" on March 19. As a sponsor of the event, the District has received six (6) entry tickets. Directors interested in attending should contact Ms. Patterson.

Ms. Patterson announced the upcoming LOVE Ripon event on April 30, whereby local volunteers give back by engaging in a variety of organized community projects, city parks or schools projects, among other opportunities. Mr. Joe Hasten, SSJID Irrigation Services Supervisor, and Ms. Julie Minton, SSJID Customer Services Representative, will assist in the coordination of SSJID volunteers and the LOVE Ripon project list(s). All staff and their families are welcome to participate.

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**ACTION CALENDAR**

**Item #3 – Consider Approval of Proposal for Water Treatment Plant Beds #1 and #2 Recaulking Project**

Mr. Charles Galea, WTP Chief Plant Operator, addressed the Board via the online Zoom meeting platform regarding the WTP drying beds #1 and #2 recaulking project. He explained that recaulking is recommended every ten (10) years to maintain the integrity of the caulking, and that the beds were last recaulked in 2011. Following a recent inspection, it was determined that the caulking had deteriorated in several areas of the beds and was in need of replacement. Mr. Galea further explained the recaulking project will keep the WTP in compliance with the California State Water Resources Control Board.

Staff requested bids from several qualified companies resulting in receipt of the three (3) proposals.

Staff recommended Board award of the contract to Western Specialty Contractors as the lowest bidder (\$72,293.00) for the removal and re-caulking of the WTP drying beds #1 and #2. There is sufficient funding in the Outside Services 2022 budget.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Kamper to award the contract to Western Specialty Contractors for the removal and recaulking of the WTP drying beds #1 and #2 for the amount of \$72,293.00.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

**Item #4 – Consider Approval to Purchase District Vehicles and Assorted Equipment**

Mr. James Ferguson, SSJID Shop Department Supervisor, addressed the Board requesting approval of the District’s vehicle and equipment purchases for 2022. Mr. Ferguson provided detailed descriptions of each vehicle and equipment recommended for Board approval, as well as details of the proposals received.

Staff recommended Board approval for the 2022 vehicle and equipment purchases for:

Three (3) F150 pickups from Haidlen Ford for a combined cost of:	\$119,233.88
One (1) F350 Reg Cab 60CA 4X4 chassis equipped w/10’ flatbed:	\$55,470.59
One (1) F350 Crew Cab 60CA DRW chassis equipped w/10’ flatbed:	\$56,101.19
One (1) F600 Reg Cab 84CA chassis equipped w/11’ truck body:	\$74,823.54
One (1) John Deere 210L EP tractor loader from Pape’ Machinery:	\$102,080.98
One (1) Atlas Copco XAS188 compressor from Pape’ Machinery:	\$24,155.70
One (1) Kubota SVL-97 2HFC compact track loader from Garton Tractor:	\$86,771.04
<b>Total for 2022MY Vehicle &amp; Equipment Purchases:</b>	<b>\$518,636.92</b>

The Board discussed looking into Ford F-150 Hybrids for future vehicle purchases, as well as the various grants and incentives provided by the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District to which Mr. Ferguson responded that he would research for any applicable programs that the District may be eligible for.

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**MOTION:** A motion was made by Director Kamper and seconded by Director Weststeyn to approve the 2022 purchases of District vehicles and equipment, as listed above, for a total amount of \$518,636.92.

The motion passed 5 to 0 by the following vote:

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

**Item #5 – Consider Approval for Purchase of Ironworker Machine**

Mr. Ferguson addressed the Board requesting approval to purchase a Piranha Ironworker P65. He explained that the item was adopted in the 2022 budget by Board action on November 23, 2021, at an original price of \$29,487. Mr. Ferguson further explained that during the process of locating and ordering the machine, it was discovered that the price of the machine and shipping costs had increased by \$4,637.64. In addition, the \$3,768.70 cost of materials, supplies, and labor to wire and set-up the machine for operation was not included in the 2022 budget.

Mr. Ferguson noted the benefits the machine will provide to the welding and fabrication department including increased production and more consistent quality of work. The total budget increase is \$8,406.34, with a revised total project cost of \$37,893.34.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Director Kamper and seconded by Director Holbrook to approve the purchase of the ironworker machine with an increased total budget cost of \$8,406.34, for a revised total project cost of \$37,893.34.

The motion passed 4 to 1 by the following vote:

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

**Item #6 – Consider Approval of the SSJID Irrigation Service Abandonment Agreement, APN 247-220-29**

Mr. Forrest Killingsworth, SSJID Engineering Department Manager, addressed the Board and stated the request is a standard service abandonment agreement requiring Board approval.

Board discussion included the parcel outline and formatting issues on the San Joaquin County Assessor’s Map Book 247, Page 22; groundwater recharge and effects of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act; exemption from groundwater recharge fees for parcels less than ten (10) acres; and consideration of a District moratorium of all Service Abandonment Agreement requests and subsequent notification(s) of any such moratorium.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Kamper to approve the SSJID Service Abandonment Agreement for APN 247-220-29.

The motion passed 4 to 1 by the following vote:

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

*The Board took a brief recess at 10:17 a.m. and reconvened to Open Session at 10:28 a.m.*

**Item #7 – Presentation of the Preliminary Water Master Plan Capital Improvement Program**

Mr. Killingsworth addressed the Board regarding the WMP Capital Improvement Program (CIP). He prefaced his presentation by providing history of the WMP, begun in 2017-2018, and development of the CIP as a component to manage the replacement and improvement of District facilities and infrastructure. Mr. Killingsworth explained that the presentation would review the Comprehensive Project List; review and describe CIP options for financial modeling; review the schedule of expenditures; provide an overview of the District-wide Capacity Analysis; and summarize projected results. He further explained that the financial components will be presented at a future board meeting.

Provided were thorough details of the list of capital projects including project descriptions, implementation schedule, estimated costs, priority ranking, and estimated on-going expenses. Also identified was the CIP structure to categorize projects into five (5) groups named 1) Bare Minimum; 2) Maintain Service; 3) Tier 1 Improvements; 4) Tier 2 Improvements; and 5) Tier 3 Improvements. For each of the five (5) project “groups,” Mr. Killingsworth explained its key components, primary project list, and summary of anticipated expenditures for annual averages and 30-year costs.

Mr. Killingsworth displayed slides depicting the District-wide Capacity Analysis and provided detailed explanations of the Distribution Service Areas (DSA); Service Ratio including crop demand versus supply capacity, improvements and future objectives, and project identification; and Mapping identifying existing conditions, annexations, future conditions with no infrastructure improvements, improved future conditions with infrastructure improvements, improved future conditions depicting all groundwater users converted to surface water, and projection of improvements if all projects were implemented today.

Mr. Killingsworth concluded his presentation and acknowledged Mr. Chad Parsons, SSJID Associate Civil Engineer, and Mr. Anthony Podesto, SSJID GIS/Engineering Technician for their contributions of data collection, mapping research, and information.

*The next items were taken up following Closed Session.*

**Item #8 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 22-08-W Approving a Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID and South Delta Water Agency; and Adoption of Resolution 22-09-W Approving a California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption**

**Item #9 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 22-10-W Approving a Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID and Stockton East Water District; and Adoption of Resolution 22-11-W Approving a California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption**

*It was announced that all items listed in the Closed Session agenda would be discussed. The Board took a brief recess at 11:45 a.m. and convened to Closed Session at 12:00 p.m.*

**Item #10 – CLOSED SESSION**

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

*PG&E vs. San Joaquin LAFCo; SSJID, Real Party in Interest*  
In the Court of Appeal for the State of California, Third Appellate District  
Case No. C086008  
Superior Court for San Joaquin County  
Case No. STK-CV-UJR-2015-0001266

*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  
STK-CV-UPI-2021-0002339

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*Dave Hegarty vs. SSJID et al.*  
San Joaquin County Superior Court  
STK-CU-UF-2021-0002552

*Department of Transportation vs. Fassler et al.*  
San Joaquin County Superior Court  
STK-CV-UED-2022-0000584

*Department of Transportation vs. Fassler et al.*  
San Joaquin County Superior Court  
STK-CV-UED-2022-0000627

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, and Other Potential Parties Unknown  
       District Negotiator:     General Manager  
       Terms:                     Price and terms of payment of sale
  
- ii.    Property:                     Water  
       Negotiating Parties:     Oakdale Irrigation District, Stockton East Water District, and Other Potential Parties Unknown  
       District Negotiator:     General Manager  
       Terms:                     Price and terms of payment of sale
  
- iii.   Property:                     Water  
       Negotiating Parties:     Oakdale Irrigation District, South Delta Water Agency, and Other Potential Parties Unknown  
       District Negotiator:     General Manager  
       Terms:                     Price and terms of payment of sale
  
- iv.    Property:                     Woodward Reservoir  
       Negotiating Parties:     Stanislaus County  
       District Negotiator:     General Manager  
       Under Negotiation:       Grant of License
  
- v.     Property:                     APN 198-040-130  
       Negotiating Parties:     Scannell Properties #478, LLC  
       District Negotiator:     General Manager  
       Under Negotiation:       Price and terms of payment of sale

e. Labor Negotiations

California Government Code Section 54957.6  
Agency Negotiator: General Manager  
Employee Organization: IBEW Local 1245

f. Public Employment

California Government Code Section 94957(b)(1)  
Classifications: Assistant General Manager, Finance Administration Manager



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- g. Public Employment  
California Government Code Section 94957(b)(1)  
Classifications: Legal Counsel

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

*The Board reconvened to Open Session at 1:27 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.

*The next items were taken up following Closed Session in Open Session.*

**Item #8 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 22-08-W Approving a Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID and South Delta Water Agency; and Adoption of Resolution 22-09-W Approving a California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Director Holbrook and seconded by Director Weststeyn to adopt Resolution 22-08-W Approving a Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID and South Delta Water Agency, and Resolution 22-09-W Approving a California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption; direct the General Manager to negotiate final terms as directed by the SSJID Board of Directors; authorize the General Manager to sign the agreement; and direct staff to complete all necessary filings and tasks required to effectuate the transfer.

**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION 22-08-W**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT  
BY AND BETWEEN SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND  
SOUTH DELTA WATER AGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District is a California irrigation district operating under and by virtue of Division 11 of the California Water Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District, along with Oakdale Irrigation District, are co-owners of certain water rights 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**, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District provides limited drainage services and is the owner and operator of a number of groundwater wells; and

**WHEREAS**, South Delta Water Agency is a California public agency, set forth in Act 1270, California Water Code, Uncodified Acts; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District Board of Directors entered into a water transfer agreement with South Delta Water Agency totaling 366 acre-feet; and

**WHEREAS**, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District Board of Directors has determined that water surplus to District demands is available for sale in the water year ending September 30, 2022.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the South San Joaquin Irrigation District Board of Directors does hereby approve a water transfer agreement with the South Delta Water Agency 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022 by the following vote:

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

**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION NO. 22-09-W**

**APPROVAL OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT NOTICE OF  
EXEMPTION FOR WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN  
SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND  
SOUTH DELTA WATER AGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District (SSJID) is a California irrigation district operating under and by virtue of Division 11 of the California Water Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the SSJID, along with Oakdale Irrigation District, 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**, the SSJID provides limited drainage services and is the owner and operator of a number of groundwater wells; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Delta Water Agency (SDWA) is a California public agency, set forth in Act 1270, California Water Code, Uncodified Acts; and

**WHEREAS**, SSJID adopted Resolution 22-08-W, approving a water transfer agreement by and between SSJID and the SDWA for the water year ending September 30, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed transfer (Project) would utilize existing drainage, water conveyance and diversion infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Project has been determined by the Board of Directors to be categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) based on the ongoing operation exemption in 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15261; projects designed to protect the environment (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15307); no change or expansion of existing diversion and pumping facilities (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15301); and on the basis that there is no possibility that release of the subject water into the Stanislaus River for re-diversion in the South Delta in this water year will cause any significant impacts in the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, SSJID and SDWA are located in San Joaquin County; and

**WHEREAS**, SSJID is the custodian of documents or other material which constitute the record of proceedings upon which this Board's decision is based, and SSJID's Main Office is the location of this record.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by this Board of Directors that:

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1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. The proposed Project has been determined to be categorically exempt from CEQA based on the ongoing operation exemption in 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15261; projects designed to protect the environment (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15307); no change or expansion of existing diversion and pumping facilities (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15301); no negative effect on the environment.
3. A Notice of Exemption is hereby approved (and is on file with the District's records).
4. Staff is authorized and directed to file a Notice of Exemption at the Clerk's Office (or other authorized place) of San Joaquin County in the manner prescribed by the CEQA.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022 by the following vote:

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

**Item #9 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 22-10-W Approving a Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID and Stockton East Water District; and Adoption of Resolution 22-11-W Approving a California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption**

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Director Spyksma and seconded by Director Kamper to adopt Resolution 22-10-W Approving a Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID and Stockton East Water District, and Resolution 22-11-W Approving a California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption; direct the General Manager to negotiate final terms as directed by the SSJID Board of Directors; authorize the General Manager to sign the agreement; and direct staff to complete all necessary filings and tasks required to effectuate the transfer.

**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION 22-10-W**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT  
BY AND BETWEEN OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT,  
SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AND  
STOCKTON EAST WATER 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**, Stockton East Water District ("SEWD") supplies irrigation, municipal and industrial (M&I) and domestic water to portions of the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Subbasin from a combination of surface water and groundwater sources; and

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**WHEREAS**, this Board of Directors has determined that surplus water is available for temporary transfer during the water year ending September 30, 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the South San Joaquin Irrigation District Board of Directors does hereby approve a water transfer agreement by and between Oakdale Irrigation District, South San Joaquin Irrigation District and Stockton East Water 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022 by the following vote:

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

**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION NO. 22-11-W**

**APPROVAL OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FOR A TEMPORARY WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT  
BY AND BETWEEN OAKDALE IRRIGATION DISTRICT,  
SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, AND  
STOCKTON EAST WATER 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**, Stockton East Water District (“SEWD”) supplies irrigation, municipal and industrial (M&I) and domestic water to portions of the Eastern San Joaquin Groundwater Subbasin from a combination of surface water and groundwater sources; 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**, SSJID adopted Resolution 22-10-W, approving a water transfer agreement by and between OID, SSJID and SEWD for the water year ending September 30, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed transfer (Project) would utilize infrastructure to effectuate the water transfer; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Project has been determined by the Board of Directors to be categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) based on the ongoing operation exemption in 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15261; projects designed to protect the environment (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15307); no change or expansion of existing diversion and pumping facilities (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15301); and on the basis that there is no significant impacts on the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, SSJID and SEWD are located in San Joaquin County and OID is located in both San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties; and

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**WHEREAS**, SSJID is the custodian of the documents or other material which constitute the record of proceedings upon which the Board’s decision is based, and the SSJID Main Office is the location of this record.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by this Board of Directors that:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. The proposed Project has been determined to be categorically exempt from CEQA based on the ongoing operation exemption in 14 Cal. Code Regs. 15261; projects designed to protect the environment (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15307); no change or expansion of existing diversion and pumping facilities (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15301); no negative effect on the environment.
3. A Notice of Exemption is hereby approved (and is on file with the District’s records).
4. Staff is authorized and directed to file a Notice of Exemption at the Clerk’s Office (or other authorized place) of San Joaquin County in the manner prescribed by the CEQA.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022 by the following vote:

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

**Item #12 – ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

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Danielle Barney, Clerk of the Board