

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE  
BROWNS VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
MARCH 22, 2018**

At 5:00pm Vice President Woods called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Browns Valley Irrigation District to order. Directors present were Bordsen, Lowe and Winchester. Director Wheeler was absent. Also in attendance were Manager McNally and Clerk Springsteen.

**1. Minutes:** The Minutes of the March 8, 2018 Regular Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Director Lowe, seconded by Director Bordsen. Directors Lowe, Bordsen, Woods and Winchester ayes, Director Wheeler absent, motion passed.

**2. Public Forum:** None

**3. The Board will receive a presentation from ACWA JPIA.** Tom Cuquet JPIA Executive Committee Director presented a \$28,526.23 refund for 2014-2015 for Liability, Property & Workman’s Compensation.

**4. The Board will receive an update on the appeals court decision surrounding annual fees on State Water Resources Control Board water rights and license holders.** No action taken.

**5. The Board will discuss YCWA’s response to the District’s request to transfer water not transferred in 2017 for the Conserved Water Transfer and provide direction as appropriate.** No action taken.

**6. Manager’s Report:**

**COLLINS LAKE STATUS**

DATE	REMAINING SUPPLY VOLUME	%	LAKE ELEVATION	DIST BELOW SPILL	RELEASES	GEN OUTPUT
<b>TODAY</b>	<b>49,500 AF</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,183.0 FT</b>	<b>0.0 FT</b>	SPILLING	<b>1,053 KW</b>
1 YEAR AGO	49,500 AF	100.0%	1,183.0 FT	0.0 FT	SPILLING	1,055 KW

**STAFF ACTIVITIES**

On March 14, 2018 staff turned on the main generator at the Virginia Ranch Dam, and early March 15, 2018 the lake began spilling and continues to do so.

Staff is constructing replacement paddle wheel and intake screen assemblies on days of inclement weather.

Staff is working on an amendment to the Browns Valley Ridge Agreement that will extend the expiration date into perpetuity until either party wishes to terminate. This is to address the original expiration date of December 31, 2018.

On March 19, 2018, the 2017 DSSMR was submitted to FERC.

On March 20, 2018, YCWA increased flows from New Bullards Bar to 5,000 cfs to accommodate flood storage.

On March 20, 2018, Director Bordsen and the Manager attended a YCWA Committee Meeting regarding Groundwater Substitution Pumping revenue.

## **CURRENT PROJECTS**

### **Cascade Fire**

Work on the flumes is ongoing.

Staff has submitted the arborists report to FEMA and FEMA has conducted their site inspection.

Legal Counsel is working on an updated emergency fiscal policy that will require Board consideration that will be consistent with the receipt of Federal funding.

### **Conserved Water Transfer**

On March 15, 2018 the Manager spoke with Dudley Ridge Water District and confirmed they have a demand for BVID's CWT and are willing to pay "market price" dependent on the Accord negotiation process.

### **Tennessee Ditch Hydro Project**

The application for the CSWRF principal forgiveness loan has been submitted to the SWRCB.

Staff is working with USBR to delay the \$1M grant to see if the District is successful in obtaining the principal forgiveness loan.

### **SB 88**

MBK is petitioning for more time on the District's behalf to install all the required infrastructure consistent with SB 88.

### **Yuba River Diversion**

Staff has received the final CDFW permit for maintenance work at the Yuba River Diversion.

## **PAST MEETINGS**

- 03/12/18 The Operations Manager met with FEMA to inspect the trees scheduled for removal along the Mahle, Finch and BV Main Ditches.
- 03/20/18 Director Bordsen and the Manager attended a YCWA Committee meeting surrounding the Groundwater Substitution Program.
- 03/21/18 The Manager attended a Groundwater Sustainability Meeting at Yuba County.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- 03/28/18 Member Unit Meeting at YCWA (9:00 AM).  
04/04/18 Yuba Accord GWS Meeting in Sacramento (10:00 AM).  
04/12/18 Association of Dam Safety Officials tour of the Virginia Ranch Dam.

## **DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE / OPERATIONS**

- RECENT PROJECTS
1. Continued flume work. Weather has slowed the process temporarily.
  2. Sprayed the District yard and part of the Pumpline Canal.
  3. Continued work on paddlewheel screen boxes.
  4. Picked up some large concrete blocks for a head and tail wall replacement on the Pumpline Canal.
  5. Removed leaves and debris from all of the screen areas.
  6. Removed a large bucket and debris from one of the three culverts that cross Fruitland road near the Hoxworth ranch.
  7. The Freightliner dump truck was repaired. There was a problem with the fuel system causing a loss of power.
- FUTURE PROJECTS
1. Flume repair.
  2. Spray right of ways weather permitting.
  3. Head and tail wall repair on the Pumpline Canal.

### **7. Director's Comments and Reports:** None

### **8. Correspondence:**

- Memo dated March 8, 2018 from DWR regarding Annual Fee Increase

**9. Closed Session:** Conference with real property negotiator involving the Collins Lake Concessionaire Agreement; Director's Lowe and Woods (Concessionaire Committee) and Ryan McNally, District negotiator(s). Instructions to the negotiator(s) may include specific terms of the Agreement. Government Code sections 54954.2 and 54934.5.

**10. Closed Session:** The Board will discuss an employee evaluation involving Directors Bordsen and Lowe (Personnel Committee) and the General Manager; Government Code sections 54954.5 (f) and 54957.6.

**11. Open Session:** The Board will report any action taken in closed session. No action taken.

### **12. Adjournment:**