

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Of the
TEHAMA-COLUSA CANAL AUTHORITY
5513 Hwy 162
WILLOWS, CA 95988
April 1, 2020
09:00 a.m.

NOTICE OF TELECONFERENCE: Pursuant to Executive Order N-25-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 12, 2020, and guidance by the California Department of Public Health dated March 11, 2020, this meeting will be conducted by teleconference. The public may attend the meeting and offer public comments by phone, using the call-in number provided below. Members of the Board will participate by teleconference from other locations.

Teleconference No: 1-866-459-7145 Conference Code: 2977453980

PRESENT:

HALBERT CHARTER*	D	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
SHELLY MURPHY*	A	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
KEVIN HEBREW*	D	CORNING W.D.
MITCH HARDWICK*	D	CORNING W.D.
CHUCK GRIMMER*	D	CORTINA W.D.
JAMIE TRAYNHAM*	A	DAVIS W.D.
DAVID SCHAAD*	D	DUNNIGAN W.D.
BILL VANDERWAAL*	A	DUNNIGAN W.D. [** 11:20am]
WADE MATHIS*	D	4-M W.D.
JOHN AMARO*	D	GCID [** 11:15am]
MIKE ALVES*	D	GLIDE/KANAWHA W.D.
RON LEE*	D	HOLTHOUSE W.D. [** 11:20am]
CERENA LEE*	A	HOLTHOUSE W.D.
ZACH DENNIS*	D	LAGRANDE/WESTSIDE W.D.
JIM JONES*	D	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
EMIL CAVAGNOLO*	A	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
TYLER LALAGUNA*	D	PROBERTA W.D.
DAN RUIZ*	A	WESTSIDE W.D.

DISTRICTS ABSENT:

KIRKWOOD W.D.
THOMES CREEK W.D.

ALSO PRESENT:

JEFF SUTTON*
LISA DICHARRY
ANDREA CLARK*
MEREDITH NICKELL*
RICH ROBERTSON
DON BABB
PETE RUDE
GREG ZLOTNICK

TCCA
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DOWNEY BRAND
DOWNEY BRAND (Closed Session Only)
USBR, WILLOWS
TCCA
JACOBS
LANDOWNER

“*” indicates closed session attendance

“D” indicates designated director “A” indicates designated alternate

** = [recused themselves at item 8c: 11:15 for entire item; 11:20 prior to discussion of price]

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Halbert Charter called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Roll was called and a quorum was declared present for the conduct of business, with 14 Districts represented.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S/C-DENNIS/J.JONES-- UNANIMOUS

To approve the April 1, 2020 Amended Regular Meeting Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Vanderwaal briefly discussed efforts by the SRSCs to pursue grant funding for Sacramento River Restoration Projects.

MONTHLY RE-OCCURRING ITEMS

A. Board Meeting Minutes

M/S/C -J.JONES/ALVES-AYES: H. CHARTER, K. HEBREW, C. GRIMMER, J. TRAYNHAM, D. SCHAAD, W. MATHIS, J. AMARO, M. ALVES, R. LEE, J. JONES AND T. LALAGUNA; NOES: NONE; ABSTAINED: Z. DENNIS; ABSENT: KIRKWOOD W.D. AND THOMES CREEK W.D.

To approve the March 4, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.

B. Treasurer’s Report

M/S/C-SCHAAD/ALVES-UNANIMOUS

To approve the February 2020 Financial Reports as presented.

C. **USBR Report**

Rich Robertson reported on the following: Finalization of Section 215 and Warren Act contract renewals and Warren Act water quality testing protocols.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Operations & Maintenance

- A. Manager Sutton reported on the following O & M activities: Canal road spraying, FEMA Project work, Vegetation removal, Grapevine road repairs and alarming, Meter maintenance and new installations, Canal slope repairs and grading, Canal gate maintenance, Fish Screen/Pumping Plant maintenance, Water deliveries on TC and Corning Canals, Canal water treatment starting in May, Brief shutdown of Corning and Red Bluff Pumping Plants (April 20-24, April 28-29) for PG & E work and Safety meeting reports.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Form 700s/Ethics & Harassment Training

- A. Manager Sutton reminded the board to turn in their Form 700's, typical due date is April 1st, due to COVID-19 the due date has been extended to June 1st. Manager Sutton also reported on free training offered by GRSMA, either in person in April and May or there is an online training option, to fulfill Director Ethics and Sexual Harassment training requirements [the in-person opportunities are likely to be postponed due to the COVID-19 issues].

Discuss and Consider Actions in Response to COVID-19 concerns

- B. Manager Sutton discussed actions taken in response to the COVID-19 circumstance, including social distancing requirements, separation of employee activities, employee training and determination of TCCA services as essential.

Discuss and Consider Resolution No. 2020-02: Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority In-Basin Water Transfers

- C. Manager Sutton discussed the Adoption of the Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration under the California Environmental Quality Act and the Mitigation, Monitoring and Reporting Program for the 2020 TCCA In Basin Water Transfer Program.

M/S/C -SCHAAD/J.JONES-AYES; H. CHARTER, K. HEBREW, C. GRIMMER, J. TRAYNHAM, D. SCHAAD, W. MATHIS, J. AMARO, M. ALVES, R. LEE, Z. DENNIS, J. JONES AND T. LALAGUNA; NOES: NONE; ABSTAINED: NONE; ABSENT: KIRKWOOD W.D. AND THOMES CREEK W.D.

To approve Resolution 2020-02, A Resolution to Adopt 2020 Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority In-Basin Water Transfers as described in the Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration.

Discuss and Consider 2020 Water Transfers

- D. Manager Sutton provided the Board with an update on the current hydrology and pertinent data related to CVP water allocations. He then discussed the need for

water districts to promptly provide the quantities of water they wish to acquire.

WIIN Act Contract Conversion Process

- E. Attorney Clark reported on the status, schedule and next steps related to the process for CVP water districts to convert from 9e to 9d contracts.

Sites Project Authority

- F. Manager Sutton reported on the following: Recruitment and selection of Jerry Brown to serve as the new Sites JPA Executive Director, the results of the Value Planning exercise and likely amendments to the project description, Sites proposed operations update, status of re-balancing process and outreach efforts.

ATTORNEY REPORT

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation [California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] Two Cases:

- A. **State Water Resources Control Board Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan Proceeding**
1. No report.

Pacific Coast Federation of Fisherman's Association et al. v. Ross, N.D. Cal. Case No. 3:19-cv-07897

2. No report.

Conference with Legal Counsel-Anticipated Litigation-Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4): Three Potential Cases

- B. No report.

Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Government Code Section 54956.8)

1. Water Transfers/Purchase of Water
2. Property: Water supply to supplement 2018 CVP allocations
3. Under negotiation: Price, terms and amounts
4. Negotiating parties: TBD

- C. 1. No report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Halbert Charter adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Board Secretary
Jeffrey P. Sutton

Chairman
Halbert Charter