

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
Of the  
**TEHAMA-COLUSA CANAL AUTHORITY**  
5513 Hwy 162  
WILLOWS, CA 95988  
October 6, 2021  
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: 1-646-307-1479    Conference Code: 4561888722**

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**PRESENT:**

HALBERT CHARTER*	D	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
SHELLY MURPHY*	A	COLUSA COUNTY W.D.
KEVIN HEBREW*	D	CORNING W.D.
MITCH HARDWICK*	A	CORNING W.D.
JAMIE TRAYNHAM*	A	DAVIS W.D.
DAVID SCHAAD*	D	DUNNIGAN W.D.
BILL VANDERWAAL*	A	DUNNIGAN W.D.
WADE MATHIS*	D	4-M W.D.
MIKE ALVES*	A	GLIDE/KANAWHA W.D. (left at 11:55AM)
DARIN TITUS*	D	KIRKWOOD W.D.
ZACH DENNIS*	D	LAGRANDE/WESTSIDE W.D.
EMIL CAVAGNOLO*	A	ORLAND-ARTOIS W.D.
TYLER LALAGUNA	D	PROBERTA W.D. (left at 11:00AM)
DAN RUIZ*	A	WESTSIDE W.D.

**DISTRICTS ABSENT:**

CORTINA W.D.  
GCID  
HOLTHOUSE W.D.  
THOMES CREEK W.D.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

JEFF SUTTON*	TCCA
ANDREA CLARK*	DOWNEY BRAND
RICH ROBERTSON	USBR, WILLOWS

LISA HUNTER  
MARY FAHEY  
DON WRIGHT

GLENN COUNTY  
COLUSA COUNTY  
WATER RIGHTS

“\*” indicates closed session attendance

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Zach Dennis called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m.

**DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

Roll was called and a quorum was declared present for the conduct of business with 12 Districts represented.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04 AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE TEHAMA-COLUSA CANAL AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO THE BROWN ACT**

Attorney Clark and Manager Sutton discussed the recently passed legislative requirements related to the Brown Act and continuing eligibility for utilization of teleconferencing for Board Meetings.

**M/S/C-ALVES/TRAYNHAM-UNANIMOUS**

To approve TCCA Board of Directors Resolution No. 2021-04, with a slight edit to the Resolution Title.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**M/S/C-ALVES/TRAYNHAM-UNANIMOUS**

To approve the October 6, 2021 Regular Meeting Agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**MONTHLY RE-OCCURRING ITEMS**

**A. Board Meeting Minutes**

**M/S/C -ALVES/CAVAGNOLO-AYES: K. HEBREW, J. TRAYNHAM, D. SCHAAD, W. MATHIS, M. ALVES, D. TITUS, Z. DENNIS AND E. CAVAGNOLO; NOES: NONE; ABSTAINED: T. LALAGUNA AND H. CHARTER; ABSENT: CORTINA W.D., GCID, HOLTHOUSE W.D. AND THOMES CREEK W.D.**

To approve the September 01, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes.

**B. Treasurer’s Report**

**M/S/C-TRAYNHAM/CAVAGNOLO-UNANIMOUS**

To approve the August 2021 Financial Reports as presented.

**C. USBR Report**

Rich Robertson reported on the following: Execution of the TCCA-USBR OM & R Transfer Agreement; CVP reservoir levels and river operations; Upcoming MP Water Users Reno Conference from Jan. 19-22; Request for submittals to Rich Robertson over the next 2-3 weeks regarding interest and quantities for 2022 WY 215 Contracts; Request for communication about Warren Act well testing requested for this year.

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Operations & Maintenance**

- A. Manager Sutton reported on the following O & M activities: Water deliveries, water quality, Warren Act water coordination, Winter Maintenance efforts starting in November, FPIP inspections, check structure maintenance, facility painting, grading, drain and bathtub cleaning, pump plant maintenance, meter and extensometer calibration/maintenance, fence repairs, safety meetings.

**Meetings/Presentations**

- B. Manager Sutton reported on the following: WEF NorCal Virtual Tour, upcoming December ACWA (Hybrid) Conference, January Water Users Reno Conference, meeting with CA Treasurer Fiona Ma.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Presentation from Respective County GSAs on Status of SGMA Implementation Efforts: Mary Fahey (Colusa); Lisa Hunter (Glenn); Nicole Bethurem (Tehama); Bill Vanderwaal (Yolo)**

- A. County GSA representatives (Mary Fahey, Lisa Hunter, and William Vanderwaal) provided a status update of the various planning, financing, and implementation activities of the respective GSAs in our region.

**Discuss and Consider Groundwater Recharge Proposal(s)**

- B. Director Vanderwaal, Director Murphy, and Director Cavagnolo discussed conceptual proposals for local groundwater recharge projects that may include utilization of TCCA conveyance facilities. The Board directed Manager Sutton to continue to participate and coordinate with the GSAs and other project proponents to discuss, analyze and evaluate TC participation in regard to the proposals.

**Discuss and Consider 2021 Water Transfers**

- C. Manager Sutton discussed status of water transfers, estimated amounts utilized, estimated amounts remaining, coordination and communication as the water transfer opportunity comes to a close on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Discuss and Consider Authorization of GM to Contract with CDM Smith for Preparation of 2022 Water Transfer Program CEQA Documents and Associated Environmental**

**Documents; and to Contract with Participating TC Water Districts for Associated Costs/Responsibility**

- D. Manager Sutton discussed the details of the 2022 Water Transfers document preparation, and requested that all districts wishing to participate to submit a request and their respective level of participation (quantity) by mid-October. Manager Sutton said he would then be sending out contracts to the participating water districts shortly thereafter.

**M/S/C-ALVES/TRAYNHAM-UNANIMOUS**

After board discussion, the Board authorized Manager Sutton to contract with CDM Smith for the preparation of environmental documents to facilitate the TCCA 2022 Water Transfers Program and to contract with the participating TC Water Districts for the associated costs/responsibility.

**Discuss and Consider Resolution Authorizing GM to Contract with WAPA for Red Bluff Switchyard Maintenance**

- E. Manager Sutton reported on ongoing efforts to finalize a proposed agreement with WAPA for electrical maintenance services at the Red Bluff Switchyard.

**Discuss and Consider Draft 2022 TCCA Drought Budget**

- F. Manager Sutton discussed efforts related to preparation of the 2022 Draft TCCA Drought Budget for discussion with the Finance Committee and ultimate presentation at the November Board Meeting.

**Update on WIIN Act Contract Conversion Process**

- G. Attorney Clark provided a legal and procedural update in regard to the WIIN Act contract conversion process.

**Sites Project Authority**

- H. Manager Sutton reported on the following: Budget modifications, Upcoming Work/Finance Plan, WIIN Act Funding, WSIP Feasibility Report, EIS/EIR Release, Permitting efforts, and water rights.

**ATTORNEY REPORT**

**CLOSED SESSION**

[To occur on a Confidential Conf. Call Line provided to the TCCA Board of Directors and appropriately identified staff]

**Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code Section 54957)**

**Title: General Manager**

- A. No report.

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

**State Water Resources Control Board Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan Proceeding**

- B. 1. No report.

**PCFFA v. Ross (USDC E.D. Cal. Case No. 1:20-cv-00431-DAD-SAB) [2019 BiOps Lawsuit]**  
**3:19-cv-07897**

2. No report.

**CNRA v. Ross (USDC E.D. Cal. No. 1:20-cv-00426-DAD-SKO) [2019 BiOps Lawsuit]**

3. No report.

**TCCA v. CA DWR (Superior Court of CA, County of Fresno, awaiting assignment of Case No.) [2020 CEQA Lawsuit]**

4. No report.

**Conference with Legal Counsel- Anticipated Litigation: Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(2): One Potential Case**

C. No report.

**Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Government Code Section 54956.8)**

1. Water Transfers/Purchase of Water
2. Property: Water Supply to Supplement 2021 and future CVP Allocations
3. Under Negotiation: Price, Terms and Amounts
4. Negotiating Parties: Manager Sutton, Directors Dennis, Mathis, Cavagnolo and Alves  
[Note: Director Amaro and Traynham left the meeting at the onset of this discussion]

D. No report.

**OPEN SESSION**

The board tabled Closed Session Item A [Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code Section 54957)] until the November 3, 2021 regular board meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Zach Dennis adjourned the meeting at 12:35 PM.

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Board Secretary  
Jeffrey P. Sutton

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