

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, December 18, 2013 – 8:30 a.m.

CCID Main Office, 1335 West I Street, Los Banos, California

Notice: One or more Directors may attend the meeting by conference call. The speaker phone will be available to the public in the Board meeting room. If a conference call occurs, all votes will be conducted by roll call.

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review of Agenda

The Board will consider corrections or additions to the agenda of items requiring immediate action that have come to the attention of the District following the posting of the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of November 27, 2013

4. Water Report and Informational Items

- a. Four Entities Watermaster's report on reservoir storage and water supply outlook
- b. CCID water operations
- c. Update of various studies and issues

5. Public Participation

At this time, members of the public may address the Board on matters that are not on the agenda, which affect the operations of the District and are within the jurisdiction of the Board. The President may limit the time allowed for comment. (Members of the public may also address the Board on any matter on the agenda, when that item is brought up.)

6. On-Farm Water Conservation Project(s)

One or more on-farm conservation projects that have previously received preliminary approval from the Water Conservation Policy Committee will be described and the Board will be asked to approve incentive grants and/or loans for the projects, and to authorize the President and Secretary to sign the loan papers on behalf of the District.

7. License Agreement – PG&E Overhead Electrical Line

In order to provide electrical service to a well being acquired by the District, PG&E needs to cross the Santa Rita Canal, east of Dos Palos. The power line is to run parallel with the Santa Rita Canal for approximately 600 feet, connecting to an existing pole within the right-of-way of CCID's Poso Canal. All provisions of the proposed license agreement meet the District's standard legal and engineering requirements. The Board will be asked to approve a license agreement covering the portion of the new line that will traverse the Poso Canal right-of-way, and to authorize the President and Secretary to execute the document on behalf of the District.

8. Approval of November 2013 Warrants

9. Monthly Financial Report

The Secretary will present figures through the end of November for water sales, revenues and expenses in comparison to the 2013 budget, receivables, investments, and the reserve funds for water conservation loans and projects. No Board action is expected.

10. Memorandum of Understanding with Employees' Association

A meet-and-confer session was held on December 11 with representatives of the CCID Employees' Association, and the Board will be asked to ratify a Memorandum of Understanding Governing Wages, Hours and Terms and Conditions of Employment for 2014.

11. Proposed 2014 CCID Budget and Water Rates

On November 27, staff presented a draft of the proposed 2014 Budget and Water Rates, which the Board took under advisement at the time. Staff is proposing only minor revisions to the original draft proposal. The Board will be asked to approve the 2014 budget and water rate proposals, either as presented or with modifications. Specifically, the presentation will include these items:

- a. Proposed 2014 water rates and allocations, based on a Normal Year supply, along with authorization for staff to proceed if necessary with the appropriate steps to conduct a protest election under the provisions of Proposition 218.
- b. Proposed 2014 general District budget.
- c. Anticipated revenues and expenditures for the CCID Water Conservation Projects Fund in 2014, with a ten-year cash flow projection for the Fund, from 2014 through 2023. *[Informational only]*

12. Legal and Four-Entities Matters

General Counsel, the Executive Director and the Manager will discuss with the Board current issues affecting the Exchange Contractors and CCID. Board action may be requested on any of these matters.

13. Miscellaneous Business

At this time, Board members and staff may discuss matters that are not on the agenda which may affect operations of the District. No Board action is expected to be taken.

14. Closed Session

- a. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Instructions to the Four Entities’ Transfer Committee for the transfer of water.
- b. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Instructions to staff with respect to acquisition of property to be utilized for the new Poso Reservoir and East Ditch Reservoir.
- c. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Litigation – CCID/Firebaugh Canal Water District v. United States (Drainage litigation).
- d. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – San Joaquin River Restoration, including NRDC v. Rodgers, et al.
- e. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – SWRCB proceedings regarding salinity, San Joaquin River flows, State and Federal ESA as applied to Delta smelt, longfin smelt, steelhead and salmon.
- f. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Regional Board adoption of upstream salinity TMDL standards.
- g. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.

15. Adjournment